

MINUTES
153RD MEETING
OF
THE CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL
HELD AT 2.10 PM ON WEDNESDAY 22 APRIL 1998

PRESENT: The Mayor, Ms Vicki Buck (Chairperson).
Councillors Oscar Alpers, Carole Anderton, Graham Berry, David Buist, David Close, Graham Condon, David Cox, Anna Crighton, Newton Dodge, Carole Evans, Gordon Freeman, Ishwar Ganda, Pat Harrow, Ian Howell, Alister James, Lesley Keast, Charles Manning, Garry Moore, Margaret Murray, Denis O'Rourke, Gail Sheriff, Barbara Stewart and Ron Wright.

APOLOGIES: An apology for absence was received and accepted from Councillor Morgan Fahey.
An apology for lateness was received and accepted from Councillor Gordon Freeman who arrived at 2.30 pm.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF 25 MARCH 1998

Resolved: That the minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday 25 March 1998 be confirmed.

ANNUAL PLAN MEETING OF 26 MARCH 1998

Resolved: That the minutes of the Council meeting held on Thursday 26 March 1998 be adopted, subject to the voting regarding the Centennial Pool naming rights on page 5 of the minutes being amended by inserting the name of Councillor Crighton in place of Councillor Cox in the list of the five Councillors voting for the amendment.

2. SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

The Mayor referred to the following supplementary items which had been separately circulated or tabled at the meeting:

- City Manager's report on Lancaster Park.
- Legal Services Manager's public excluded report on threatened litigation by the Canterbury Regional Council.
- Heritage Sub-Committee's report of 20 April 1998.

The Mayor advised that it had not been possible to send these items out with the agenda, because they were not available at that time, but that it was essential they be dealt with at the present meeting, rather than being deferred to a subsequent meeting.

It was **resolved** that the three supplementary items be received and considered at the present meeting.

3. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

Parking for New Art Gallery

Submissions were made by Dr Paddy Austin, the Director of the Arts Centre of Christchurch, requesting that 320 car parking spaces be adopted for concept design purposes for the new art gallery.

It was **resolved** that the submissions be considered in conjunction with clause 2 of the report of the Strategy and Resources Committee.

(2.30 pm Councillor Freeman arrived)

4. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Baker Street: North New Brighton

Councillor Close tabled a petition from residents of Baker Street in North New Brighton, asking for carriageway remedial work to be carried out to correct the road camber.

It was **resolved** that the petition be referred to the City Services Committee.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

Progressive Processing for Local Authority Elections

A letter was received from the Canterbury Regional Council expressing its support for the use of progressive processing for the 1998 elections, and requesting the City Council to reconsider its stance on this issue.

It was **resolved** that the letter be considered in conjunction with the report on this topic by the Chairman of the Strategy and Resources Committee.

6. REPORT OF THE STRATEGY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE OF 14 APRIL 1998

Moved: That the Committee's report be adopted.

(1) New Art Gallery - Design Competition

Adopted.

It was **resolved** further that the sum of \$150,000 be referred for possible inclusion in the 1998 Annual Plan for the holding of a two stage architectural design competition, to cover prize money, honorariums and disbursements.

(Note: Councillor O'Rourke requested that his vote against the adoption of the foregoing resolution be recorded.)

(2) Art Gallery Parking

(3.35 pm Councillor Moore retired)

Councillor Alpers moved by way of amendment "*That 320 car parking spaces be adopted for concept design purposes for the new art gallery, and that recommendations 1 and 4 made by the Committee be deleted accordingly*". The amendment was seconded by Councillor Sheriff and when put to the meeting was declared **carried** on division no 1 by 15 votes to 7, the voting being as follows:

For (15): Councillors Alpers, Anderton, Berry, Buist, Condon, Crighton, Dodge, Evans, Ganda, Harrow, Howell, Murray, Sheriff, Stewart and the Mayor.

Against (7): Councillors Close, Cox, Freeman, James, O'Rourke and Wright.

Abstain: Councillor Keast.

Absent: Councillors Fahey and Moore.

(4.12 pm Councillor Moore returned)

Recommendation 5 made by the Committee relating (inter alia) to the free use of the tram at weekends was put separately and declared **carried** on division no 2 by 12 votes to 10, the voting being as follows:

For (12): Councillors Anderton, Close, Condon, Evans, Ganda, James, Keast, Manning, Moore, O'Rourke, Stewart and Wright.

Against (10): Councillors Alpers, Berry, Buist, Cox, Dodge, Freeman, Harrow, Howell, Murray and Sheriff.

Abstain: Councillor Crighton and the Mayor.

Absent: Councillor Fahey.

Recommendation 6 made by the Committee was also put separately, and declared **carried**.

(Recommendations 1 and 4 were replaced by the foregoing amendments, with the remaining recommendations 2, 3, 5 and 6 being adopted without alteration.)

(8) Review of Council Processes and Structures

Adopted.

It was also **resolved** that the working party comprise such members of the Strategy and Resources Committee who are available and wish to join the working party.

**(10) The Multilateral Agreement on Investment:
Potential Impact on New Zealand and Christchurch**

Recommendations 1, 4, 5 and 6 were all adopted without amendment.

It was **resolved** that recommendations 2 and 3 be amended to provide:

2. *That a watching brief be kept on the implications of the effects of the MAI or similar projects on NZ and Christchurch City.*
3. *That the Council express its support for the position of Local Government New Zealand regarding this document, as set out in the Association's letter of 30 March 1998.*

Report adopted as amended.

**7. REPORT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE STRATEGY AND RESOURCES
COMMITTEE ON PROGRESSIVE COUNTING FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY
ELECTIONS**

The associated letter from the Regional Council dated 16 April 1998 was also considered in conjunction with this report.

It was **resolved**:

1. That the Christchurch City Council support the SOLGM sponsored effort to obtain legislative change to permit the progressive counting of returned voting papers, as an option to be adopted at the discretion of individual councils at each election.
2. That in the event of the required amending legislation being adopted in time for the 1998 elections, and subject also to the legislation allowing individual local authorities to prescribe the period (if any) during which progressive counting is to be employed, then progressive counting be employed from 9.00 am onwards in respect of the 1998 Christchurch City Elections, ie three hours prior to the close of the poll at 12 noon on election day.

**8. REPORT OF EMERGENCY MEETING OF THE
PROJECTS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE OF 6 APRIL 1998**

Resolved: That the Committee's report be adopted.

**9. REPORT OF THE PROJECTS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE
OF 9 APRIL 1998**

Resolved: That the Committee's report be adopted.

**10. REPORT OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PROJECTS AND
PROPERTY COMMITTEE OF 17 APRIL 1998**

Resolved: That the Committee's report be adopted.

11. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

(1) Lancaster Park

Adopted, subject to the Lancaster Park Sub-Committee referred to in recommendation 1 being expanded to include Councillors Margaret Murray and Gail Sheriff.

**12. REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE
OF 9 APRIL 1998**

Moved: That the Committee's report be adopted.

(1) Options for Protecting Trees in the City

Councillor Manning moved by way of amendment *"That a consultative process be commenced with builders, developers, landscape architects and landscape gardeners to develop practical and legally viable proposals for the retention of existing trees and the planting of additional trees in new developments and that the items listed in the report be part of that process."*

The amendment was seconded by Councillor Close and when put to the meeting was declared **carried** as the substantive motion.

Report adopted as amended.

**13. REPORT OF THE CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE
OF 7 APRIL 1998**

Moved: That the Committee's report be adopted.

(1) Deputation by Appointment: NZ Fire Service

Adopted.

It was **resolved**, further that prior to final adoption of the 1998/99 Annual Plan, the Council investigate the cost of installing smoke detectors throughout Christchurch in conjunction with the NZ Fire Service and/or other appropriate agencies.

(2) Waimakariri Employment Park Sewer Connection to City

It was **resolved** that the recommendation shown in this clause be adopted, subject to:

- The reference to “square metres” in the recommendation being corrected to “cubic metres”.
- It being indicated to the applicant that the Council is prepared to reconsider this issue should it become the subject of a request from the Waimakariri District Council.

(4) Co-Ordinating Committee for Traffic Safety

Received.

It was **resolved** further that the City Services Committee be requested to pursue with the Traffic Safety Co-ordinating Committee the possibility of altering the present policies regarding the location of speed cameras, to allow them to be shifted to priority areas.

(7) Advertising on Bus Shelters - Assignment of Agreement

Adopted, subject to the reference in the recommendation to APN being corrected to Adshel NZ Limited.

Arising from a request by Councillor Stewart, it was also agreed that the staff investigate the possibility of placing bus route maps in bus shelters.

**(8) Contract No 97/98-243
General Carriageway Maintenance Area 3**

Adopted.

It was **resolved** further on the motion of Councillor Alpers, seconded by Councillor Murray *“That the City Streets Manager report to the Strategy and Resources Committee on a possible review of the weighted attribute method of assessing tenders, to allow greater flexibility in the assessment of tenders for such work”*.

(10) Crime Prevention Camera System - Update

It was **resolved** that the deputation to meet with the Regional Commander of Police comprise Councillors Margaret Murray, Newton Dodge, Ron Wright and Carole Evans.

(14) Riccarton Road Traffic Management Plan

It was **resolved** that the decisions contained in this clause be adopted, subject to resolution 4 being amended to read *“That a bus priority lane running east and west from the approaches to and from the roundabout on Riccarton Road be investigated as part of the redevelopment”*.

(15) Maidstone Road/Waimairi Road Intersection Wadeley Road - Traffic Management

Received.

It was **resolved** that this clause also be referred to the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board for information.

Report adopted as amended.

(Note: Councillor O’Rourke retired from consideration of clause 3 of the report, and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.)

**14. REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE
OF 6 APRIL 1998**

Resolved: That the Committee’s report be adopted.

**15. REPORT OF THE CENTRAL CITY COMMITTEE
OF 2 APRIL 1998**

Resolved: That the Committee’s report be adopted.

(7.00 pm Councillor Moore retired)

**16. REPORT OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE
OF 8 APRIL 1998**

Moved: That the Committee’s report be adopted.

(4) Ascot Golf Course Driving Range

Adopted, subject to the deletion of condition 1 (the consent of the Overseas Investment Commission having been obtained).

Report adopted as amended.

(Note: Councillors Close and Evans requested that their votes against the adoption of clause 4 of the report be recorded.)

**17. REPORT OF THE RECOVERED MATERIALS SPECIAL COMMITTEE
OF 8 APRIL 1998**

Resolved: That the Committee's report be received.

(7.28 pm Councillor Moore returned)

**18. REPORT OF THE HERITAGE SUB-COMMITTEE
OF 20 APRIL 1998**

Resolved: That the Sub-Committee's report be adopted.

19. REPORTS OF THE BURWOOD/PEGASUS COMMUNITY BOARD

SPECIAL MEETING OF 17 FEBRUARY 1998

Resolved: That the Board's report be received.

MEETING OF 6 APRIL 1998

Resolved: That the Board's report be adopted.

**20. REPORT OF THE FENDALTON/WAIMAIRI COMMUNITY BOARD
OF 31 MARCH 1998**

Resolved: That the Board's report be adopted.

**21. REPORT OF THE HAGLEY/FERRYMEAD COMMUNITY BOARD
OF 1 APRIL 1998**

Resolved: That the Board's report be adopted.

22. REPORTS OF THE RICCARTON/WIGRAM COMMUNITY BOARD

EMERGENCY MEETING OF 20 MARCH 1998

Resolved: That the Board's report be received.

MEETING OF 1 APRIL 1998

Resolved: That the Board's report be received.

**23. REPORT OF THE SHIRLEY/PAPANUI COMMUNITY BOARD
OF 1 APRIL 1998**

Resolved: That the Board's report be received.

**24. REPORT OF THE SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARD
OF 7 APRIL 1998**

Moved: That the Board's report be adopted.

(29) Proposed Right of Way Names

Received.

It was **resolved** that the overall policy framework for the approval of names for new streets, roads and rights of way be reviewed by the Environmental Committee.

Report adopted as amended.

25. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

It was **resolved** that the resolution to exclude the public set out in the pink sheet attached to the agenda be adopted, subject to the incorporation of the further resolution to exclude accompanying the tabled report by the Legal Services Manager on threatened litigation by the Canterbury Regional Council regarding City Plan hearings, such report being considered with the public excluded pursuant to the provisions of section 7(2)(g) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, relating to the maintenance of legal professional privilege.

CONFIRMED THIS 27TH DAY OF MAY 1998

MAYOR