8. NEW BRIGHTON CAR PARK SPECIAL FUND

The Community Advocate reported on the decision made at the 25 March 1999 Council meeting to reallocate \$23,500 from the New District Playground Funds and \$50,000 from the New Brighton Car Park Special Fund to the Pier Landscape Plan. The Board expressed its frustration at the lack of consultation on this decision, and expressed the view that the Council had ignored its own Seeking Community Views Policy. Councillor James stated that the Annual Plan was a contract with the community and that it had been ignored in this instance. The Board therefore **decided:**

- 1. To request the City Manager to investigate and report to the Board on the lack of community consultation, in terms of Council policy and referral to the Community Board, on the reallocation of funds to the New Brighton Park/Pier Landscape Plan, and in particular:
 - (a) Deletion of Annual Plan provision for the District Playground Fund, New Brighton Foreshore Children's Playground, New Installation and Reallocation, and Pier Landscaping.
 - (b) Reallocation of the \$50,000 Car Park Fund possibly funded by special rates levied upon New Brighton commercial ratepayers.
 - (c) Failure to prepare the landscape plan within Annual Plan provisions.
 - (d) Action that he will implement to ensure the Parks Unit will give effect to Council policy on public consultation and the terms of reference relating to Community Boards.
- 2. That the Chairperson and Alister James meet with the City Manager to discuss the concerns of the community and Community Board.
- 3. That the Board make a submission to the Annual Plan process requesting the reallocation of funds to the New Brighton playgrounds.
- 4. That the Parks Unit present the New Brighton Beach Park Landscape Plan to the Board's May meeting.
- 5. That the New Brighton District Business Association be informed of the Board's resolutions.