

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL
HELD AT 9.00AM ON FRIDAY 2 JULY 1999

PRESENT: The Mayor, Garry Moore (Chairperson).
Councillors Carole Anderton, Paddy Austin, Erin Baker, Sally Buck,
David Buist, David Close, Barry Corbett, Anna Crighton, Carole Evans,
Ishwar Ganda, Pat Harrow, Lesley Keast, Denis O'Rourke, Gail Sheriff,
Barbara Stewart, Sally Thompson, Sue Wells and Ron Wright

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors
Robin Booth, Graham Condon, Morgan Fahey, Ian Howell, Alister James
and Charles Manning.

An apology for lateness was received and accepted from Councillor
Paddy Austin.

**1. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER ON THE COMMISSION'S REPORT ON
COMMUNITY AREAS AND WARDS WITHIN CHRISTCHURCH**

The Mayor opened the meeting noting that Councillors had attended a seminar briefing
and presentation on the Commissioners' report on 29 June 1999.

It was moved by Councillor Buist seconded by Councillor Stewart that the five
recommendations contained in the City Manager's report be submitted for discussion.

Councillor O'Rourke moved by way of amendment "*That it be noted that the
Commissioners' recommendation is not a recommendation of the Council which has
not expressed a view for or against the option and that this be clearly stated to the
public*". The amendment was seconded by Councillor Sheriff and when put to the
meeting was declared **lost**.

Councillor Close moved by way of amendment "*That it be noted that the Council has
not expressed a view for or against the Commission's recommended Option VIII*". The
amendment was seconded by Councillor O'Rourke and when put to the meeting was
declared **lost**.

Councillor Crighton moved by way of further amendment "*That the report of the
Commissioners on the community areas and wards within Christchurch be received*".
The amendment was seconded by Councillor Evans and when put to the meeting was
declared **carried**.

Councillor Close moved by way of further amendment:

“1. That recommendation 1 of the City Manager be amended to read:

‘That the techniques for seeking community views outlined above be adopted subject to all publicity and explanatory material setting out clearly:

(a) The option recommended by the local Commissioners.

(b) The current ward system’.

2. That recommendation 3 of the City Manager be amended to read:

‘That the consultation process be focused on seeking a clear expression of preference as between the option recommended by the local Commissioners and the current ward system’

3. That the City Manager’s recommendation be amended by the addition of

‘That information and attitudes be sought on the implications of moving from the current pattern of boundaries to the pattern proposed by the local Commissioners (deleting reference to names).’”

Note: In debate on this amendment Councillor Close agreed to withdraw the reference to the deletion of ward names.

It was agreed also that the proposed consultative process recommended by the City Manager would be amended to include residents/stakeholders group meetings at all service centres.

These amendments were seconded by Councillor Buist.

Following discussion on the proposed amendments the Mayor put separately to the meeting the recommendations of the City Manager as amended by Councillor Close.

Recommendation 1 - Adopted as amended.

Recommendation 2 - Adopted.

Recommendation 3 - Adopted as amended.

New recommendation 4 “That information and attitudes be sought on the implications of moving from the current pattern of boundaries to the pattern proposed by the local Commissioners” - Adopted.

New recommendation 5 “That in the process of seeking the views of the public, under the Council’s seeking community views policy, views on the names of the proposed community and ward areas be sought” - Adopted.

City Manager’s recommendation 4 - This recommendation when put to the meeting as a motion was declared **lost**.

City Manager's recommendation 5 - The City Manager advised that since the preparation of the report for the Council he had received correspondence from the Local Government Commission. The Commission had requested that the City Council consult with the Banks Peninsula District Council in formulating its final submission on the proposed ward and community boundaries in the existing city area and in preparing any other comments regarding matters relating to the proposed united district.

Councillor Evans moved by way of amendment "*That in view of the request of the Local Government Commission the City Manager's recommendation 5 be withdrawn*". The amendment was seconded by Councillor Sheriff and when put to the meeting was declared **carried**.

The motion as amended below was then put to the meeting and declared **carried**:

1. That the techniques for seeking community views as outlined in the City Manager's report be adopted subject to all publicity and explanatory material setting out clearly:
 - (a) The option recommended by the local Commissioners.
 - (b) The current ward system.
2. That up to \$10,000 be made available from the contingency for research on this matter.
3. That the consultation process be focused on seeking a clear expression of preference as between the option recommended by the local Commissioners and the current ward system.
4. That information and attitudes be sought on the implications of moving from the current pattern of boundaries to the pattern proposed by the local Commissioners.
5. That in the process of seeking the views of the public, under the Council's seeking community views policy, views on the names for the proposed community and ward areas be sought.

Councillor Evans moved "*That the thanks and appreciation of the Council be extended to the Commissioners for a task well done*". The motion was seconded by Councillor Austin and declared **carried** by acclamation.

2. CONCLUSION

The meeting concluded at 10.45am.

CONFIRMED THIS 22ND DAY OF JULY 1999

MAYOR