

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL  
HELD AT 12 NOON ON THURSDAY 26 AUGUST 1999**

**PRESENT:** The Mayor, Garry Moore (Chairperson).  
Councillors Carole Anderton, Paddy Austin, Erin Baker, Robin Booth,  
Sally Buck, David Buist, David Close, Graham Condon, Barry Corbett,  
Anna Crighton, Carole Evans, Ishwar Ganda, Pat Harrow, Alister James,  
Lesley Keast, Charles Manning, Gail Sheriff, Barbara Stewart,  
Sally Thompson, Sue Wells and Ron Wright.

**APOLOGIES:** An apology for lateness was received and accepted from Councillor  
Erin Baker, who arrived at 12.55pm.  
Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors  
Ian Howell and Denis O'Rourke.

**LEAVE OF  
ABSENCE:** Councillor Morgan Fahey.

**1. DEPUTATION BY APPOINTMENT**

**SUBMISSIONS ON BEHALF OF TIM BARNETT, MP**

Ms Kimberley Woods made submissions on behalf of Tim Barnett, MP, expressing support for the retention of the existing ward and community boundaries.

It was **resolved** that the submissions be considered in conjunction with the report of the City Manager.

**2. REVIEW OF COMMUNITY AND WARD BOUNDARIES**

Consideration was given to a report by the City Manager, a letter dated 20 August 1999 from the Banks Peninsula District Council and a schedule incorporating the 36 further submissions which had been received regarding this issue as a result of the latest round of public consultation.

Councillor Austin moved "*That the recommendations contained in the City Manager's report be adopted*". The motion was seconded by Councillor Harrow.

(12.55 pm Councillor Baker arrived)

Councillor Close moved by way of amendment:

- “1. That the Council informs the Local Government Commission that it cannot support the proposal of the local commissioners in view of the well-argued objections raised against it in the submissions.*
- 2. That the Council states its clear preference for the status quo in view of the support in the submissions.*
- 3. That the Council provide a summary of the arguments, based on the submissions received, including:*
  - (a) The confusing effect of change for the public.*
  - (b) The disruption of established residents’ groups and established patterns of co-operation.*
  - (c) The perception that the proposed new boundaries, whilst joining some communities of interest, divide other obvious communities.*
  - (d) The advantages of retaining as much commonality of boundaries as possible with NZ Police, Work and Income New Zealand, and parliamentary electorates.*
  - (e) The unproven case for a community of interest between the central business district, the central city and a circle of inner suburbs, and the disruptive effect on adjacent communities of attempting to establish a central ward.*
- 4. That the Council draw to the attention of the Local Government Commission the overwhelming support in the submissions and in the report of the local commissioners for the patterns of community boards and service centres, decentralised decision-making, and decentralised service delivery developed since 1989.*
- 5. That the Council ask officers to report on minor boundary adjustments requested in the submissions and the manner in which they could be accommodated, with a view to a supplementary submission to the Local Government Commission.*
- 6. That the local commissioners’ reports along with this report, copies of the attached submissions and earlier submissions be forwarded to the Local Government Commission to provide background and assist in its determination.*
- 7. That in view of the possibility of an amalgamation with Banks Peninsula, the Council supports the proposal of the local commissioners to incorporate the Lyttelton Harbour Basin into Ferrymead Ward and establish a single ward for the balance of Banks Peninsula.”*

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

(Note: Councillors Corbett, Harrow and Wells requested the recording of their votes against clause 7 of the amendment.)

### **3. CONCLUSION**

The meeting concluded at 1.15 pm.

**CONFIRMED THIS 23RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER 1999**

**MAYOR**