3. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S 2010/11 DISCRETIONARY RESPONSE FUND – COMMUNITY ART EXHIBITION

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is for the Committee to consider an application for funding, from the Board's 2010/11 Discretionary Response Fund, from the Burnside Elim Church to stage a community art exhibition.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- In 2010/11, the total pool available for allocation for the Board's Discretionary Response Fund is \$51,197. The Discretionary Response Fund opens each year on 1 July and closes on 30 June the following year, or when all funds are expended.
- 3. The purpose of the fund is to assist community groups where the project and funding request falls outside other council funding criteria and/or closing dates. This fund is also for emergency funding for unforeseen situations.
- 4. At its meeting on 22 April 2010, the Council resolved to change the criteria and delegations around the local Discretionary Response Fund.
- 5. The change in criteria limited the items that the local Discretionary Response Fund does not cover to only:
 - (a) Legal challenges or Environment Court challenges against the Council, Council Controlled Organisations or Community Boards decisions;
 - (b) Projects or initiatives that change the scope of a Council project; and
 - (c) Projects or initiatives that will lead to ongoing operational costs to the Council.
- 6. The Council also made a note that: "Community Boards can recommend to the Council for consideration grants under (b) and (c)."
- 7. Based on these criteria, the application from Burnside Elim Church for a community art exhibition is eligible for funding as the project will take place outside the dates of the Creative Communities Fund which is the usual source of funds for all arts based projects. Subsequent events will be submitted to this fund for consideration.
- 8. Detailed information on the application and staff comments are included in the **attached** Decision Matrix.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

9. There is currently \$41,197 remaining in the Board's 2010/11 Discretionary Response Fund.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2009-19 LTCCP budgets?

10. Yes, see page 184 of the LTCCP regarding community grants schemes including Board funding.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

11. There are no legal considerations.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

12. Aligns with LTCCP and Activity Management Plans, page 172 and 176.

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2009-19 LTCCP?

13. Yes, see LTCCP pages 176 and 177 regarding community grants schemes, including Board funding.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

14. Refer to the attached Decision Matrix.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

15. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Community Services Committee recommend that the Board approve a grant of \$2,000 from its 2010/11 Discretionary Response Fund to Burnside Elim Church towards the cost of staging a community art exhibition.