24. CHRISTCHURCH CITY HOLDINGS LIMITED STATEMENT OF INTENT REVISED DIVIDEND FORECAST

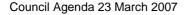
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PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1. The purpose of this report is to advise the Council of a revised dividend forecast from Christchurch City Holdings Limited for the financial year commencing 1 July 2007.
- 2. That the Council consider, in addition to the information regarding the revised dividend forecast, whether it wishes to make any comments on the attached draft Statement of Intent from Christchurch City Holdings Limited.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 3. At its meeting on 1 March 2007 the Council considered a report recommending the adoption of the Statement of Intent with Christchurch City Holdings Limited for the year ending 30 June 2008. A copy of the draft Statement of Intent is attached.
- 4. The Council was advised in that report that the Council has until 30 April 2007 to make comments on the draft Statement of Intent, and that Christchurch City Holdings Limited must then deliver the completed Statement of Intent to the Council by 30 June 2007.
- 5. The Council, at that meeting, did not decide on whether or not it wished to make any comments on the draft Statement of Intent.
- 6. The Council did resolve:
 - (a) That the Council request Christchurch City Holdings Limited to increase the dividend in accordance with the Council's resolution of 27 February 2007.
 - (b) That the Council request Christchurch City Holdings Limited to consider the foregoing request, and report back to the Council prior to the Council's adoption of the Draft Annual Plan on 23 March 2007.
- 7. Attached is a letter dated 21 March 2007 from Christchurch City Holdings Limited advising that Christchurch City Holdings Limited has considered the Council's request to Christchurch City Holdings Limited to increase the dividend.
- 8. Christchurch City Holdings Limited advises that it has amended its forecast dividend to provide for an increase in future dividends by \$2M each year.
- 9. Christchurch City Holdings Limited now requests the Council to acknowledge that it has met the Council's request for an increased level of dividends.
- 10. This report has come to the Council as a supplementary to its meeting on 23 March 2007 as Christchurch City Holdings Limited has met within the two-working day timeframe for reports to be provided to Councillors, and as the Council specifically requested this information to be provided to it in time for its meeting on 23 March 2007.
- 11. Although the Christchurch City Holdings Limited advice meets the Council resolution of 1 March 2007 regarding an increased dividend, the Council has not yet made any decision on whether or not to make comments on other aspects of the Christchurch City Holdings Limited draft Statement of Intent and the Council may be minded to decide on 23 March 2007 that it does not wish to make any other comments, or that it wishes to give further consideration to this aspect before the required deadline of 30 April 2007.



STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended:

- (a) That the Council consider whether or not it wishes to make any comments on the attached draft Statement of Intent from Christchurch City Holdings Limited.
- (b) That, if the Council has no comments to make, it adopt the draft Statement of Intent.
- (c) That the Council acknowledge that Christchurch City Holdings Limited has delivered a Statement of Intent that meets its request for an increased level of dividends.