

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL HELD AT 9.30AM ON FRIDAY 10 JUNE 2011

PRESENT: The Mayor, Bob Parker (Chairperson).

Councillors Helen Broughton, Sally Buck, Ngaire Button, Tim Carter, Jimmy Chen, Barry Corbett, Jamie Gough, Aaron Keown, Glenn Livingstone, Yani Johanson,

Claudia Reid and Sue Wells.

1. APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Chrissie Williams.

It was **resolved** on the motion of the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Button, that the apologies be accepted.

The Mayor opened the meeting at 9.30 and then adjourned the meeting at 9.31am. The meeting resumed at 10.56am.

3. RESOLUTION TO BE PASSED - SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

It was **resolved** on the motion of the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Button, that the supplementary report on the Draft Annual Plan 2011/12 be received and considered at the meeting of the Council on 9 and 10 June 2011.

2. DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2011/12

The Mayor moved, seconded by Councillor Button, that the Council:

- 1. (a) Approve the rates requirement of \$287,263,476 (net of GST) for the year 2011/12.
 - (b) Approve the draft Annual Plan 2011/12 for consultation.
 - (c) Adopt the following timetable for public notification:
 - Publication in "The Star", "The Press" and on the Council's website Saturday 11 June 2011.
 - closing date for written feedback is 9.00 am on Monday 27 June 2011.
 - Council meeting to formally adopt the Annual Plan 2011/12 held on Wednesday 29 June and Thursday 30 June 2011.
 - (d) Authorise the General Manager Corporate Services to make any necessary amendments to the documents referred to in this resolution.

Changes to Capital Programme

Councillor Gough moved by way of amendment that item 23, page 34, Library Renewal and Replacement Content Capital Project be reduced by a 15 per cent being \$662,000.

The amendment was seconded by Councillor Keown and when put to the meeting was declared **lost** on division No. 1 by 2 votes to 11, the voting being as follows:

For (2): Councillors Gough and Keown.

Against (11): Councillors Broughton, Buck, Button, Carter, Chen, Corbett, Johanson,

Livingstone, Reid, Wells and the Mayor.

Councillor Chen moved by way of amendment that item 48, page 35 Fixed R & R Playground Renewal Wigram Playground \$66,000 be included in the 2011/12 draft annual plan.

The amendment was seconded by Councillor Broughton and when put to the meeting was declared **lost** on division No. 2 by 3 votes to 10, the voting being as follows:

For (3): Councillors Broughton, Chen and Johanson.

Against (10): Councillors Buck, Button, Carter, Corbett, Gough, Keown, Livingstone,

Reid, Wells and the Mayor.

Councillor Keown moved by way of amendment that item 71 on page 35 - Real Time Information (RTI) System Renewal \$133,000 be moved from the recommended draft Annual Plan and be deferred for further consideration.

The amendment was seconded by Councillor Johanson and when put to the meeting was declared **lost** on division No. 3 by 4 votes to 9, the voting being as follows:

For (3): Councillors Corbett, Gough, Johanson and Keown.

Against (10): Councillors Broughton, Buck, Button, Carter, Chen, Livingstone, Reid,

Wells and the Mayor.

Councillor Broughton moved by way of amendment that project No. 108 Bradshaw Terrace Kerb and Channel Renewal \$23,000 be included in the draft Annual Plan.

The amendment was seconded by Councillor Chen and when put to the meeting was declared **lost** on division No. 4 by 2 votes to 11, the voting being as follows:

For (2): Councillors Broughton and Chen.

Against (11): Councillors Buck, Button, Carter, Corbett, Gough, Johanson, Keown,

Livingstone, Reid, Wells and the Mayor.

Councillor Keown moved by way of amendment that project 182 Gym Equipment Renewals and Replacements be moved from the recommended draft Annual Plan and be deferred for further consideration.

The amendment was seconded by Councillor Gough and when put to the meeting was declared **lost** on division No. 5 by 2 votes to 11, the voting being as follows:

For (2): Councillors Gough and Keown.

Against (11): Councillors Broughton, Buck, Button, Carter, Chen, Corbett, Johanson,

Livingstone, Reid, Wells and the Mayor.

Fees and Charges

Councillor Keown moved by way of amendment that the first two hours parking be provided free of charge at the hospital carpark building and main site.

The amendment was seconded by Councillor Johanson and when put to the meeting was declared **lost** on division No. 6 by 2 votes to 11, the voting being as follows:

For (2): Councillors Johanson and Keown.

Against (11): Councillors Broughton, Buck, Button, Carter, Chen, Corbett, Gough,

Livingstone, Reid, Wells and the Mayor.

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Gough, that the General Manager City Environment and the General Manager Corporate Services are given the delegation to set fees for off-street Council owned or operated "at ground" areas at between \$0 to \$25 per day or part thereof.

Rates Remission Policy

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Corbett moved seconded by Councillor Button, that the Council:

Extends its existing rates remissions policy for residential properties, and business properties within the cordon only to provide:

- 40 per cent rates remission for residential and non-rateable properties that are unable to be occupied, and
- 30 per cent rates remissions for business properties located within the central city cordon as at 1 July 2011 and for the period they remain within the cordon.

Note that the Council has requested an Order in Council to be permitted to reduce the rates on a demolished building with effect from the date of demolition and to begin rating a new building from the date of completion.

Note that Council welcomes feedback to be made on the Rates Remission Policy.

Council Operating Deficits 2011/12- 2013/14

The Mayor moved, that the Council's preferred option is to fund its operating deficits for the years 2011/12 to 2013/14 of \$73.8 million as a result of the earthquakes is through an additional special earthquake charge of 1.76 per cent for five years.

Note That the Council considered a number of options when considering how to fund its operating deficits for the years 2011/12 to 2013/14, including a levy based on a uniform charge per rate payer, and a combination of uniform charge and percentage increase. These options being: option 5 as in the recommendation, option 7 and option 10.

Note That the Council welcomes feedback on the charging methodology through the Annual Plan process for the Council Operating Deficits 2011/12-2013/14.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Button and when put to the meeting was declared carried on division No. 7 by 9 votes to 3 with 1 abstention the voting being as follows:

For (9): Councillors Broughton, Buck, Button, Chen, Corbett, Livingstone, Reid Wells and the Mayor.

Against (3): Councillors Carter, Gough and Keown.

Abstain (1): Councillor Johanson.

Earthquake Recovery Costs

It was **resolved** on the motion of the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Buck that the Council borrow to cover its share of the earthquake recovery costs, including the infrastructure rebuild programme, and repay the debt and interest costs through reducing its capital renewals programme.

Central City Plan Interventions

It was **resolved** on the motion of Councillor Wells, seconded by Councillor Button, that the Council will fund any interventions it resolves on as part of the Central City Plan through increased borrowing in accordance with its Liability Management Policy.

The original Annual Plan motions amended as a result of recommendation 3 were then put to the meeting.

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The motion was declared **carried** on division No. 8 by 12 votes to 1, the voting being as follows:

For (12): Councillors Broughton, Buck, Button, Carter, Chen, Corbett, Gough,

Johanson, Livingstone, Reid, Wells and the Mayor.

Against (3): Councillor Keown.

4. RESOLUTION TO BE PASSED - SUPPLEMENTARY REPORTS

It was **resolved** on the motion of the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Button, that report be received and considered at the meeting of the Council on 10 June 2011.

5. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

At 3.23pm it was **resolved** on the motion of Mayor, seconded by Councillor Button, that the resolution to exclude the public set out on page 3 of the supplementary agenda No. 2 be adopted.

CONFIRMED THIS 28TH DAY OF JULY 2011

MAYOR