

ANNUAL MEETING OF ELECTORS MINUTES

25 JANUARY 2022

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CITY OF GREATER GERALDTON

ANNUAL MEETING OF ELECTORS HELD ON TUESDAY, 25 JANUARY 2022 AT 5.00PM CHAMBERS, CATHEDRAL AVENUE

MINUTES

The State of Emergency and Public Health Emergency declared by the State Government on 16 March 2020, remains in force. Please refer to the information on the current restrictions COVID-19 coronavirus: What you can and can't do (www.wa.gov.au)

DISCLAIMER:

The Presiding Member advises that the purpose of this Council Meeting is to discuss and, where possible, make resolutions about items appearing on the agenda. Whilst Council has the power to resolve such items and may in fact, appear to have done so at the meeting, no person should rely on or act on the basis of such decision or on any advice or information provided by a Member or Officer, or on the content of any discussion occurring, during the course of the meeting. Persons should be aware that the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995 (Section 5.25(e)) and Council's Meeting Procedures Local Laws establish procedures for revocation or recision of a Council decision. No person should rely on the decisions made by Council until formal advice of the Council decision is received by that person. The City of Greater Geraldton expressly disclaims liability for any loss or damage suffered by any person as a result of relying on or acting on the basis of any resolution of Council, or any advice or information provided by a Member or Officer, or the content of any discussion occurring, during the course of the Council meeting.

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 5pm.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to respectfully acknowledge the Yamatji people who are the Traditional Owners and First People of the land on which we meet/stand. I would like to pay my respects to the Elders past, present and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Yamatji people.

3 ATTENDANCE

Attendance by Electronic Means

In accordance with the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 regulation 14C (2) - Attendance by electronic means in public health emergency or state of emergency (Act s.5.25(1)(ba)) the Mayor authorised Cr T Thomas to attend the meeting by electronic means.

Present:

Mayor S Van Styn

Cr J Clune

Cr N Colliver

Cr S Cooper

Cr J Critch

Cr R D Hall

Cr S Keemink*

Cr M Librizzi

Cr K Parker

Cr M Reymond

Cr V Tanti

Cr T Thomas (by electronic means)

Officers:

P Radalj, A/Chief Executive Officer

F Norling, A/Director of Development & Community Services

N Jane, A/Director of Corporate and Commercial Services

C Lee, Director of Infrastructure Services

R Doughty, Chief Financial Officer

S Moulds, PA to the Chief Executive Officer

L Pegler, Executive Support Secretary

M Dufour, Manager Engineering Services

B Pearce, Manager Corporate Compliance and Safety

T Cornish, Manager Libraries, Heritage and Gallery

P Vorster, A/Manager Strategic Planning and Economic Development

Other:

Public Electors: 1
Press: 0

Apologies:

R McKim, Chief Executive Officer

P Melling, Director of Development and Community Services

Leave of Absence:

Cr S Keemink* (noted as on approved leave, but attended this meeting)

4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Questions provided in writing prior to the meeting or at the meeting will receive a formal response. Please note that you cannot make statements in Public Question Time and such statements will not be recorded in the Minutes.

Our Local Laws and the Local Government Act require questions to be put to the presiding member and answered by the Council. No questions can be put to individual Councillors.

Public question commenced at 5.01pm

Sean Hickey, PO Box 2966, Geraldton 6531

Question

Can Council direct me to the document that updates the public to the areas and percentages of public open (space and parkland) that gives a breakdown of the CBD and suburbs, in mapping and print.

Question

What attention has Council had to give to some of the detail outlined in the consultants / EPA concluding report, prior to its transition of the Olive Street precinct, to include residential property development. Can you reference the document and its analysis please.

Question

How will Council transition the city away from its dependence on private vehicle transportation when it relies on city growth in a sprawling suburbia setting, where roads dominate the services a modern community needs, where roads ,footpaths and unshaded road verges take precedence of space over safe more functional multi use pathways (shaded with trees) with a reduced slower domestic road network.

Response

As these questions were received on the day of the meeting at 3.33pm they will be taken on notice.

<u>Note</u>: The responses to the questions taken on notice will be provided in the next Council Agenda/Minutes.

Public question time concluded at 5.03pm

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ANNUAL MEETING OF ELECTORS – as circulated

RECOMMEND that the minutes of the Annual Meeting of Electors of the City of Greater Geraldton held on 23 March 2021 as previously circulated, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

https://www.cgg.wa.gov.au/council-meetings/annual-meeting-of-electors/annual-meeting-of-electors-23-march-2021/180

ELECTORS' DECISION

MOVED NATASHA COLLIVER, SECONDED BOB HALL

RECOMMEND that the minutes of the Annual Meeting of Electors of the City of Greater Geraldton held on 23 March 2021 as previously circulated, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED

6 ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2020-21 - CITY OF GREATER GERALDTON

RECOMMENDATION

That the City of Greater Geraldton Annual Report including Audited Annual General Purpose Financial Statements and Auditor's Report for 2020-21 be received by Electors.

https://www.cgg.wa.gov.au/annual-reports.aspx

ELECTORS' DECISION

MOVED NATASHA COLLIVER, SECONDED JENNIFER CRITCH That the City of Greater Geraldton Annual Report including Audited Annual General Purpose Financial Statements and Auditor's Report for 2020-21 be received by Electors.

CARRIED

7 CLOSURE

There being no further business the Presiding Member closed the Annual Meeting of Electors at 5.04pm.

APPENDIX 1 – ATTACHMENTS

Attachments are available on the City of Greater Geraldton website at: https://www.cgg.wa.gov.au/council-meetings/annual-meeting-of-electors-25-january-2022/183