MINUTES OF DEVONPORT CITY COUNCIL'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD IN ABERDEEN ROOM, PARANAPLE CENTRE, 137 ROOKE STREET, DEVONPORT ON MONDAY, 10 DECEMBER 2018 COMMENCING AT 5:00PM

PRESENT: Ald A Rockliff (Mayor)

Ald A Jarman (Deputy Mayor)

Ald J Alexiou
Ald G Enniss
Ald P Hollister
Ald L Laycock
Ald S Milbourne
Ald L Murphy
Ald L Perry

Council Officers:

General Manager, P West

Deputy General Manager, M Atkins

Executive Manager Corporate & Business Services, J Griffith Executive Manager Organisational Development, K Peebles

Finance Manager, J Jackson

Media & Communication Officer, N Tapp

Audio Recording:

All persons in attendance were advised that it is Council policy to record Council meetings, in accordance with Council's Audio Recording Policy. The audio recording of this meeting will be made available to the public on Council's website for a minimum period of six months.

Electors: Douglas Janney Brian Richards Bob Vellacott

Karen Stone Tony Butler Grant Goodwin
Kylie Lunson Jacqui Surtees Malcolm Gardam

Michael Williams Rodney Russell Trish Alford

Other: Geoff Dobson Matt Groom

Karen Hampton

1.0 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies received for the meeting.

2.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 30 OCTOBER 2017

RESOLUTION

MOVED: Ald Laycock SECONDED: Ald Perry

That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 30 October 2017 as circulated be confirmed.

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	For	Against		For	Against
Ald Rockliff	✓		Ald Laycock	✓	
Ald Alexiou	✓		Ald Milbourne	✓	
Ald Enniss	✓		Ald Murphy	✓	
Ald Hollister	✓		Ald Perry	✓	
Ald Jarman	✓				

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.0 RECEIPT OF ANNUAL REPORT

3.1 ANNUAL REPORT 2018 (D558007)

RESOLUTION

MOVED: Ald Jarman SECONDED: Ald Milbourne

That the 2018 Devonport City Council Annual Report be received.

	For	Against		For	Against
Ald Rockliff	✓		Ald Laycock	✓	
Ald Alexiou	✓		Ald Milbourne	✓	
Ald Enniss	✓		Ald Murphy	✓	
Ald Hollister	✓		Ald Perry	✓	
Ald Jarman	✓				

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.2 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

3.2.1 QUESTIONS/COMMENTS WITHOUT NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC

DOUGLAS JANNEY - 23 WATKINSON STREET, DEVONPORT

The presentation by the General Manager the chart, I think it was the second picture showing the breakup of the organisation of the Council. That document is hardly okay, it's not acceptable to people sitting here to read. The print is too small and it needs to be bigger.

Mr West referred to my submission which was answered and is in the agenda documents for tonight. I would like to see that information is part of the Annual Report in future.

Response

The Mayor advised that she had read the response.

The General Manager responded that some of the information was expanded upon at the request of Mr Janney and Council would take those comments into consideration when preparing next year's Annual Report.

Q1 Acknowledgement of Country

The statement refers to "ownership". Other places talk about "custodians" why does this Council talk about "ownership?

Response

The Mayor took the question on notice with a response to be provided in writing.

RODNEY RUSSELL – 225 STEELE STREET, DEVONPORT

Q1 Page 38 of the Annual Report is land sales. 64 Triton Road and 24-26 Triton Road are mentioned twice. Any particular reason? They are two separate dot points.

Response

The General Manager advised that Lots 60, 61, 62 and 63, were sold to one purchaser. Lot 64 was sold to another purchaser at a different time. There was actually five blocks of land that were sold during 2017/18. The first purchaser brought four of those for \$220,000 and the next purchaser bought one for \$55,000.

Rodney Russell

Why is 24-26 mentioned?

General Manager

24-26 Triton Road is the street address.

Q2 Page 83 – Assets held for sale mentions lot 65. Fourth dot point, is that a different property?

General Manager

That's the last of the six blocks that were available for sale at 24-26 Triton Road, East Devonport.

Rodney Russell

Thank you, I thought it might have been a misprint.

MALCOLM GARDAM - 4 BEAUMONT DRIVE, MIANDETTA

Q1 Will the Mayor please explain precisely why the AGM has been delayed until 10 December this year?

Response

The Mayor advised that it is directly related to some issues around the Audit Office. They were very short on staff and they were late completing the Audit.

The General Manager advised that Council submitted the financial report on time. Council was programmed to have the audit commence in mid-August, however due staffing issues within the Audit Office, on about four different occasions the commencement date was pushed back. The audit did not commence until around the second week of October. Council could not conduct its AGM until the audit was completed and the statutory processes followed.

Q2 Council had recently made much of transparency in its dealings with ratepayers, including the use of audio recordings for meetings. Would Council consider taking the lead from Glamorgan Spring Bay Council-video recording and use video recording for its meetings?

Response

The Mayor advised that some preliminary discussions had occurred around the streaming of meeting. It's not on our immediate agenda, but it's certainly something that we are considering.

BOB VELLACOTT - 11 COCKER PLACE, DEVONPORT

Firstly Mayor I would like to thank Council and their most dedicated staff for their efforts in helping to maintain this city throughout the year. I still say that Devonport, when you look around Australia, I think we have a lot to be proud of and we have got enormous potential and I hope that in the future that

Council and all the citizens of Devonport will act accordingly and help to make this place, even a little bit better.

Q1 Has there been any amendments and/or additions made in regard to Council's original commercial in confidence lease for ten years with Providore Place Pty Ltd?

Response

The Mayor responded that it is Commercial In Confidence, so there is nothing further to add.

RODNEY RUSSELL – 225 STEELE STREET, DEVONPORT

Page 17 Financial Performance Snapshot – loss on disposal of assets \$1.4M?

Response

The Finance Manager responded that the loss and disposal of assets includes a lot of different asset types and generally with Council there is no proceeds from those disposals, for example road assets, when the road wearing surface is replaced, the existing road surface is written off and as there is no proceeds from that process, we end up with a loss on the sale of assets, so that \$1.4M actually includes a number of assets including equipment, parks and open space, fleet and plant, road and stormwater assets, including buildings.

TONY BUTLER - 2 DREW STREET, EAST DEVONPORT

The question I would like to ask and I have asked a couple of the Aldermen is in relation to the Shell Service Station in East Devonport. There is a driveway there, not fit for a dog to walk on, it has been like it for the last four months and I have got through the thick and thin of it and they are saying it is nothing to do with Council. I believe that if it is in the area of Devonport is has got something to do with the Council. You can either close it up or shut up shop and get out.

Response

The Mayor advised that the question would be taken on notice and a response provided in writing.

4.0 NOTICES OF MOTION

4.1 COMMERIAL IN CONFIDENCE CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS SENT - NOTICE OF MOTION - MR BOB VELLACOTT (D558002)

Moved: Bob Vellacott

Seconded: Butler

That those present at this 2018 Annual General meeting request The Mayor and Aldermen to review all current commercial in confidence contracts, agreements and decisions with the intention of releasing and or making available any content and or information that can be reasonably argued should be in the public domain – ie All contracts and agreements between:-

- Projects and Infrastructure Pty Ltd,
- Providore Place Devonport Pty Ltd
- Sale and Purchase of Land
- Consultants
- Architects
- Property leases."

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	The motion was debated and put and					
	FOR: 10					
l	AGAINST: 9					
		CARRIED				
There being no further business the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 5:40pm.						
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Chairman						
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