

Council Meeting 17 September 2013

MINUTES

Town of East Fremantle

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203. DECLARATION OF OPENING OF MEETING

The Acting Mayor (Presiding Member) declared the meeting open.

203.1 Present

Cr A Wilson Acting Mayor/Presiding Member

Cr C Collinson Cr B de Jong Cr R Lilleyman Cr S Martin Cr D Nardi

Cr R Olson (From 7.40pm)

Cr M Rico

Mr S Wearne Chief Executive Officer

Mr L Mainwaring Executive Manager Finance & Administration
Ms S Cocks Principal Environmental Health Officer (To 7.10pm)

Ms J May Minute Secretary

204. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Presiding Member made the following acknowledgement:

"On behalf of the Council I would like to acknowledge the Nyoongar people as the traditional custodians of the land on which this meeting is taking place."

205. WELCOME TO GALLERY AND INTRODUCTION OF ELECTED MEMBERS AND STAFF

There was one member of the public in the gallery at the commencement of the meeting.

The Presiding Member introduced elected members and staff.

206. RECORD OF APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

207. RECORD OF APOLOGIES

It was noted Cr Olson would be arriving late to the meeting.

208. PRESENTATIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS/SUBMISSIONS

Nil.

209. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil.

210. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

211. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

211.1 Council Meeting – 20 August 2013

Cr Nardi - Cr de Jong

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 20 August 2013 be confirmed.

<u>CARRIED</u>

212. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MAYOR WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil.



213. QUESTIONS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN WITHOUT DISCUSSION BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Nil

214. MOTIONS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Nil.

215. CORRESPONDENCE (LATE RELATING TO ITEM IN AGENDA)

215.1 Brent De Pledae

Requesting that the planning application for 17 Chauncy Street be held over to the October Town Planning Committee meeting as the requested streetscape plan has not been completed.

Cr de Jong - Cr Collinson

That the correspondence from Mr De Pledge be received and held over for consideration when the matter comes forward for discussion later in the meeting (MB Ref 216.1).

CARRIED

216. TOWN PLANNING & BUILDING COMMITTEE

216.1 T103.5 Chauncy Street No. 17 (Lot 5047)

Applicant/Owner: Dr J Hogan Application No. P78/13

The email from Brent De Pledge, referred from Correspondence (MB Ref 215.1) was tabled.

Cr Wilson - Cr Collinson

That the application be held over to the October Town Planning & Building Committee as per the applicant's request.

CARRIED

217. FINANCE

217.1 Monthly Financial Activity Statement for Period Ending 31 August 2013

By Les Mainwaring Executive Manager Finance & Administration on 11 September 2013

PURPOSE

To provide timely financial information to elected members including regular review of the current forecast. This statement compares actual performance against budget estimates, and summarises operating and capital results in accordance with statutory requirements.

BACKGROUND

The report comprises the financial results from the month of August 2013, with commentary focusing on comparisons to the year to date budget position.

The monthly Financial Activity Statement for the period ending 31 August 2013 is appended and includes the following:

- Financial Activity Statement
- Notes to the Financial Activity Statement including schedules of investments, rating information and debts written off.
- Capital expenditure Report

ATTACHMENTS

The attached Financial Activity Statements are prepared in accordance with the amended Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996; together with supporting material to provide Council with easy to understand financial information on Council activities undertaken during the financial year.



REPORT

Introduction/Comments

The following is a summary of information on the attached financial reports:

Revised Budget Forecast

The current budget forecast for the 30 June 2014 indicates a balanced budget of \$0, noting that this was the position adopted 13 August 2013 in the original budget.

Five amendments have been identified in this monthly report; see Financial/Resource/Budget Implications, and the result of these amendments proposes a net budget movement of: \$8,000 increase in closing funds

Should the proposed budget amendments be adopted in this report, the revised budget forecast for the 30 June 2014 will increase from a balanced budget of \$0 to a surplus of \$8,000.

Operating YTD Actuals (compared to the YTD Budget)

Operating Revenue 98%; is \$127,000 less than the YTD budget. (Unfavourable)

Operating Expenditure 93%; is \$101,000 less than the YTD budget. (Favourable)

After non-cash adjustments, the total operating cash forecast is equal to the YTD budget (Favourable).

Operating Revenue is 2% unfavourable with year to date budget.

The significant unfavourable variance within operating revenue is the transfer of the contribution for the Plympton Parking project which is yet to commence, whereas the most favourable variances have come from the early grant payment of the Home and Community Care program and income from building activity.

Operating Expenditure is now 7% favourable to year to date budget.

The main area of favourable variation is sanitation household refuse with the timing of monthly charges, and favourable parks and gardens maintenance and governance expenditure. Home and Community Care have experienced unfavourable timing in employee costs from early termination payments.

All capital activities have been set forward in the budget so that they can be easily monitored in terms of progress; hence revenues aligned with capital projects have also been set forward which presents timing differences until projects are completed.

The current year's capitals works programmes were just commencing at reporting date.

Other details can be found in the attached notes to the financial activity statement.

Capital Programs YTD Progress Summaries

Annual Timeline 17% of year elapsed

Land & Buildings 0% expended

Infrastructure Assets 1% expended

Plant & Equipment 0% expended

Furniture & Equipment 0% expended



Capital expenditure is \$3,360,000 less than the YTD budget (Favourable) which represents the entire capital programs to be completed. The report provides details on individual capital works in progress as at 31 August 2013.

Statutory Requirements

Local Government Act 1995 (As amended)

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 (As amended)

Relevant Council Policies

Significant accounting policies are adopted by Council on an annual basis. These policies are used in the preparation of the statutory reports submitted to Council.

Strategic Plan Implications

Nil

Financial/Resource/Budget Implications

The July 2013 Financial Activity Statement shows variances in income and expenditure when compared with year to date budget estimates.

The following carryover item was not included within the original budget therefore requires inclusion as a net favourable budget amendment:

\$92,000 I12091 Balance of Main Roads grant for the Preston Point Roundabout

\$16,000 E12712 Balance of delayed works by MRD and Synergy lighting.

The following budget amendments are required for various expenditure projections recognised after adoption of the original budget;

\$20,000 E04257 Provision for initial Local Government Reform expenses

\$25,000 E10215 Town Centre Style Guide required prior to construction of Richmond Quarter (see attached emails), as an increase to general planning consultancies budget.

ATTACHMENT

\$23,000 E11238 Fill for Erosion Control at the river foreshore near John Tonkin Park and Zephyr Cafe (400m3 sand).

\$8,000 Increase in closing funds

Conclusion

The attached Financial Activity Statement for the period 1 July 2013 to 31 August 2013 is presented to the Council for timely information. Adoption of the proposed budget amendments will move the annual forecast from a \$0 balance to an \$8,000 surplus. The current annual forecast of \$8,000 is confirmed by these accounts in conjunction with further analytical analysis undertaken at officer level.

Voting Requirements

Absolute Majority

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. receives the Financial Activity Statement for the period ending 31 August 2013.
- adopts the budget amendment recommendations with the following variations for the period 1 July 2013 to 31 August 2013 and amend the budget accordingly:

\$92,000 I12091 Balance of Main Roads grant for the Preston Point Roundabout

\$16,000 E12712 Balance of delayed works by MRD and Synergy lighting.

\$20,000 E04257 Provision for Local Government Reform expenses

\$25,000 E10215 Town Centre Style Guide

\$23,000 E11238 Fill for Erosion Control at river foreshore near John Tonkin Park

\$ 8,000 Increase in closing funds

Absolute Majority Resolution Required

Elected members raised queries regarding the foreshore erosion control near John Tonkin Park and the Town Centre Style Guide and the Executive Manager Finance &



Administration undertook to ensure that three competitive quotes were sought for the style guide works.

Cr de Jong - Cr Collinson

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 - \$23,000 E11238 Fill for Erosion Control at river foreshore near John Tonkin Park
 - \$ 8,000 Increase in closing funds

CARRIED

ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

217.2 Accounts for Payment – August 2013

By Les Mainwaring, Executive Manager Finance & Administration on 2 September 2013

PURPOSE

To endorse the list of payments made under delegated authority for the period 1 August to 31 August 2013.

BACKGROUND

The Chief Executive Officer has delegated authority to make payments from the Municipal and Trust Accounts in accordance with budget allocations.

The Town provides payments to suppliers by; electronic funds transfer, cheque or credit card. Attached is a list of all payments made under delegated authority during the said month.

ATTACHMENT

REPORT

Statutory Requirements

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 – Regulation 13

Comments/Discussion

The List of Accounts paid for the period beginning 1 August and ending 31 August 2013 requires endorsement by the Council.

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

That the List of Accounts paid for the period beginning 1 August and ending 31 August 2013 be received, as per the following summary table:

August 2013					
Voucher Nos	Account	Amount			
4585 – 4602	Municipal (Cheques)	\$20,246.82			
EFT 17820 – EFT 18001	Electronic Transfer Funds	\$648,080.44			
Payroll	Electronic Transfer Funds	\$186,868.87			
	Municipal Total Payments	\$855,196.13			



Cr Rico - Cr Nardi

That the List of Accounts paid for the period beginning 1 August and ending 31 August 2013 be received.

CARRIED

217.3 City of Fremantle and Town of East Fremantle Trust Funds (Amendment and Expiry) Bill 2013

By Les Mainwaring Executive Manager Finance & Administration on 13 September 2013

PURPOSE

For Council to endorse the final report on the East Fremantle Fund to be presented to the Minister as soon as reasonably practical after the transfer day 5 September 2013, the day that the Trust Funds have been abolished.

ATTACHMENT

BACKGROUND

The City of Fremantle and Town of East Fremantle (Amendment and Expiry) Bill 2013 received royal assent on 22 August 2013 to abolish the City of Fremantle and Town of East Fremantle Trust Funds Act 1961.

The Fremantle Municipal Tramways and Electric Lighting Act 1903 created a board to undertake the provision of electricity, tramways and passenger transport in Fremantle and East Fremantle. By 1961 these functions were no longer provided and The City of Fremantle and Town of East Fremantle Trust Funds Act 1961 (1961 Act) dissolved the board and transferred assets into two separate trusts. The value of assets were divided in proportion to the interests held in the board, being 6/7 to the Fremantle Trust and 1/7 to the East Fremantle Trust. Since that date the trust funds have enjoyed separate administration for the benefit of the respective municipalities, however under the 1961 Act the capital has remained in trust in perpetuity.

The genesis of discussions for winding up the trusts began in November 2002 at a meeting between the CEO and the former CEO of the City of Fremantle. After the exploration of a number of issues with the State Solicitors Office, on 10 January 2007 the Department of Local Government and Regional Development provided a summary of advice as follows;

The Trust Funds Act may be repealed based on three conditions, that the City of Fremantle and the Town of East Fremantle:

- i. wish to bring the City of Fremantle Trust Fund and the Town of East Fremantle Trust Fund (the Trust Funds) to an end
- ii. agree that the Act should be repealed; and
- iii. agree upon the manner in which the assets of the Trust Funds are to be dispersed.

Subsequently at the Council Meeting 20 October 2009 Council resolved that the Town of East Fremantle:

- 1. wishes to bring the City of Fremantle Trust Fund and the Town of East Fremantle Trust Funds to an end.
- 2. agrees that the City of Fremantle and Town of East Fremantle Trusts Funds Act 1961 should be repealed;
- 3. agrees that the existing assets and liabilities of each trust revert to their respective local authority;
- 4. advise, in conjunction with the City of Fremantle, the Department of Local Government of the agreement.

The 1961 Act was repealed on 22 August 2013 and the transfer day for the abolition of the Trust Funds came into effect from 5 September 2013, after which time the Minister will give public notice of the expiration of the 1961 Act, subject to conditions which include a final report on the East Fremantle Trust Fund.

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During the 52 years from 1961 to 2013, loans and distributions were made from the East Fremantle Trust Fund to the Town of East Fremantle; however the Fund required



management and reporting under a range of legislation, primarily the 1961 Act and the Local Government Act. The amendment and expiry provisions will remove a double compliance burden and the abolition of the Trust will release the capital sum that was held in perpetuity in accordance with the 1961 Act.

The amendment and expiry provisions require that a final report on the East Fremantle Trust Fund be provided to the Minister, that lists the assets and liabilities of the Fund, declares any proceedings against the Fund and lists all agreements and instruments in force that the Fund was a party to. Lastly a statement is to be made as to whether the East Fremantle Trust Fund holds any assets with the Fremantle Trust Fund as tenants in common.

In terms of the respective interests over assets, the 1961 Act provided that on or before the 30 day of June 1962, the Trust Funds shall divide between them the assets held by them as tenants in common so the City of Fremantle Trust Fund shall receive 6/7 in value thereof and Town of East Fremantle Trust Fund shall receive 1/7 value thereof. There was a mechanism to allow cash adjustments to make up for the division of real property interests at valuation, so that the share of the Trust Funds were 6/7 and 1/7 of total assets respectively.

It appears that the City of Fremantle Trust Fund either had a greater mix of real property compared to cash, or retained it's real property for longer and subsequently over the course of 52 years has enjoyed a greater capital growth of their fund in comparison with the Town of East Fremantle. In recent history it appears that the Town of East Fremantle Trust Fund lost a significant portion of the funds then held in the Trust in 1987 on investments with the collapsed Permanent Building Society and a property trust with Directors from the Permanent Building Society.

As a matter of history, the CEO, who was a Councillor at the time, advises only former Mayor Andrew Smith (then also a Councillor) and himself and two other Councillors had opposed those investments, which had been recommended by the then Town Clerk.

The East Fremantle Trust Fund of today is held in cash only and has a balance of \$204,227.29 as at Transfer Day the 5 September 2013.

Statutory Requirements

City of Fremantle and Town of East Fremantle (Amendment and Expiry) Bill 2013

Relevant Council Policies

Nil

Strategic Plan Implications

Nil

Financial/Resource/Budget Implications

The transfer of the Trust Fund to the Municipal Account will create a surplus of funds that are available for budget allocation or transfer to a specific purpose reserve.

Conclusion

It has taken nearly 11 years to finalise the abolition of the Trust Funds and now Council must fulfil its final obligations under the amendment and expiry provisions and avoid further delay in transferring the funds for municipal purposes.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

RECOMMENDATION

That the CEO provides the attached final report to the Minister on the East Fremantle Trust Fund as prescribed, noting that the East Fremantle Trust Fund does not hold any assets with the Fremantle Fund as tenants in common.



Cr Collinson - Cr de Jong

That the CEO provides the attached final report to the Minister on the East Fremantle Trust Fund as prescribed, noting that the East Fremantle Trust Fund does not hold any assets with the Fremantle Fund as tenants in common. CARRIED

218. HEALTH & GENERAL PURPOSES

Cr Wilson made the following impartiality declaration in the matter of the grant application by the East Fremantle Lacrosse Club and East Fremantle Cricket Club: "As a consequence of my youngest son being a player and my husband being a coach and player of the East Fremantle Cricket Club, there may be a perception that my impartiality on the matter may be affected. I declare that I will consider this matter on its merits in terms of the benefit to the Town and vote accordingly".

Cr Martin made the following impartiality declaration in the matter of the grant application by the East Fremantle Lacrosse Club and East Fremantle Cricket Club: "As a consequence of previously making a donation to the East Fremantle Cricket Club, there may be a perception that my impartiality on the matter may be affected. I declare that I will consider this matter on its merits in terms of the benefit to the Town and vote accordingly".

218.1 East Fremantle Lacrosse Club Inc and East Fremantle Cricket Club Community Sport and Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF) 2014/15 Annual and Forward Planning Grant Funding Round

By Shelley Cocks Principal Environmental Health Officer, on 9 September 2013

PURPOSE

To facilitate Council consideration of an application for funding from the East Fremantle Lacrosse Club and East Fremantle Cricket Club pursuant to the Community Sport and Recreation Facilities Fund Annual and Forward Planning Grants Funding Round.

ATTACHMENT

BACKGROUND

Through the Department of Sport & Recreation's CSRFF funding program, the State Government provides financial assistance to community groups and local governments to develop essential infrastructure for sport and recreation. The program aims to increase physical activity and participation in sport and recreation and is an incentive for the planned and carefully assessed development of good quality, well designed and hopefully well utilised facilities.

The 2014/15 Annual and Forward Planning Round opened on Friday 1 June 2013 and involves applications above \$150,000. Applications must be considered by Council, prior to submission to DSR by their deadline of 27 September 2013. Successful applications will be required to be acquitted prior to 15 June 2017.

REPORT

Introduction/Comments

The East Fremantle Lacrosse and Cricket Clubs are proposing to extend their shared clubhouse on Preston Point Reserve to:

- 1. accommodate existing and future members of both clubs within the clubhouse.
- 2. provide additional changerooms for men's and women's teams.
- 3. provide disability access to the clubrooms and changeroom facilities.
- 4. facilitate growth in membership for both clubs, consistent with DSR guidelines to increase opportunities for physical activity
- 5. improve opportunities to share the new facility with other community groups for example pilates, yoga or exercise groups.

The Clubs advise that:

- 1. The current Clubs lacks "away" team changerooms and women's changerooms, which limits the use of the club for matches.
- There is currently no disability access of facilities, which both Clubs would like to redress.

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The existing septic tank system is inadequate and on the verge of failure, rendering
the building unusable at peak times. An extended clubroom would provide the
opportunity to connect the building with sewer and solve major plumbing issues.

The Club has received estimates of the construction costs totalling \$450,000 (exclusive of GST). (See however Discussion below.) On this basis financial contributions from the three organisations would be as follows-

•	Town of East Fremantle	150,000
•	CSRFF	150,000
•	East Fremantle Lacrosse Club and East Fremantle Cricket Club	<u>150,000</u>
	TOTAL	450,000

Relevant Council Policies

Council Policy No 3 - Recreation

- 1. The basic purpose of recreation is to enrich the lives of people and to improve the quality of life of a community:
- 2. Recreation endeavours to cater for every age group, meeting the needs of young children, adolescent young people, adults, the elderly and disabled:
- 3. Recreation covers the whole spectrum of human interest including play, sport, drama, music, dance, art, crafts, literature, social gatherings, community service and many others:
- 4. Recreation should provide for individual choice and allow freedom for a wide range of recreation opportunities to develop:
- 5. Any recreation program should encourage community involvement in its planning, organisation and implementation.

Strategic Plan Implications

This item is in accordance with the Strategic Plan by way of compliance with:

- Strategic Direction "Fostering a range of recreation and physical activities".
- Social Initiative 1.11 "Continue to support community organisations and sporting and recreational organisations operating in the Town".
- Environmental Initiative 2.7 "Continue to develop innovative children's playgrounds and upgrading of sporting and recreational facilities".

Financial/Resource/Budget Implications

In order for the East Fremantle Lacrosse Club and East Fremantle Cricket Club to progress their application, they are seeking Council's financial support. In the context of the budget, Council has an amount of \$150,000 held in Schedule of Capital Works account E11609. The 2013/14 budget was adopted by Council on 13 August 2013.

Discussion

Both clubs have long been aware of the shortcomings exhibited by the existing clubrooms which are long overdue for an upgrade. In late 2012 the two Clubs formalised discussions by establishing a sub-committee to undertake a feasibility study of the project, conduct a SWOT analysis, and work together to apply for grant funding to achieve the desired outcome.

In short, the outcome of this project is to develop a good quality, well designed and well utilised facility consistent with grant guidelines and also with East Fremantle Council, club users and residents.

The sub-committee have invited public submissions in regard to this project, they have conducted a limited survey among their immediate neighbours, have coordinated a public meeting and met with Council on a number of occasions. They have also liaised with DSR representatives as required by the grant process.

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The CSRFF application guidelines state that Council must provide a project ranking of this project from the following criteria:

- A Well planned and needed by municipality
- B Well planned and needed by applicant
- C Needed by municipality, more planning required
- D Needed by applicant, more planning required
- E Idea has merit, more planning work needed
- F Not recommended

Council must also rank the priority of this application with respect to any other grant application received. At this time, Council has received no other grant applications, and none are expected.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

That Council support the CSRFF grant application by the East Fremantle Lacrosse Club and East Fremantle Cricket Club for a maximum of \$450,000 for the Club room upgrade project (Council's requested contribution being a maximum of \$150,000), with a project rating of B and a priority rating of 1.

Elected members discussed the recommended B rating and considered that the proposal should be elevated to an A rating, noting the development would be connected to deep sewerage resulting in the removal of the existing septic tank system.

Cr Martin - Cr Lilleyman

That Council support the CSRFF grant application by the East Fremantle Lacrosse Club and East Fremantle Cricket Club for a maximum of \$450,000 for the Club room upgrade project (Council's requested contribution being a maximum of \$150,000), with a project rating of A and a priority rating of 1. CARRIED

The Principal Environmental Health Officer left the meeting at 7.10pm.

219. REPORTS OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

219.1 Metropolitan Local Government Reform – Council Amalgamations

The CEO recommended that this report be considered under Confidential Business.

219.2 Town Planning & Building Committee Meeting Quorum

In response to a recent situation, which had been brought to the attention of the CEO, in which the Town Planning & Building Committee considered an item despite no quorum being present, the CEO informed elected members of the relevant legislative provisions, concluding that at this time the quorum for the Town Planning & Building Committee is four.

Cr Olson entered the meeting at 7.40pm.

220. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

220.1 Metropolitan Local Government Reform – Council Amalgamations Cr Wilson – Cr Rico

That the following matter be dealt with on a confidential basis, in accordance with Section 5.23(2)(c) and (d) of the Local Government Act, which involves confidentiality provisions in relation to contracts and legal advice.

CARRIED

Elected members were given time to read a confidential report prepared by the Chief Executive Officer which he tabled at the meeting.

CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT



Mr Charles Johnson (consultant to the City of Fremantle) and Mr Glen McDougall (Director Corporate Services), representing the CEO Mr Graeme Mackenzie, were welcomed to the meeting.

Mr Johnson provided a power point presentation of his work in preparing the City of Fremantle's alternative reform proposal.

Both Mr Johnson and Mr McDougall answered questions from elected members regarding the proposal.

The Acting Mayor thanked Mr Johnson and Mr McDougall for their attendance, following which they left the meeting at 9.10pm.

Considerable discussion ensued with each elected members requested to informally indicate their preferred reform model for the Town of East Fremantle.

(A) Cr de Jong – Cr Collinson

That Council give consideration to the proposal to revoke subsection 1 of part A of the resolution relating to Council's submission to the Government's Reform Program.

CARRIED BY MORE THAN ONE THIRD OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

(B) Cr Collinson – Cr de Jong

That subsection 1 of part A of the resolution of the Council, Minute Book reference 197.1 of the Council meeting held on 20 August 2013, and which is as follows, be revoked:

"Participate in the preparation of a submission supporting the Minister's suggested proposal for amalgamation between the City of Melville, the City of Fremantle, Town of East Fremantle and portions of the City of Canning, with the Local Government Advisory Board."

CARRIED

ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

Under s.5.21(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1995, Cr Lilleyman requested that the voting of Council members be recorded.

Crs Nardi, Rico, Martin, Olson, Collinson, de Jong & Wilson voted in favour of the recommendation with Cr Lilleyman having voted against the motion.

(C) Cr de Jong – Cr Rico

That

- 1. Council finalise the preparation of a submission or submissions, prior to 4 October, once the position of the Minister with respect to representations made to him by the City of Fremantle are clearer.
- 2. The Town agrees in principle to make a joint submission with the City of Fremantle, subject to maintaining the position that the Town's preferred option is not to amalgamate with any local government.
- 3. Council supports a request by Councils for Democracy regarding the retention of the existing poll provisions.

 CARRIED

Under s.5.21(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1995, Cr Lilleyman requested that the voting of Council members be recorded.

Crs Nardi, Rico, Martin, Olson, Collinson, de Jong & Wilson voted in favour of the recommendation with Cr Lilleyman having voted against the motion.

221. NOTICES OF MOTION BY ELECTED MEMBERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE FOLLOWING MEETING Nil.

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222. MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF THE MEETING

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There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11.00pm.

I hereby certify that the Minutes of the meeting Fremantle, held on 17 September 2013 , Min were confirmed at the meeting of the Council of	nute Book reference 203. to 223.
Presiding Member	