

15.0 ELECTED MEMBERS' REPORT/INFORMATION BULLETIN

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DRAFT MOTION

THAT the Elected Member's Report/Information Bulletin, as circulated, be received and the contents noted.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR MARSHALL
SECONDED COUNCILLOR WOLFE**

**THAT the Elected Member's Report/Information Bulletin, as circulated,
be received and the contents noted.**

MOTION CARRIED 14-0

16.0 MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

17.0 MAYORS REPORT

**MAYOR'S REPORT
FOR ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – 16th OCTOBER 2007**

Fellow Councillors:

In my report last month I mentioned that Albany had been chosen as a finalist in the GWN Top Tourism Town Awards. The judges visited Albany on Monday 24th September to assess our City on its merits as a "quality visitor experience". Whilst the weather was less than favourable on the day, I think the judges were impressed by the range of activities and experiences that can still be enjoyed in Albany, regardless of the weather conditions.

I am also happy to announce that Albany has been named a finalist in the Tourism Council of Western Australia's, WA Tourism Awards. The City of Albany has been selected along with 5 other finalists in the "destination promotion" category for the 'amazingalbany' brand promotion and advertising. Once again, I congratulate the tourism team for the successful work they have undertaken in raising the profile of Albany as an award winning, must see tourism destination.

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Also on 24th September, it was my great honour to officially launch the 2008 Relay for Life initiative. The inaugural 2007 Relay for Life exceeded the expectations of everyone involved. It seemed that the entire community got behind the event in some way, either through participation, fundraising, sponsorship or volunteering their time to assist with the coordination of the event. The overwhelming response to the 2007 Relay for Life showed this community's determined desire to "make a difference" in the fight against cancer. It also clearly showed how much of an impact the disease has on all of our lives. I urge businesses, community groups and individuals to get behind the 2008 Relay for Life initiative to make it even more successful than it was this year.

On the 28th September, I hosted a Group Citizenship Ceremony for seven new Australian Citizens. It is always a great pleasure to welcome new Australians into our community and to share with them all that it means to be an Australian. We truly are fortunate to live in this "lucky country" and we are even more privileged to be surrounded by the beauty, environment, lifestyle and safety of magnificent Albany.

On Tuesday 2nd October the City of Albany held a prize presentation for the winners of our ratepayers' 'early payment' prizes. I congratulate this year's winners and acknowledge the generosity of our sponsors for the provision of the prizes, many of whom have supported the City of Albany over a number of years.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the considerable effort and contribution that has been made by you, my fellow Councillors, to the development and progression of the City of Albany, over your term as a Councillor. The role of a Councillor requires a great deal of responsibility and commitment. It can be an extremely rewarding and at the same time thankless role. On behalf of the City of Albany, I thank you and congratulate you for the personal contribution you have made to this Council.

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For those of you who are not standing again, I wish you success in the next stage of your life. For those of you who have re-nominated for another term, I wish you luck at the Polls on Saturday.

Thank you again for your contribution to Council and good luck.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR EVANS
SECONDED COUNCILLOR JAMIESON**

THAT the Mayor's Report dated 16 October 2007 be received.

MOTION CARRIED 14-0

18.0 URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY MAYOR OR BY DECISION OF THE MEETING

Nil

19.0 CLOSED DOORS

**MOVED COUNCILLOR EVANS
SECONDED COUNCILLOR WOLFE**

THAT the Council meet behind closed doors to consider Item 19.1 - Collective Agreements for General, Outside and Day Care Employees; and Item 19.2 – Internal Review Committee meeting minutes – 11th September 2007 both are a CONFIDENTIAL matter in accordance with an employee or employees.

MOTION CARRIED 14-0

Members of the public, media and staff vacated the Council Chambers at 9.11pm.

Councillor Paver left the meeting at 9.42pm prior to the consideration of Item 19.2.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR EVANS
SECONDED COUNCILLOR WATERMAN**

THAT Council open the meeting to the public.

MOTION CARRIED 13-0

Councillor Paver returned to the meeting at 9.47pm after the consideration of Item 19.2.

Item 19.0 continued

The meeting was re-opened to the public and members of the public, media and staff returned to the Council Chambers at 9.48pm.

Below are the decisions of the Council only:

Item 19.1 - Collective Agreements for General, Outside and Day Care Employees in accordance with Section 5.23 (2) (a) of the Local Government Act 1995 – a matter affecting an employee or employees. The report and recommendations have been issued under separate, confidential cover.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR WATERMAN
SECONDED COUNCILLOR WELLINGTON**

THAT Council

- (i) Authorise the Chief Executive Officer, or his delegate, to finalise the Day Care Employee Collective Agreement, with future wage increases in the Agreement linked to the Consumer Price Index (as it is determined for Perth at the preceding March quarter);**
- (ii) Authorise the Chief Executive Officer, or his delegate, to finalise the Outside Union Collective Agreement and the General Union Collective Agreements subject to:**
 - a. The wage claims being contained within Management's offer for year one as tabled for Council, with the exception of a further 0.6% increase applying to the Outside Union Collective Agreement and to Levels 4 – 9 of the General Union Collective Agreement;**
 - b. The wage increases for years two and three of the Agreement being based upon the Consumer Price Index (as it is determined for Perth at the preceding March quarter) and those wage increases to become effective on the 1st July;**
 - c. That an increase in Council contributions for superannuation be implemented over a three year period, commencing in the 2008/09 financial year and based upon the proposal submitted by management; and**
 - d. The impact of the wage claims being contained within the Operational Budget established with the City of Albany five Year Business Plan.**
- (iii) Subject to the agreements being legally drafted, and endorsed by all parties in line with the procedures established by current industrial relations legislation, that the CEO be authorised to implement the agreements.**

**MOTION CARRIED 13-1
ABSOLUTE MAJORITY**

Record of Vote:
Against: Councillor Paver

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Item 19.2 - Internal Review Committee meeting minutes – 11th September 2007 in accordance with Section 5.23 (2) (a) of the Local Government Act 1995 – a matter affecting an employee or employees. The report and recommendations have been issued under separate, confidential cover.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR EVANS
SECONDED COUNCILLOR WOLFE**

THAT:

- i) After having reviewed the processes followed and acknowledging that there were some apparent shortcomings, these are considered to be minor in nature and no further action will be taken on this matter.**

MOTION CARRIED 13-0

20.0 NEXT ORDINARY MEETING DATE

Tuesday 20th November 2007, 7.00pm

21.0 CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.49pm.

Confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

**A Goode, JP
Mayor**

APPENDIX A

WRITTEN NOTICE OF DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Name	Item	Nature of Interest
Cr MJ Evans, JP	11.3.6	Impartiality - Councillor declared Impartiality as his wife is a member of Albany Sinfonia (Inc); and Councillor is a patron of the City of Albany Band (Inc).
Cr J Walker	11.1.2	Impartiality – Councillor has leased land to a tree company. Councillor does not know if the company will be involved with this Pellet Plant.
	11.3.2	Impartiality – Councillor lives at Middleton Beach.
Cr S Marshall	12.6.2	Impartiality – Councillor is an Administrator of the Albany Basketball Association, Major user of ALAC.
	13.4.1	Financial – Councillor employed as a Traffic Controller for Albany Traffic Control who are currently supplying Traffic Management to AD Contractors and Palmer & Rayner.
Cr Wiseman	11.1.3	Financial – Councillor supplies goods and services to business involved.

APPENDIX B

INTEREST DISCLOSED DURING THE COUSE OF THE MEETING

Nil

INTEREST DISCLOSED BY OFFICERS

Nil

[Agenda Item 12.1 Refers]
[Council – 16th October 2007]



SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS

Municipal Fund			
Cheques	Totalling		\$52,532.42
Electronic Fund transfer	Totalling		\$3,096,597.22
Credit Cards	Totalling		\$0.00
Payroll	totalling		\$637,961.00
Total			<u>\$3,787,090.64</u>

CERTIFICATE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

This schedule of accounts to be passed for payment totalling \$3,787,090.64 which was submitted to each member of the Council on 18th September 2007 has been checked and is fully supported by vouchers and invoices which are submitted to herewith and which have been fully certified as the receipt of goods and the rendition of services and as to prices, computations and costings and the amounts shown are due for payment.

ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
(WP Madigan)

MAYOR

I hereby certify that this schedule of accounts covering municipal and trust fund payments totalling \$3,787,090.64 which was submitted to the Council on 18th September 2007 and that the amounts are recommended to the Council for payment.

MAYOR
(A Goode JP)