1.1.1: GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Proponent : City of Albany

Attachment : Confirmed Minutes of Governance Committee Meeting held

on 8 April 2013

Responsible Officer(s) : Acting Chief Executive Officer (G Foster)

ITEM 1.1.1: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION VOTING REQUIREMENT: SIMPLE MAJORITY

THAT the CONFIRMED minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held on 8 April 2013, be RECEIVED.



CONFIRMED MINUTES

for the meeting held 5.30pm Monday 8 April 2013, in the Margaret Coates Boardroom, City Office, North Road, Albany

(File Ref: CM.MEE.6/AM1330838)

Terms of Reference: The Committee is established under section 7.1A of the Local Government Act 1995 (the Act) and its Regulations. The Committee does not have any delegated authority from Council.

1.0 ATTENDANCE

Mayor D Wellington(C		
Councillors:		
R Hammond	Member	
D Bostock	Member	
S Bowles	Member	
C Holden	Member	
A Hortin	Member	
V Calleja	Member	
C Dowling	Member	
G Stocks	Member	
Y Attwell	Member	
Staff.		
Staff: Chief Executive Officer	G Foster	
Executive Director Corporate Services	G Adams	
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Executive Director Community Services	C Woods	
Apologies/Leave of Absence:		
G Gregson	Member	
R Sutton	Member	
D Dufty	Member	

2.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

ITEM 2.0: RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: COUNCILLOR BOSTOCK SECONDED: COUNCILLOR STOCKS

THAT the minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held on 11 March 2013, as previously distributed, be accepted as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

CARRIED

3.0 STANDING ITEMS

3.1 Staff Movements

ITEM 3.0: RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: COUNCILLOR BOWLES SECONDED: COUNCILLOR HORTIN

THAT the Staff Movements Report for March 2013 be NOTED.

CARRIED

4.0 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

4.1: City of Albany Business Units-Councillor Holden

Councillor Holden brought forward discussion on the City of Albany involving itself in business, specifically Albany Regional Day Care, ALAC cafe and Albany Visitor Centre. Councillor Holden stated that these are three areas that Council do not have to be involved in, and the ALAC Cafe should be leased or sold. Councillor Holden also questioned whether the City should be running ALAC and raised the following points:

- Regional Day Care Centre was successful compared to privately run child care centres. Why are we running a Visitor Centre, when it could be run by a private enterprise.
- The Strategic Asset Management Plan required the City to make allowance for building replacement. If so, why will the City be setting aside money for business units that are not a core requirement?

Mayor Wellington stated that it had historically been difficult to attract potential lessees for the ALAC cafe and that a tender had had no responses. It may be highly desirable that the City did not run the cafe but there has been no commercial interest.

Executive Director Community Services responded that the cafe was now running at a small profit. It is not recommended to lease out various units of ALAC as separate entities.

There was general discussion over Council's responsibility to provide for the community's needs, and whether services needed to be rationalised.

AGENDA ITEM 1.1.1 REFERS

Chief Executive Officer responded that local government generally provide services that are not profit driven. Local government is a social service institution.

Executive Director Corporate Services will have the finance team examine options for business units at the direction of Council.

5.0 ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED AT NEXT MEETING

6.0 GENERAL DISCUSSION

Staff left the meeting at 7.19PM.

7.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 9 May 2013

8.0 CLOSURE OF MEETING

STATUS REPORT ON DEFERRED ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS			
Meeting Date	Item No.	Details/Status	
11/03/2013	4.1	STANDING ORDERS LOCAL LAW. Laid on the table.	
		Council is currently operating under Standing Orders Local Law 2009, pending review of Local Law Meeting Procedures 2011 by the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation.	