

## City Centre Residents' Group

### Minutes 2 December 2019

Betty Wark Room, Helen Melville Centre, Auckland commencing 6.00 p.m.

#### Present:

Sri Maxwell, Ardeth Lobet, Micheal McKeown, Tim Coffey, Noelene Buckland, William Keung, Jeff Hayward, Bryce Bartley, Claire Woolley, Audrey Van Ryn, Paul McLeckie, Kurt Timmins, Helen Bernstone, Antony Phillips, Mik Smellie, Tom Morton, Felix Toupfer.

#### Apologies:

Adam Parkinson, Marjorie McLean, Emily Roos, moved Bryce, second David

#### Resolved

That the apologies be received.  
Bryce Bartley/David Roos.

#### Minutes from Previous Meeting:

#### Resolved

That the minutes of the 04 November 2019 meeting be approved as read.  
David Roos/Sri Maxwell.

#### Matters Arising from Minutes

##### Transport and Access Position Statement

- Consider adding drones to the list of Micro mobility.
- Tim will follow up on Drone Usage/Issue for the Feb. 2020 meeting.

##### Opportunity and Prosperity Position Statement

- Tim to put update into writing, a reframe of CCRG position for Feb. 2020 meeting.

#### Financial Report:

##### Income and Expenses

###### Income

- Full Individual Membership \$225.00

###### Outgoings

- Operational Expenses
  - Bank Fees (\$1.80)
  - Cloud Storage (\$220.78)

##### Grant Balances

###### Grants

- Neighbours Day 2019 \$0.00
- QR1920-225 - CCRG Administration Costs \$0.00
- QR1920-327 - Meet The Candidates \$0.00
- Victoria Quarter Placemaking Project \$10,000.00

###### Pass through

- Jumbly Bumbly Sale \$0.00
- LG1820-241 - EMC Showers \$0.00

## Resolved

That the financial report be received and that the Treasurer obtain an ASB debit or credit card for CCRG and report details in the February 2020 financial report  
Noelene Buckland/David Roos

## Items for Discussion:

### Wynyard Point : Fiona Knox, Tracey Ryan and Nick Wilson from Panuku

- Discussion related to the City Centre Masterplan refresh
- Strategy and Goals Identify Key projects, this was collated by comprising all Council documents released up to 2012 and summarised in a format. The integration of the long term plans for 2017, were adopted by Council board but not publicized. Both these items and the Team NZ win of America's Cup (AMC) are amalgamated to produce what is now the City Centre Masterplan.
- Now in 2019 the Masterplan is getting an update, by going out to the community for consultation. Every Monday they meet with 19 iwi/mana whenua groups to discuss. CCRG is the first community group to meet with guest presenters.
- Currently they are working towards a new Strategy document, a level down from the goals, to plan change around the Resource Management Act in 2 years
- The next level down – strategy – means budget and allows the team to request funds from Council
- The presentation showed the work cycle linked to the Long term plan (LTP), programming projects for delivery, overlay of AMC, which factors into LTP. The AMC is planning for uncertainty, as plans are flexible to remove or reuse infrastructure. The result is to build a new strategy project to factor in the prior criteria. The LTP is 2018 to 2028.
- There is a refresh of parcels of land and to update the RM Act. The parcels of land are based on the 2012, 2017 and AMC plans. The regulatory document needs to match the strategy document regarding the RM Act. Clause 19A – process for permanent structure, so not going back and forth in future years.
- Now is the time to get feedback to test and consider scenarios for development
- CCRG would like the distinction between public space and public green open space. Their needs to be a switch in thinking between the two. We are short of public open spaces and softer environment places.
- They are looking at how to operate the green space and the green space connection to the sea and waterfront. How to define public space, public open space and commercial development sites. How to provide for these spaces is a question that they are seeking to answer. There are options to move development sites out of the area and they would like to be ready to activate these sites once the development has been done.
- Looking at the 2012 plan, how to deliver these projects based on the changes since. Sealink has been moved to the western side (a non-notified RM Act consent). They are working with the parks team to work on a 3.3 hectare park at the end of the water front and make it a protected basin. Parks have mentioned they would like to retain the big park of 3.3 hectares but also have other different sized parks.
- The 2017 Mana Whenua icon as a goal on the presentation document is what Panuku use to measure against. Panuku Map changes plans to these goals.
- Urban Design seeks to engage learnings and develop a plan against:
  1. Infrastructure
  2. Transport
  3. Networks – Streets

4. Site Services
  5. Events
  6. Mana Whenua
  7. Various Plans
  8. Residential Community
- CCRG would like this park and basin to be properly protected under central government legislation for example the Auckland Domain and Western Parks. CCRG would like this area protected from Cruise Ships.
  - CCRG has conflict where there are overlaps or working waterfront vs livable waterfront. We would like to see a connection from Port to Point – by the Harbour Bridge to see and feel views of the Harbour. Then from Harbour Bridge connection/walkway to Devonport, then ferry back to Central Auckland. We are concerned about toxic fumes from Shipping Vessels.
  - There is an Environmental Engineer on the Panuku team who is working on future proofing the area for climate change and rising sea levels. The tank farm is already being decommissioned and the deadline is June 2021, then 1 year to decontaminate the site and by June 2022 the Park should be remediated to standard

**CCRG to do:**

- Small groups to research idea's to include in the 2017 Mana Whenua goals that Panuku use to measure against
- Invite Panuku back in February 2020

**New Years Eve City Centre Event 2019/2020 – Kim Marshall from ATEED.**

Guest Presenter:

Kim Marshall, New Year's Eve Event Team, ATEED

- Treating the event like a ground zero and building it up.
- Main event is SkyCity Fireworks and shut down of streets around Victoria Street
- Police since 2007 are not concerned about behaviour
- The problem has been around transport and ATEED have consulted with AT and the Police regarding road closures and taking into consideration the emergency services.
- They want to close Federal Street at 3am, close other streets from 10pm to 2am.
- AT are planning 40 extra buses and extra trains
- A need for Taxi/Uber spaces/depots
- CCRG requested closure of O'Connell street, Wellesley Street over bridge and Hopetown bridge as this is a view hot spot
- CCRG requested other events for New Years to be created for the City Centre for Variety e.g. Opera or Cinema in the Park. Other events which are non-alcohol or firework related.
- There will be a Group Communication Plan to Skycity, Council Family and Apartment Buildings. CCRG requested they put in don't bring cars into the city centre, plus add in other viewing spots, not just Victoria Street to view fireworks
- CCRG commented that you can reduce alcohol abuse by reinforcing the law

**Recommendation**

That Panuku and ATEED staff be thanked for their presentation and that the CCRG request that they have a formal involvement in the Wynyard Point and New Year's Eve projects.

David Roos/Sri Maxwell

## Items for Decision.

### Auckland Waterfront Strategic Planning

- Adam and Noelene will pick up this role to “ agree integrated plan”
- Also will look to Christine Fletcher as a fellow advocate for Queen’s Wharf
- Queen’s Wharf- Council plan is at the Environment Court. The Mayor’s office has delayed/stopped the mooring dolphins
- How the strategic planning process is underway, ACCAB should be engaged in this.
- Interested groups would rather use Bledisloe wharf than Queen’s Wharf
- If Dolphin Moorings not going ahead, do we still have the public space?
- Quay Street Public Space there is a need for changes, as the Ferry’s don’t fit; currently Panuku is in discussions about the Ferries.

### Recommendation

That Noelene Buckland and Adam Parkinson represent the CCRG in the waterfront strategic planning work proposed as part of the agreement with Auckland Council for CCRG withdrawal of their Environment Court appeal against the Downtown Public Space. David Roos/Sri Maxwell.

### Ellen Melville Centre Homeless Lunch

CCRG have been approach by EMC staff to see if we would like to provide help for the lunch they are planning on 20 December for homeless people.

It was agreed to -

- Circulate request for Volunteers lunch, respond to Audrey
- Showers will be available from 10am
- A movie will be in the Helen Clark Room with Tea and Coffee
- Audrey will email David with details to circulate

### General Business:

At the previous meeting on 4 November discussion took place on how CCRG can develop a process that ensures more meaningful engagement with the council family.

CCRG have developed an Memorandum of Understanding with ATEED that is working very well after a six month trial.

It was agreed that the Chair and Deputy Chair negotiate similar arrangements with the other council family members – Auckland Transport, Regional Facilities Auckland, and Panuku for consideration at our February 2020 meeting.

### Stop Stealing our Harbour

CCRG have been invited to sign a letter to move the Ports of Auckland. Members confirmed that the CCRG focus is the strategic planning work that needs to be done on our waterfront before any decisions are made about the port. Our focus is to support more public open space and the need for quality residential space.

It was noted that the port belongs to the people of Auckland and that they are the ones who should be deciding its future the same as every other company shareholders would do.

### Other General Business

Bring attention to: Ports of Auckland Quarterly report comments about the car parking building and the proposed roof garden

Concerns about Ventia Contractors parking anywhere e.g. on footpaths, CCRG to email Community Facilities at Council and cc Waitemata Local Board

David to email the Waitemata Local Board regarding pram ramps and dropped kerbs, as there is a lack of this in city centre

In New Year we are looking to reformat our meetings so we can allocate time for people to have more time to talk, give feedback. Also to co-ordinate a planning meeting for the CCRG Strategy. Anthony will co-ordinate and email for our Committee meeting in Jan 2020.

### Follow up Members:

- Email Noelene for comments regarding Wynyard Point – bullet points
- Noelene – will follow up with Kim regarding Police Commitment to New Year's Eve and whether AT Parking Wardens will be out and about

**Meeting Closed** 7.25pm

**Next Meeting** Monday 3 February 2020 commencing 6.00 p.m. at Ellen Melville Centre.