CITY OF BELMONT PUBLIC SUBMISSION AND DEPUTATION FORM AGENDA BRIEFING FORUMS

During the Western Australian State of Emergency declared 15 March 2020

During the COVID 19 pandemic the City of Belmont will be holding its Council Meetings electronically (eMeeting), as provided for in the recently amended *Local Government (Administration) Regulations* 1996. The City of Belmont Civic Centre building, including the Council Chambers, is closed to the public.

The City remains committed to continuing to provide the opportunity for its community to participate in the local government process and request that submissions and deputations to the Council be submitted electronically.

To submit a submission or deputation please complete this form and return via email to belmont@belmont.wa.gov.au before noon on the business day prior to the Agenda Briefing Forum.

	PUBLIC SUBMISSION AND DEPUTATION FORM		
Date of Meeting	19 May 2019		
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Business, Organisation or Group (if presenting on behalf of)	Burgess Rawson		
SUBMISSION	Please indicate what type of presentation will be made. (see over for definitions)		
Support	Oppose ✓	Pleas	e tick to indicate if in support or opposition to the r Recommendation.
Please write your submission/deputation as clearly and concisely as possible. Strict time limits are applicable. The Presiding Member may limit presenters to a shorter period, if time is restricted.			
Agenda Item No.	Agenda Item No. 12.1 CHANGE OF USE – WAREHOUSE AND OFFICE TO PLACE OF WORSHIP		
My name is Tim Pittaway, and I have been working as a consultant for Burgess Rawson since 2017. I have a Bachelor of Commerce in Property Development and Valuation, and I am primarily responsible for marketing and coordinating the sales and leasing of commercial and industrial properties in the south and east of Perthincluding Unit 2. 106 Robinson Avenue. Belmont.			

Additional space provided overleaf for Submissions/Deputations. Please tick box if continued overleaf(Additional pages can be added if required)







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PUBLIC SUBMISSION AND DEPUTATION FORM Continued

I am opposed to the City's recommendation to Council, and I would like to provide Councillors with some additional background information regarding this property and the broader precinct.

I advertised Unit 2 for lease in June 2017, and received very little commercial interest for more than 1.5

years.

We have been experiencing a sustained slowdown in the commercial property market for several years and I can confirm that this particular precinct has been particularly badly affected. There is a very high number of vacancies, with properties sitting on the market for long periods of time.

The configuration of the office and warehouse component of the property has not been suitable to all the other businesses we have inspected the property with. Unit 2 was originally advertised for lease, however due to the low levels of interest and suitability from other parties the owner decided to sell the property after only receiving one offer from the Hope Church in the 1.5 years it was vacant for.

The commercial and business activity of this precinct is also affected by high vacancy levels and a lack of customers. To me, bringing church goers into the precinct each week seems like exactly the kind of activity that would support a shift towards smaller, retail and mixed business type uses.

The City aims to transition of the precinct away from industrial and towards mixed business land uses. As someone who plays a direct role in this transition by marketing these properties to prospective purchasers, I would like Council to be aware that as the market changes, individual properties can be poorly configured to the needs of the businesses that are moving into the precinct.

Given the central location and ease of access, Belmont is an ideal location for the Hope Church with many members residing within the City's boundaries.

In my view, given the long-term decline in the commercial property market, and the likely worsening of market conditions following the coronovirus lockdown, there is a need to support any permissable land use activity which will occupy an otherwise vacant building and bring a level of additional activity into the precinct.

I request that Council approve the proposed change of worship for a place of worship.

Signature Pittaway





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DEFINITIONS

<u>'Submission'</u> is defined as a presentation made to Council by an individual member of the public, who can demonstrate that they are affected (whether adversely or favourably) by a matter on the Ordinary Council Meeting Agenda. A submission may be made at this time in accordance with the Rules of Public Submission Time and Deputations. As this meeting is to be held electronically, submissions are to be provided in writing on this form before 12 noon on the business day prior to the Agenda Briefing Forum.

<u>'Deputation'</u> is defined as a presentation made to Council by members of the public, whether as an individual or a group of up to five people, who can demonstrate that they are directly affected (whether adversely or favourably) by a matter on the Ordinary Council Meeting Agenda. A deputation will cause the relevant agenda item to be reviewed by Council, at which time a presentation can be provided in accordance with the Rules of Public Submission Time and Deputations. As this meeting will be held electronically, deputations are to be provided in writing on this form before 12 noon on the business day prior to the Agenda Briefing Form.

Rules for Public Submission Time and Deputations

- a) Only those persons, who can demonstrate to the Presiding Member's satisfaction that they are affected by the matter on the agenda, will be entitled to make a submission. Those persons that can demonstrate that they are directly affected may make a deputation.
- b) Members of the public are required to provide submissions/deputations in a written format on the State of Emergency - Public Submission & Deputation Form before 12 noon on the business day prior to the Agenda Briefing Forum while the meetings are being conducted electronically.
- Only submissions/deputations that relate to a specific item of the Council agenda will be accepted.
- The Presiding Member has the discretion of accepting or rejecting a submission or deputation.
- e) Submissions/Deputations which are considered inappropriate; repetitious; lacking in decorum or adversely reflect on the integrity of any councillor or employee; offensive or otherwise not in good faith; duplicates or variations of earlier submissions; relating to the personal affairs or actions of Council members or employees; legal advice; legal proceedings or other legal processes; will be refused by the Presiding Member as 'out of order' and will not be recorded in the meeting minutes. The Presiding Member or Chief Executive Officer may offer comment by way of correction, to any false information presented.

- f) Public Submission Time is set for a period of 30 minutes, and will terminate earlier if all submissions have been presented.
- Submissions/Deputations to be made at the meeting will be registered, and the priority for making submissions/deputations shall be in accordance with that register. Each submission shall be provided a maximum three minute time limit to be read by the Mayor.
- Deputations will be made at the time the matter subject to the deputation is being considered by Council. The reading time for a deputation is not to exceed 15 minutes.
- To enable all members of the public a fair and equitable opportunity a person who has earlier made a submission cannot make a deputation on the same subject matter.
- A submission/deputation may include a request for the tabling of documents where these are relevant to an issue before Council.
- Any extension to the initial period for Public Submission Time is to be limited to a period that will allow sufficient time for any remaining submissions to be presented.



