Agenda Item: 1.b

Meeting Date: November 16, 2026

MEMORANDUM

To: City Commission

Through: Jennifer K. Bramley, City Manager

From: Michelle Wells

Date: 2026-10-23

Subject: Recognition of Commissioner Jeff Gow for his service to the City of Dunedin

Presenter(s): Jennifer Bramley, City Manager

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends recognizing the service of Commissioner Jeff Gow.

Strategic Themes: Good Governance

Boards & Committees: N/A

Budget Impact: N/A

Past Action: N/A

Next Action: N/A

Attachments:

Background: City Commissioner Jeff Gow was first elected to the City Commission in 2018 and served as Vice Mayor in 2021 and again in 2025. He was born and raised in Dunedin graduating from San Jose Elementary, Dunedin Highland Middle School, and Dunedin High School.

During his time on the Board of Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) between 2020-2024, he championed public transit, multi-modal travel, and pedestrian safety, serving as Chair of the Finance Committee, Chair of the Nominating Committee, Member of the Executive Committee, and Member/Alternate of the Legislative Committee. He has come full-circle with PSTA, now serving as an employee in their Accounting department.

Before his time as an elected official, he served on the Board of Directors of Dunedin Stirling Soccer Club holding positions of

Treasurer and President. He volunteered many years serving on the Board of Directors of the Dunedin Scottish Arts Foundation holding the position of Director of Scottish Athletics.

As a Commissioner, his love for Scottish arts, culture, and athletics continued. He served the City liaison to the Dunedin Golf Club between 2018-2020, as the liaison to Dunedinâ€™s Schools between 2021-2026 attending quarterly meetings with school principals and awarding annual scholarships to outstanding youth, as liaison of Scottish Culture between 2022-2026 where he strengthened Dunedin's relationship with the Lord Provost in Scotland and collaborated with Clan Elliott for the City of Dunedin to continue use of the Elliott Tartan as the official City Tartan. He served as the liaison to Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council (TBRPC) from 2018-2019, and finally, on the Forward Pinellas School Transportation Safety Committee (STSC) between 2021-2022 focusing on youth safety in school zones and education and outreach over safe streets.

He has volunteered for and supported various local organizations, including but not limited to: the Dunedin Scottish Arts Foundation, the Dunedin Fine Art Center, the Dunedin History Museum, the Dunedin Chamber of Commerce, the Dunedin Public Theater, Dunedin High School, Dunedin Community Chorus, Pinellas Wind Symphony, the Dunedin Youth Guild, the Dunedin Coastal Community Foundation (formerly known as the Dunedin Boat Club), Friends of the Island, Friends of the Hammock, Friends of the Library, Florida Gulf Coast Hope Spot, Keep Pinellas Beautiful, Sierra Club, Boy Scouts of Greater Tampa Bay, the Scottish American Society, New World Celts, Wreaths Across America, Sleep in Heavenly Peace, American Lung Association, First Presbyterian Church, and more.

He launched the Team Chelsea Foundation in 2025 to promote physical and mental health awareness and resources. Commissioner Gow leaves a remarkable legacy of service and achievements in his eight (8) years as a Dunedin City Commissioner.