



MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

at 6.00 pm

Monday 10 August 2020

Present

Acting Lord Mayor – Councillor Tania Brown (in the Chair)
Councillor Ann Martin
Councillor Cameron Walters
Councillor Cath Blakey
Councillor David Brown
Councillor Dom Figliomeni
Councillor Janice Kershaw
Councillor Jenelle Rimmer
Councillor John Dorahy
Councillor Leigh Colacino
Councillor Mithra Cox

In Attendance

General Manager	Greg Doyle
Director Infrastructure + Works, Connectivity Assets + Liveable City	Andrew Carfield
Director Planning + Environment, Future City + Neighbourhoods	Linda Davis
Director Corporate Services, Connected + Engaged City	Renee Campbell
Director Community Services, Creative + Innovative City	Kerry Hunt
Manager Governance + Customer Service	Todd Hopwood
Chief Financial Officer	Brian Jenkins
Manager Property + Recreation	Lucielle Power
Manager City Strategy (Acting)	Renee Winsor
Manager Development Assessment and Certification	Mark Riordan
Manager City Works (Acting)	Corey Stoneham
Manager Project Delivery	Glenn Whittaker
Manager Infrastructure Strategy + Planning (Acting)	Andrew Heaven
Manager Open Space + Environmental Services	Joanne Page
Manager Community Cultural + Economic Development	Sue Savage

Note: Due to current government requirements around social distancing obligations due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all Councillors and staff attended the Meeting of Council via Skype. The Acting Lord Mayor and General Manager were present in the Council Chambers for this meeting.

Apologies

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411 **COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** – RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Walters that the leave of absence tendered on behalf of the Lord Mayor, Councillor Bradbery, be accepted.

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At this point in the meeting, Acting Lord Mayor, Councillor T Brown, sent her best wishes for a speedy recovery to the Lord Mayor, Councillor Bradbery, after his recent hospitalisation.

CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS

Councillor Kershaw declared a non-pecuniary, significant, perceived conflict of interest in Item 9, Quotation E5522 Bellambi Surf Life Saving Club Refurbishment of Amenities and Roof Works, as she is on the Executive Committee of the Bellambi Surf Life Saving Club. Councillor Kershaw advised she would not participate in debate nor voting on the item.

Councillor Martin declared a non-pecuniary, non-significant conflict of interest in Item 4, Council Accelerated Assessment Program – Development Applications, as the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, initiated this project, however she works for the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment in an unrelated area. Councillor Martin advised she will remain in the meeting and participate in the debate and voting on the item.

Councillor Rimmer declared a non-pecuniary, non-significant, perceived conflict of interest in Item 11, Notice of Motion – Councillor Leigh Colacino – Extension of Memorial Drive from the Hospital Road and Princes Highway Intersection, Bulli to Bulli Pass, as her employer, Ryan Park MP, has made public comment on the matter. Councillor Rimmer advised she will remain in the meeting and participate in the debate and voting on the item.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 20 JULY 2020

412 COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Colacino that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Monday, 20 July 2020 (a copy having been circulated to Councillors) be taken as read and confirmed.

PETITION – GILMORE PARK TOILET

Councillor T Brown tabled a petition containing 31 signatures requesting Council review the location of the proposed automated accessible toilet at Gilmore Park to a location that will better service the community and to also reinstate the priority for the construction of a footpath on the southern side of Reserve Street, West Wollongong.

PUBLIC ACCESS FORUM

ITEM	TITLE	NAME OF SPEAKER
4	Council Accelerated Assessment Program – Development Applications	Stephen Le Bas Against Recommendation

413 COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Rimmer that the speaker be thanked for their presentation and invited to table their notes.

CALL OF THE AGENDA

414 COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Cox that the staff recommendations for Items 3, then 5 to 8 inclusive, and Item 10 be adopted as a block.

ITEM A - LORD MAYORAL MINUTE – ACKNOWLEDGING THE GRIEF CAUSED BY EXPLOSION IN BEIRUT

415 COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor T Brown that Wollongong City Council -

- 1 Express our deep sympathy to the Lebanese community of Wollongong and acknowledge the grief that the explosion in Beirut has caused.
- 2 Arrange for the national flag of Lebanon to be flown on the community flagpole on Burelli Street to show our solidarity with the Lebanese community during this difficult time.
- 3 Write to the Lebanese Ambassador to Australia, his Excellency Mr Milad Raad, asking that he pass on Wollongong's thoughts to the community of Beirut.

Variation The variation moved by Councillor Colacino (the addition of point 3) was accepted by the mover.

ITEM 1 - WOLLONGONG HERITAGE GRANT FUND ALLOCATION 2020/2021

416 COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor Martin seconded Councillor D Brown that the Wollongong Heritage Grant Fund allocation for 2020/2021, which has been finalised in accordance with Council's Financial Assistance Policy, be noted.

ITEM 2 - POLICY REVIEW - PLANNING AGREEMENTS

417 COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION - RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Cox that the draft Planning Agreements Policy be endorsed for exhibition, for a minimum period of 28 days.

In favour Councillors Blakey, D Brown, T Brown, Colacino, Cox, Figliomeni, Kershaw, Martin, Rimmer and Walters

Against Councillor Dorahy

ITEM 3 - DETERMINATION OF NUMBER OF COUNCILLORS FOR 2021-2024 TERM OF OFFICE

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 414)

COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Cox that in accordance with section 224(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council determine the number of Councillors for the 2021-2024 term of office to be 13 (one of whom is the Lord Mayor).

ITEM 4 - COUNCIL ACCELERATED ASSESSMENT PROGRAM - DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

418 COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION - RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Dorahy that -

- 1 Endorsement be given to Council's participation in the Council Accelerated Assessment Program for significant local employment generating development applications.
- 2 Council investigate the development of two streams involving:
 - a Working with the Southern Regional Planning Panel and Wollongong Local Planning Panel to finalise the assessment and determination of long-standing development applications
 - b Establishing end-to-end procedures that will streamline the assessment and determination process for eligible development applications.
- 3 A report come to Council or a Councillor Briefing be held after 12 months operation of the proposed above new procedures to review their impact and effectiveness.

In favour Councillors D Brown, Dorahy, Figliomeni, Martin, Walters and T Brown

Against Councillors Blakey, Colacino, Cox, Kershaw and Rimmer

ITEM 5 - QUARTERLY VARIATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS - APRIL TO JUNE 2020

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 414)

COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Cox that Council note the development standards variation report for the period 1 April to 30 June 2020.

ITEM 6 - PROPOSED GRANT OF EASEMENT TO DRAIN WATER 3.0M WIDE OVER LOT 207 PIONEER DRIVE, WOONONA (LOT 207 DP 776457) AND LOT 545 THOMAS COLLAERY PLACE, WOONONA (LOT 545 DP 831486)

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 414)

COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Cox that -

- 1 Pursuant to section 46(a1) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council resolves to grant an easement to drain water 3.0m wide over Council Community land known as Lot 207 DP 776457 and Lot 545 DP 831486, in favour of Lot 43 DP 818249 and Lot 44 DP 818249, No 9 Pioneer Drive, Woonona, as shown crosshatched on the attachments to this report.
- 2 Council accept payment in the amount of \$1,000.00 (GST free) from the owner of Lot 43 DP 818249 and Lot 44 DP 818249, No 9 Pioneer Drive, Woonona as compensation for the grant of the easement.
- 3 Approval be granted to affix the Common Seal of Council to the survey plan, Section 88B Instrument and any other documentation required to give effect to this resolution.
- 4 The applicant be responsible for all costs relating to the easement including valuation, survey, plan registration and legal costs, and any other costs incurred in this matter.

ITEM 7 - QUOTATION E5520 - WOONONA SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB REFURBISHMENT WORKS OF MALE AMENITY AND ROOF WORKS

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 414)

COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Cox that Council note the engagement of Batmac Constructions Pty Ltd to complete the proposed roof replacement and refurbishment works at Woonona SLSC in the sum of \$415,085.08 (Ex GST).

ITEM 8 - QUOTATION E5521 - COLEDALE SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB ROOF REPLACEMENT WORKS

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 414)

COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Cox that Council note the engagement of Peloton Constructions Pty Ltd to complete the proposed roof replacement of Coledale Surf Life Saving Club in the sum of \$180,687.50 (Ex GST)

DEPARTURE OF COUNCILLOR

Due to a disclosed conflict of interest, Councillor Kershaw advised at 7:15pm that she would not participate in the debate nor voting on Item 9. Councillor Kershaw re-joined the meeting at 7:17pm following the conclusion of Item 9.

ITEM 9 - QUOTATION E5522 - BELLAMBI SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB REFURBISHMENT OF AMENITIES AND ROOF WORKS

419 **COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor Rimmer seconded Councillor Colacino that Council note the engagement of Project Coordination (Australia) Pty Ltd to complete the proposed amenities upgrades and roof replacement of Bellambi SLSC in the sum of \$497,060.00 (Ex GST).

ITEM 10 - STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT - JUNE 2020

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 414)

COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Cox that Council receive the Statement of Investment for June 2020.

ITEM 11 - NOTICE OF MOTION - COUNCILLOR LEIGH COLACINO - EXTENSION OF MEMORIAL DRIVE FROM THE HOSPITAL ROAD AND PRINCES HIGHWAY INTERSECTION, BULLI TO BULLI PASS

420 COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor Colacino seconded Councillor Walters that Wollongong City Council -

- 1 Request Transport for NSW (TforNSW) enter into a dialogue with Wollongong City Council with the intent of creating a working group that will ascertain what needs to be done to assess the merits for, and need for, an extension of Memorial Drive from the intersection of Memorial Drive, Hospital Road and the Princes Highway at Bulli to the top of Bulli Pass. Copies of this correspondence be sent to the State Minister for Transport, Andrew Constance, the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, Paul Toole and all local Federal and State Members. As part of this communication, Council should -
 - a Ask TforNSW if any encroachments have occurred on the reserved area of land set aside for the extension of Memorial Drive from the intersection of Memorial Drive, Princes Highway and Hospital Road at Bulli to the top of Bulli Pass;
 - b Seek clarity from TforNSW on the status of the Thirroul to Unanderra Network Strategy and the Bulli Corridor Strategy projects which have been underway for a number of years but have not been finalised or publicly released by TforNSW;
 - c Request that time and directional specific traffic counts be undertaken at the intersection at the end of Memorial Drive at Bulli, the hill section of Bulli Pass that leads to the top of Bulli Pass and along Lawrence Hargrave Drive after the intersection at the bottom of Bulli Pass as Lawrence Hargrave Drive enters into Thirroul.
- 2 The request for a shared dialogue and the establishment of a Working Group should be sent no later than the first week of September 2020 and the response from TforNSW be shared with Councillors and all others on the mailing list, as soon as it is received.

ITEM 12 - NOTICE OF MOTION - COUNCILLOR TANIA BROWN - WOLLONGONG HARBOUR MASTERPLAN

421 COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor T Brown seconded Councillor D Brown that the General Manager write to the NSW Government seeking advice on when the NSW Wollongong Harbour Masterplan will be released.

The draft Masterplan was exhibited in August 2018, having commenced in 2017, with a revised draft released and adopted by Wollongong City Council in June 2019. Over a year later we are still waiting for a final report.

We seek an update on when we will see progress on delivering recreational and tourism upgrades to this important harbour precinct which will be a key location for the UCI World Road Cycling in 2022. It is therefore crucial that progress begins now to meet this deadline.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 7:58 PM

Confirmed as a correct record of proceedings at the Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the City of Wollongong held on Monday 31 August 2020.

Chairperson