



## MINUTES

# ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

at 6:00 PM

Monday 27 May 2024

### Present

Lord Mayor – Councillor Gordon Bradbery AM (in the Chair)

Deputy Lord Mayor – Councillor Tania Brown

Councillor Ann Martin

Councillor Cameron Walters

Councillor Cath Blakey

Councillor David Brown

Councillor Dom Figliomeni

Councillor Elisha Aitken

Councillor Janice Kershaw (attended via audio-visual link)

Councillor Linda Campbell

Councillor Mithra Cox

Councillor Richard Martin

### In Attendance

General Manager (Acting)

Director Infrastructure + Works, Connectivity Assets + Liveable City

Director Planning + Environment, Future City + Neighbourhoods

Director Corporate Services, Connected + Engaged City (Acting)

Director Community Services, Creative + Innovative City

Chief Financial Officer

Manager Customer + Business Integrity

Manager Sport + Recreation (attended via audio-visual link)

Manager Commercial Operations + Property (attended via audio-visual link)

Manager City Strategy

Manager Infrastructure Strategy + Planning (Acting) (attended via audio-visual link)

Manager Community Culture + Engagement (Acting)

Renee Campbell

Joanne Page

Linda Davis

Jeff Reilly

Kerry Hunt

Brian Jenkins

Todd Hopwood

Mark Berriman

Lani Richardson

Chris Stewart

Nathan McBriarty

Sofia Gibson

Note: In accordance with the Code of Meeting Practice, participants in the meeting can participate via audio-visual link. Those who participated via audio-visual link are indicated in the attendance section of the Minutes.

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## CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS

Councillor Ann Martin declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 3 - Public Exhibition - Draft Creative Wollongong 2024-2033 Strategy as she is a former Director of the Servo Food Truck Bar, former chair of the Live Music Taskforce and an active member of Wollongong's arts community. Councillor A Martin advised she would remain in the meeting during debate and voting on the item.

Councillor Ann Martin declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Items 4 - Post Exhibition - Planning Proposal - Road and Rail Corridor Rezoning and Land Reservation Acquisition Map Amendment and 6 - Public Exhibition - Draft Planning Proposal Policy Review due to her employment by the Department of Planning and Environment. As she has no involvement in planning matters related to the Wollongong LGA, Councillor A Martin advised she would remain in the meeting during debate and voting on the item.

## CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 6 MAY 2024

961 **COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Aitken that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Monday, 6 May 2024 (a copy having been circulated to Councillors) be taken as read and confirmed.

## CALL OF THE AGENDA

962 **COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Walters that the staff recommendations for Items 4 to 13 inclusive be adopted as a block.

## DEPARTURE OF COUNCILLOR

During debate and prior to voting on Item 1, Councillor Walters departed and returned to the meeting, the time being from 6:20 pm to 6:21 pm.

## ITEM 1 - 6 APRIL 2024 NATURAL DISASTER EVENT - RECOVERY UPDATE

963 **COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor Bradbery seconded Councillor T Brown that Wollongong City Council -

- 1 Note the significant impact to Wollongong LGA from the natural disaster event on 6 April 2024.
2. Endorses ongoing efforts to secure funding from Federal and NSW Government to enable Wollongong City Council to mitigate risks associated with future storm events including funding for the repair and enhancement of infrastructure to contemporary standards. This should take into account Wollongong LGA's locally specific vulnerability to impact from natural disasters.
3. Prepare a submission to the Joint Select Committee on the NSW Reconstruction Authority.

*Variation* The variation moved by Councillor Blakey (the addition of point 3) was accepted by the mover and seconder.

## ITEM 2 - DRAFT QUARTERLY REVIEW STATEMENT MARCH 2024

964 **COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Walters that the draft Quarterly Review Statement March 2024 be adopted.

### **ITEM 3 - PUBLIC EXHIBITION - DRAFT CREATIVE WOLLONGONG 2024-2033 STRATEGY**

**965 COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor T Brown seconded Councillor Campbell that Council endorse the Draft Creative Wollongong 2024-2033 Strategy for public exhibition from 30 May to 26 June 2024 (inclusive).

### **ITEM 4 - POST EXHIBITION - PLANNING PROPOSAL - ROAD AND RAIL CORRIDOR REZONING AND LAND RESERVATION ACQUISITION MAP AMENDMENT**

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 962)

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

- 1 The Planning Proposal to amend Wollongong Local Environment Plan 2009 Land Use Zoning, Minimum Lot Size, Floor Space Ratio and Height of Building for multiple lots and land adjoining and within the transport corridors of Memorial Drive, Albion Park Rail Bypass and Mount Kembla Rail Line be progressed to finalisation, with the following amendment -
  - a The proposed amendments to the Zoning Map, associated Development Standard Maps and Land Reservation Acquisition Map along the Albion Park Rail Bypass at Yallah not be progressed, at the request of Transport for NSW.
- 2 The General Manager exercise plan-making delegations, in accordance with Council's resolution of 31 July 2023, and the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure Gateway Determination of 2 October 2023.

### **ITEM 5 - POST EXHIBITION - ELM PARK MARSHALL MOUNT AND AVONDALE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 962)

**COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Walters that the Neighbourhood Plan for Elm Park precinct be adopted as an amendment to Wollongong Development Control Plan 2009 – Chapter D16 West Dapto Urban Release Area and be notified on the Public Notices page on Council's website.

### **ITEM 6 - PUBLIC EXHIBITION - DRAFT PLANNING PROPOSAL POLICY REVIEW**

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 962)

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

- 1 The updated draft Planning Proposal Policy (Attachment 1) be exhibited for a minimum period of 28 days for community comment.
- 2 A post exhibition report be prepared for Council's consideration.

### **ITEM 7 - POLICY REVIEW - PESTICIDES NOTIFICATION PLAN COUNCIL POLICY**

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 962)

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

- 1 The 2024 Pesticides Notification Plan – Council Policy be adopted.
- 2 A copy of the 2024 Pesticides Notification Plan be made available on Council's website and a hardcopy made publicly accessible in Council's Administration Building Library.

### **ITEM 8 - POLICY REVIEW - DRAFT COMMUNITY TRANSPORT AND SOCIAL SUPPORT - REDUCTION/WAIVER OF SERVICES FEES AND CHARGES COUNCIL POLICY**

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 962)

**COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Walters that Council endorse the draft Community Transport and Social Support – Reduction or Waiver of Service Fees and Charges Council Policy.

### **ITEM 9 - POLICY REVIEW - DRAFT CROWN STREET MALL AND ARTS PRECINCT SMOKE-FREE ZONE COUNCIL POLICY**

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 962)

**COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Walters that Council adopt the draft Crown Street Mall and Wollongong Arts Precinct Smoke-Free Council Policy.

### **ITEM 10 - LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL - ANNUAL FEES PAYABLE TO LORD MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS 1 JULY 2024 TO 30 JUNE 2025**

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 962)

**COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Walters that the annual fees payable for the period 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 be -

- 1 \$35,620 for each Councillor including the Lord Mayor, and
- 2 \$110,970 additional fee for the Lord Mayor.

### **ITEM 11 - COUNCIL MEETING DATES**

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 962)

**COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Walters that Council adopt the Ordinary Council Meeting dates as detailed in the report.

### **ITEM 12 - LEAVE OF ABSENCE - COUNCILLOR JOHN DORAHY - 27 MAY 2024**

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 962)

**COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** - RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Walters that Leave of Absence be granted to Councillor Dorahy for the 27 May 2024 Council Meeting.

### **ITEM 13 - TENDER T1000132 - STANWELL PARK BRICK ARCH CULVERT**

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 962)

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

- 1 In accordance with Section 178(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, Council accept the tender of Metrocorp Technologies Pty Ltd for the rehabilitation of a brick arch culvert and headwall, in the sum of \$488,087.15, including GST.
- 2 Council delegate to the General Manager the authority to finalise and execute the contract and any other documentation required to give effect to this resolution.
- 3 Council grant authority for the use of the Common Seal of Council on the contract and any other documentation, should it be required, to give effect to this resolution.

### **THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 6:56PM**

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Confirmed as a correct record of proceedings at the Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the City of Wollongong held on Monday 24 June 2024.

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Chairperson