



# **Willoughby City Council**

## **ORDINARY COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES**

29 April 2024

Minutes of an Ordinary Council meeting  
held on Monday, 29 April 2024  
at the Council Chamber  
Level 6, 31 Victor Street, Chatswood at

## 1 OPEN MEETING

Minutes of an ordinary Council meeting held on Monday, 29 April 2024 at the Council Chambers, Chatswood commencing at 7:01pm.

### ATTENDANCE:

#### Councillors

Tanya Taylor (Her Worship the Mayor)  
Nic Wright (Deputy Mayor)  
Craig Campbell  
Hugh Eriksson (*via audio / visual link*)  
Anna Greco  
Roy McCullagh  
John Moratelli  
Sarkis Mouradian  
Georgie Roussac  
Angela Rozos  
Robert Samuel (*via audio / visual link*)  
Jam Xia  
Brendon Zhu

#### Officers

Hugh Phemister (Interim Chief Executive Officer)  
Maxine Kenyon (Customer & Corporate Director)  
Linda Perrine (Community, Culture & Leisure Director)  
Mitchell Noble (Acting Planning & Infrastructure Director)  
Stephen Naven (Chief Financial Officer)  
Samantha Connor (Governance, Risk & Compliance Manager)  
Amanda Kearney (Engagement and Communications Manager)  
Ervin Lay (Corporate Performance Manager)  
Stuart Schramm (Property Manager)  
Scott Kavanagh (Acting Design and Infrastructure Delivery Manager)  
Adam Booth (Council & Corporate Support Officer)  
Jason Racchi (IT Team Leader)  
Matthew Long (Network Support Officer)

## 2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Willoughby City Council acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the lands on which we meet today, the Gamaragal People, and their connections to land, waters, and community. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present, and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, including those who may be in attendance today.

**3 REFLECTION OR PRAYER****4 APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS****MOTION**

**That Council accept the requests submitted by Councillor Samuel and Councillor Eriksson to attend the 29 April 2024 Council meeting via audio-visual link.**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR MOURADIAN**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Anna Greco, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Abstain:** Hugh Eriksson, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli

**PROCEDURAL MOTION - RECOMMITAL**

**That item 4 be recommitted to correct an error in the Council's resolution.**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR CAMPBELL / SECONDED COUNCILLOR WRIGHT**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

**MOTION**

**That Council:**

- 1. Accept the requests submitted by Councillor Samuel and Councillor Eriksson to attend the 29 April 2024 Council meeting via audio-visual link.**
- 2. Accept the leave of absence requested by Councillor Campbell for 9 to 18 May 2024 and 19 June to 11 July 2024.**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR ZHU**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Councillor Nic Wright

**5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES****MOTION**

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held 25 March 2024, copies of which have been circulated to each member of Council, be confirmed as a true record.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR WRIGHT / SECONDED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

**6 DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS**

In accordance with Part 16 of the Code of Meeting Practice, all Councillors must disclose and manage any conflicts of interest they may have in matters being considered at the meeting.

- Councillor Xia declared a non-pecuniary less than significant interest in Item 12.1 Investment Report for the month of March 2024. Councillor Xia chose to stay in the meeting and take part in any discussion and voting on this item. The reason provided was:  
*"I am a full-time employee of Westpac with whom Council has investments. I do not have any control or influence over the investments held by Council."*
- Councillor Wright declared a non-pecuniary less than significant interest in Item 12.1 Investment Report for the month of March 2024. Councillor Wright chose to stay in the meeting and take part in any discussion and voting on this item. The reason provided was:  
*"I am an employee of Westpac with whom Council has investments. The report is only for noting. I do not have influence over individual investments."*

**7 PETITIONS**

Nil.

**PROCEDURAL MOTION - BRING FORWARD ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

That standing orders be set aside and item 11 be brought forward.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

<b>11</b>	<b>MATTERS BY EXCEPTION</b>
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**MOTION**

That the staff recommendations for the following items be adopted en bloc:

12.1	Investment Report for the Month of March 2024
12.4	Legal Matter Report - April 2024
12.5	Petitions Bi-Annual Report
12.7	2024/25 Operational Plan, Budget, Fees and Charges - for Public Exhibition
12.8	Exemption to Tendering
12.9	Draft Minutes - Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting Held 14 February 2024
12.10	Outcome of Public Exhibition of the Burrabru Reserve and Sugarloaf Point Action Plan 2024
12.12	Interim Arrangement for the Acceptance and Processing of Recycling Material
12.15	Update on Naremburn and Artarmon Public Domain Projects
12.18	Approved Minutes of the Bushland and Natural Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Held on 14 February 2024
12.19	Approved Minutes of the Sustainability Advisory Committee Held on 06 March 2024
12.20	Affordable Housing - 'Channel 9 Site' Scott and Artarmon Road Willoughby - Affixing Council Seal and Reclassification of Land for First Caset of 13 Units
12.22	Grants for the Community Program 2023-24 Applications - March
12.26	Approved Minutes of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting Held on 20 February 2024
12.27	Approved Minutes of the Bicentennial Reserve and Flat Rock Gully Advisory Committee Meeting Held on 21 February 2024
13.1	Notice if Motion 14/2024 - Pilot Public Art Program

**MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA**

**ADOPTED EN BLOC**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

**PROCEDURAL MOTION - BRING FORWARD ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

That standing orders be set aside and the items 13.2, 9.1, 9.2, 12.2, 12.6, 12.11 and 12.24 be brought forward in that order.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR MORATELLI / SECONDED COUNCILLOR ZHU**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

**8 OPEN AND PUBLIC FORUM**

Open Forum allows members of the public to address Council for a maximum of three (3) minutes on any issues (but not on an item on the Minutes). No members of the public spoke on Open Forum.

Public Forum allows members of the public to address Council for a maximum of three (3) minutes on any issues (but not on an item on the Minutes).

**Item 13.2. Notice of Motion 15/2024 - Report on Use of Weeds in Council Plantings.**

- Mary Ann Irvin addressed Council in support of the Notice of Motion.
- Lorraine Cairnes (Retreat Reserve Bushcare Group) addressed Council in support of the Notice of Motion.

**9 MAYORAL MINUTE****9.1 MAYORAL MINUTE 07/2024 - COST SHIFTING OF BEACHWATCH PROGRAM****MOTION**

That Council write to the NSW Minister for Water, The Hon. Rose Jackson and the NSW Minister for Local Government, The Hon. Ron Hoenig and the local State Member to express Council's strong opposition to impose the financial responsibility of the Beachwatch program to Council.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR TAYLOR**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

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**9.2 MAYORAL MINUTE 08/2024 - 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WILLOUGHBY DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**MOTION**

**That Council:**

- 1. Recognise the 50th Anniversary of the Willoughby District Historical Society.**
- 2. Send a letter and certificate of congratulations to the Society.**
- 3. Approve the request for a \$500 contribution to the Willoughby District Historical Society for the installation of new signage, a commemorative plaque, or similar to be funded from Council's existing Operational Budget.**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR TAYLOR**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

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**10 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S LATE REPORT**

Nil.

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**12 REPORTS TO COUNCIL**

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**CUSTOMER & CORPORATE DIRECTORATE**

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**12.1 INVESTMENT REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2024**

**RESOLUTION**

**That Council receive the Statement of Bank Balances and Investment Holdings as at 31 March 2024.**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA**

**ADOPTED EN BLOC**

Notes: Councillors Xia and Wright declared an interest in this item.

<b>12.2</b>	<b>PUBLIC EXHIBITION OF THE LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2024 TO 2034</b>
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**MOTION**

That Council:

1. Endorse for public exhibition the draft *Long Term Financial Plan 2024-2034*, noting:
  - a. The Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) has not yet finalised a decision on Council's application for a Special Rate Variation in 2024/25. This decision is expected in May 2024.
  - b. As the decision on Council's application for a Special Rate Variation in 2024/25 has not yet been finalised, the draft *Long Term Financial Plan 2024-2034*(LTFP) presents two scenarios being:
    - i. Scenario 1 (LTFP Scenario) presents the financial outcomes if the 15% rate increase for 2024/25 (5% Rate Peg plus 10% Special Rate Variation) is approved by IPART.
    - ii. Scenario 2 (Alternative LTFP Scenario) presents the financial outcomes if the 15% rate increase is not approved by IPART and Council can only increase rates by the 5% rate peg in 2024/25.
2. Note and acknowledge that the final forecast cost for the Willoughby Leisure Centre will exceed the current *Long Term Financial Plan* allocation for the project. A final forecast cost is being worked through with the project contractors and will be presented to Council as soon as it is available.
3. Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer to make amendments to the *Long Term Financial Plan 2024-2034* which do not alter the purpose or intent of the plans.
4. Note that a report to Council will be provided on 24 June 2024 with the outcomes of the public exhibition and seek adoption of the *Long Term Financial Plan 2024-2034*.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR ZHU / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

Note: Councillor Moratelli left the meeting at 7:56 pm and returned at 7:57 pm.



**12.3 INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTER AND AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE****MOTION**

That Council:

1. Adopt the *Internal Audit Charter*, to be effective immediately.
2. Adopt the *Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Terms of Reference*, with an effective date of 1 July 2024.
3. Revoke the *Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Charter* adopted by Council in September 2017, with an effective date of 1 July 2024.
4. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to make any necessary amendments to the *Internal Audit Charter and Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Terms of Reference* which do not alter the intent or result in material changes and execute all necessary documentation to give effect to this resolution.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR WRIGHT**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

**12.4 LEGAL MATTERS REPORT - APRIL 2024****RESOLUTION**

That Council note the legal matters report for January – March 2024.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA**

**ADOPTED EN BLOC**

**12.5 PETITIONS BI-ANNUAL REPORT****RESOLUTION**

That Council receive and note the status of petitions presented for the period October 2023 - March 2024.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA**

**ADOPTED EN BLOC**

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**12.6 SERVICE REVIEW FRAMEWORK****MOTION**

That Council note the report and request a briefing prior to the next meeting of Council in relation to this matter.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR MORATELLI / SECONDED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Councillors Hugh Eriksson, Robert Samuel

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**12.7 2024/25 OPERATIONAL PLAN, BUDGET, FEES AND CHARGES - FOR PUBLIC EXHIBITION****RESOLUTION**

That Council:

1. Endorse for public exhibition the draft Operational Plan 2024/25, which incorporates the Annual Budget, Revenue Policy and schedule of Fees and Charges.
2. Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the ability to, before public exhibition, make minor amendments to the Operational Plan 2024/25, Budget, Revenue Policy and Fees and Charges, which do not alter the purpose or intent of the plans.
3. Note that a report to Council will be provided on 24 June 2024 with the outcomes of the public exhibition and seek adoption of the Operational Plan 2024/25, inclusive of the Annual Budget, Revenue Policy and schedule of Fees and Charges.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA**

**ADOPTED EN BLOC**

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**12.8 EXEMPTION TO TENDERING****RESOLUTION**

That Council endorse exemptions from tendering under section 55(3)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993* due to the unavailability of competitive tenders (for the reasons set out in section 4 of this report) and because a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders for the provision of:

1. Contract for Zipporah booking system
2. Annual subscription to .id Community suite

MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA

**ADOPTED EN BLOC**

**12.9 DRAFT MINUTES - AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 14 FEBRUARY 2024****RESOLUTION**

That Council note the draft minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 14 February 2024.

MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA

**ADOPTED EN BLOC**

**PLANNING & INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE****12.10 OUTCOME OF PUBLIC EXHIBITION OF THE BURRABRU RESERVE AND SUGARLOAF POINT ACTION PLAN 2024****RESOLUTION**

That Council:

1. Adopt the *Burrabru Reserve and Sugarloaf Point Reserve Action Plan 2024* as amended and attached to this report at Attachment 1.
2. Recind the *Burrabru Reserve and Sugarloaf Point Reserve Action Plan 2019*.
3. Write to everyone that provided a submission to thank and notify them of the outcomes of the exhibition.

4. Delegate authority to the Interim Chief Executive Officer to make minor amendments to the *Burrabru Reserve and Sugarloaf Point Reserve Action Plan 2024* which do not alter the intent.

MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA

ADOPTED EN BLOC

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12.11	WCC PROPERTY REPORT - APRIL 2024
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MOTION

That Council note the property lease portfolio report, including the information contained in Confidential Attachment 1.

MOVED COUNCILLOR CAMPBELL / SECONDED COUNCILLOR MORATELLI

CARRIED

Voting

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

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12.12	INTERIM ARRANGEMENT FOR THE ACCEPTANCE AND PROCESSING OF RECYCLING MATERIAL
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RESOLUTION

That Council endorse a monthly continuation of current services for recyclable material under section 55(3)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA

ADOPTED EN BLOC

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12.13	PUBLIC AWARENESS OF COUNCIL'S STREET SWEEPING PROGRAM
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MOTION

That Council:

1. Note the information provided in the report
2. Include details of its street sweeping program and schedule on its webpage.

MOVED COUNCILLOR WRIGHT / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA

**AMENDMENT****That Council:**

1. **Note the information provided in the report including details for a 3-week street sweeping roster from Tuesday through to Thursday. Friday and Monday are designated for ad-hoc requests and allow for schedule flexibility.**
2. **Include details of its street sweeping program and schedule on its webpage.**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR GRECO / SECONDED COUNCILLOR MCCULLAGH****CARRIED****Voting****For the Motion:** Councillors Craig Campbell, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Angelo Rozos, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu**Against:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Hugh Eriksson, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright**MOTION****That Council:**

1. **Note the information provided in the report including details for a 3-week street sweeping roster from Tuesday through to Thursday. Friday and Monday are designated for ad-hoc requests and allow for schedule flexibility.**
2. **Include details of its street sweeping program and schedule on its webpage.**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR GRECO / SECONDED COUNCILLOR MCCULLAGH****CARRIED****Voting****For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu**Against:** Councillors Robert Samuel*Note: Councillor Roussac left the meeting at 8:26 pm and returned at 8:27 pm.*

<b>12.14</b>	<b>SUBMISSION ON THE PROPOSED TRANSPORT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM: TIER 1 - ACCELERATED PRECINCTS AND TIER 2 - STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING POLICY (SEPP)</b>
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**MOTION****That Council:**

1. **Endorse the submission on the proposed Transport Oriented Development State Environmental Planning Policy provided at Attachment 1. Include:**

- 1A. **Add further detail to the submission to highlight the heritage significance of the suburb of Naremburn**
- 1B. **Add a request that DPHI confirm with Sydney Water and Ausgrid that there are appropriate services in place to accommodate the planned growth**
2. **Provide a final submission consistent with the Council's resolution to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure.**
3. **Participate in the Crows Nest TOD Working Group and request that DHPI brief Council on the masterplan progress in June and at any other key stages of the process.**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR GRECO / SECONDED COUNCILLOR MCCULLAGH**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Hugh Eriksson

**Against:** Councillors Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Absent:** Councillor Angelo Rozos

*Note:*

1. *Councillor Wright proposed a foreshadowed motion moving the officer's recommendation.*
2. *The Chairperson exercised her casting vote for the motion voted, and the motion carried.*
3. *Councillor Rozos left the meeting at 8:34 pm and returned at 8:38 pm.*

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**PROCEDURAL MOTION - RECOMMITAL**

**That item 12.14 be recommitted to confirm the voting of the resolution.**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR WRIGHT / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Councillors Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli

**Absent:** Councillor Rozos

*Note Councillor Rozos left the meeting at 9:19 pm and returned at 9:19 pm.*

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**MOTION**

**That Council:**

1. **Endorse the submission on the proposed Transport Oriented Development State Environmental Planning Policy provided at Attachment 1. Include:**

- 1A. **Add further detail to the submission to highlight the heritage significance of the suburb of Naremburn**
- 1B. **Add a request that DPHI confirm with Sydney Water and Ausgrid that there are appropriate services in place to accommodate the planned growth**
2. **Provide a final submission consistent with the Council's resolution to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure.**
3. **Participate in the Crows Nest TOD Working Group and request that DHPI brief Council on the masterplan progress in June and at any other key stages of the process.**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR GRECO / SECONDED COUNCILLOR MCCULLAGH**

**LOST**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Angelo Rozos

**Against:** Councillors Sarkis Mouradian, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Georgie Roussac, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

*Note: Councillor Wright proposed a foreshadowed motion moving the officer's recommendation.*

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**MOTION**

**That Council:**

1. **Endorse the submission on the proposed Transport Oriented Development State Environmental Planning Policy provided at Attachment 1.**
2. **Provide a final submission consistent with the Council's resolution to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure.**
3. **Participate in the Crows Nest TOD Working Group and request that DHPI brief Council on the masterplan progress in June and at any other key stages of the process.**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR WRIGHT / SECONDED COUNCILLOR MOURADIAN**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

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**12.15 UPDATE ON NAREMBURN AND ARTARMON PUBLIC DOMAIN PROJECTS****RESOLUTION**

That Council note the report.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA**

**ADOPTED EN BLOC**

**12.16 DELIVERING ON OUR SRV COMMITMENTS: IMPROVING LOCAL VILLAGE OPEN SPACE MAINTENANCE****MOTION**

That Council:

1. Note that the 15% rate increase, which is proposed to commence on 1 July 2024, is proposed to fund ongoing streetscape maintenance improvements in local centres from around October 2024, after Council secures new staff, plant and equipment and if IPART approves Council's application for a Special Rate Variation.
2. Note that, between May and June 2024, Council will use the change in season to the low growth winter period to support a short-term increased maintenance in local centres, subject to weather or emergencies.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR WRIGHT / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

**12.17 DRAFT MINUTES - TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 5 MARCH 2024****MOTION**

That Council receive and adopt the recommendations arising from the Traffic Committee Meeting held on 5 March 2024.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR CAMPBELL / SECONDED COUNCILLOR ERIKSSON**

**CARRIED**



**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

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<b>12.18</b>	<b>APPROVED MINUTES OF THE BUSHLAND AND NATURAL HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 14 FEBRUARY 2024</b>
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**RESOLUTION**

That Council receive and note the minutes of the meeting of the Bushland and Natural Heritage Advisory Committee held on 14 February 2024.

MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA

**ADOPTED EN BLOC**

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<b>12.19</b>	<b>APPROVED MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON 06 MARCH 2024</b>
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**RESOLUTION**

That Council receive and note the minutes of the meeting of the Sustainability Advisory Committee held on 6 March 2024.

MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA

**ADOPTED EN BLOC**

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<b>COMMUNITY, CULTURE &amp; LEISURE DIRECTORATE</b>
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<b>12.20</b>	<b>AFFORDABLE HOUSING - 'CHANNEL 9 SITE' SCOTT AND ARTARMON ROAD WILLOUGHBY - AFFIXING COUNCIL SEAL AND RECLASSIFICATION OF LAND FOR FIRST CASHET OF 13 UNITS</b>
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**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

1. Council delegate authority to the Mayor and CEO to execute the Transfer Documents for Lots 3, 6,17 and 55, in SP 106904 and Lots 10,12, 28, 67, 68, 74, 102,108 and 109 in SP106638
2. That Lots 3, 6, 17 and 55, in SP 106904 and Lots 10,12, 28, 67, 68, 74, 102,108 and 109 in SP106638 be reclassified as Operational Land.

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**MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA**

**ADOPTED EN BLOC**

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<b>12.21</b>	<b>ISSUES AND CONSIDERATIONS REGARDING THE PROVISION OF PUBLICLY AVAILABLE AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (AEDS) IN RECREATION SPACES.</b>
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**MOTION**

**That Council:**

- 1. Note the information on issues and considerations regarding the provision of publicly available Automatic External Defibrillators in recreation spaces.**
- 2. Consider installing two AEDs as a 12-month trial at those sites considered to be the high risk due to their isolated location and high community use, being initially; Northbridge Baths and Norm Brooks Pavilion at Artarmon Reserve.**
- 3. Consider funding for the trial in the adoption of the 2024/5 operational plan, or report to council in May 2024 recommending suitable funding sources for the trial.**
- 4. Return a report on completion of the trial, including a proposed public accessible AED policy for consideration.**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR GRECO**

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**AMENDMENT**

**That Council note the report and request a further briefing before the next meeting of Council on the issue to include possible installation sites, risks and funding opportunities.**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR WRIGHT / SECONDED COUNCILLOR MOURADIAN**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

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**MOTION**

**That Council note the report and request a further briefing before the next meeting of Council on the issue to include possible installation sites, risks and funding opportunities.**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR WRIGHT / SECONDED COUNCILLOR MOURADIAN**

**CARRIED**

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**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

*Note:*

1. *Councillor Wright moved an amendment: "That Council note the report and request a further briefing on the issue to include possible installation sites, risks and funding opportunities." The amendment was accepted by Councillor Greco and become the motion.*
2. *Councillor Rozos moved an amendment "to have it just for Northbridge only, as a trial period". Councillor Greco accepted the amendment as an addition to the motion.*
3. *Councillor Wright moved his amendment again.*
4. *Councillor Moratelli proposed further wording be added to the amendment: "before the next meeting of Council". Councillor Wright accepted the wording.*
5. *Councillor Campbell left the meeting at 8:44 pm and returned at 8:48 pm.*

**12.22 GRANTS FOR THE COMMUNITY PROGRAM 2023-24 APPLICATIONS - MARCH**

**RESOLUTION**

**That Council endorse the distribution of funds through the 2023/24 Grants for the Community Program - Category 1 as follows:**

- **Willoughby Community Men's Shed Inc. \$7,500**
- **Rosemont Chamber Orchestra Inc. \$6,000**
- **Australian Disability \$5,000**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA**

**ADOPTED EN BLOC**

**12.23 DRAFT SISTER CITY & FRIENDSHIP CITY POLICY**

**MOTION**

**That Council note the report regarding the *Draft Sister City and Friendship City Policy* and request that a further report be returned to the June 2024 Council meeting with revised and clarified selection criteria.**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR CAMPBELL / SECONDED COUNCILLOR GRECO**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

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**12.24 DRAFT SOCIAL MEDIA AND MEDIA POLICY**

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**MOTION****That Council:**

1. Endorse the public exhibition of the Draft Media Policy for a period of 28 days.
2. Note that at the expiration of the public notification period outlined in Part 1 above, the following action will be taken:
  - a. Should any submissions be received regarding the Draft Media Policy, a further report will be submitted to Council, or
  - b. Should no submissions be received, Council adopt the Draft Media Policy attached to this report.
3. Note the Draft Social Media Policy and request a briefing on the matter prior to the next Council meeting.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR WRIGHT / SECONDED COUNCILLOR ROZOS**

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**AMENDMENT****That Council:**

1. Endorse the public exhibition of the Draft Media Policy and Draft Social Media Policy for a period of 28 days.
2. Note that at the expiration of the public notification period outlined in Part 1 above, the following action will be taken:
  - a. Should any submissions be received regarding the Draft Media Policy and Draft Social Media Policy, a further report will be submitted to Council, or
  - b. Should no submissions be received, report to council the Draft Media Policy and Draft Social Media Policy for final adoption.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR GRECO / SECONDED COUNCILLOR MORATELLI****LOST****Voting****For the Motion:** Councillors Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli**Against:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

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**MOTION****That Council:**

1. Endorse the public exhibition of the Draft Media Policy for a period of 28 days.
2. Note that at the expiration of the public notification period outlined in Part 1 above, the following action will be taken:
  - a. Should any submissions be received regarding the Draft Media Policy, a further report will be submitted to Council, or
  - b. Should no submissions be received, Council adopt the Draft Media Policy attached to this report.
3. Note the Draft Social Media Policy and request a briefing on the matter prior to the next Council meeting.

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**MOVED COUNCILLOR WRIGHT / SECONDED COUNCILLOR ROZOS**

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**AMENDMENT**

That Council:

1. Endorse the public exhibition of the Draft Media Policy for a period of 28 days.
2. Note that at the expiration of the public notification period outlined in Part 1 above, the following action will be taken:
  - a. Should any submissions be received regarding the Draft Media Policy, a further report will be submitted to Council, or
  - b. Should no submissions be received, the Draft Media Policy attached to this report be returned to Council for final adoption.
3. Note the Draft Social Media Policy and request a briefing on the matter prior to the next Council meeting

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**MOVED COUNCILLOR GRECO / SECONDED COUNCILLOR MORATELLI****LOST****Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Georgie Roussac, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Sarkis Mouradian, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia,

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**MOTION**

That Council:

1. Endorse the public exhibition of the Draft Media Policy for a period of 28 days.
2. Note that at the expiration of the public notification period outlined in Part 1 above, the following action will be taken:
  - a. Should any submissions be received regarding the Draft Media Policy, a

- further report will be submitted to Council, or
- b. Should no submissions be received, Council adopt the Draft Media Policy attached to this report.
3. Note the Draft Social Media Policy and request a briefing on the matter prior to the next Council meeting.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR WRIGHT / SECONDED COUNCILLOR ROZOS****CARRIED****Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Councillors Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh

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**12.25 DRAFT VOLUNTEER STRATEGY 2024-2028****MOTION****That Council**

1. Endorse the Draft *Volunteer Strategy 2024-2028*, as outlined in Attachment 1, for public exhibition.
2. Notes the engagement outcomes will be reported alongside the final version of the Strategy to the Council meeting in June 2024.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR GRECO / SECONDED COUNCILLOR MORATELLI****LOST****Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli

**Against:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia

**Absent:** Councillor Zhu

*Note: Councillor Wright proposed a foreshadowed motion moving the officer's recommendation.*

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**MOTION**

**That Council endorse the Draft *Volunteer Strategy 2024-2028*, as outlined in Attachment 1, for public exhibition.**

**MOVED COUNCILLOR WRIGHT / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA****CARRIED****Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Robert Samuel, Nic

Wright, Jam Xia

**Against:** Councillor Angelo Rozos

**Absent:** Councillor Zhu

*Note: Councillor Zhu left the meeting at 9:11 pm and returned at 9:16 pm.*

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<b>12.26</b>	<b>APPROVED MINUTES OF THE ACCESS AND INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 20 FEBRUARY 2024</b>
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**RESOLUTION**

That Council receive and note the approved minutes of the meeting of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee held on 20 February 2024.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA**

**ADOPTED EN BLOC**

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<b>12.27</b>	<b>APPROVED MINUTES OF THE BICENTENNIAL RESERVE AND FLAT ROCK GULLY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21 FEBRUARY 2024</b>
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**RESOLUTION**

That Council receive and note the approved minutes of the meeting of the Bicentennial Reserve and Flat Rock Gully Advisory Committee held on 21 February 2024.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA**

**ADOPTED EN BLOC**

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<b>13</b>	<b>NOTICES OF MOTION</b>
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<b>13.1</b>	<b>NOTICE OF MOTION 14/2024 - PILOT PUBLIC ART PROGRAM</b>
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**RESOLUTION**

**That Council:**

- 1. establish a pilot public art program by December 2024 utilising funding received in FY2022/23 from the NSW Government Multicultural NSW Grant.**
- 2. conduct an evaluation of the pilot and report to Council with a recommendation as to whether a rolling program should be established across the Local Government Area.**

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**MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR XIA****ADOPTED EN BLOC**

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<b>13.2</b>	<b>NOTICE OF MOTION 15/2024 - REPORT ON USE OF WEEDS IN COUNCIL PLANTINGS</b>
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**MOTION**

That Council prepare a report for the June meeting of council identifying which of the plants in the booklet 'Garden Escapes in Bushlands and Reserves', with the exception of plants intended to be used for turfing of parks or playing fields, need to be used in council plantings, with detailed reasons as to the circumstances in which plants are to be used and the reasons for their use.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR MORATELLI / SECONDED COUNCILLOR GRECO****LOST****Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel

**Against:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Sarkis Mouradian, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

*Note: Councillor Rozos left the meeting at 7:31 pm and returned at 7:36 pm.*

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<b>PROCEDURAL MOTION - MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION</b>
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That Council move into closed session.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR ROUSSAC / SECONDED COUNCILLOR WRIGHT****CARRIED****Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Roy McCullagh, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia

**Against:** Nil

**Abstain:** Councillors Greco, Moratelli, Zhu, Rozos

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<b>15</b>	<b>CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS</b>
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In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*, and the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, in the opinion of the Interim Chief Executive Officer, the following business is confidential as referred to in Section 10A(2) of the Act, and should be dealt with in a confidential session of the Council meeting closed to the press and public.

In accordance with the requirements of section 10A(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993* as addressed below, Council resolved to close the meeting to the public to consider and discuss:



**15.1 Confidential - Northbridge Carpark**

This report is confidential for the following reason under Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, in that if not confidential, it would:

- Prejudice the commercial position of someone who has supplied confidential information to the Council.

This matter is confidential because it contains details of entities and their commercial operations which, if revealed, would result in commercial disadvantage to them. This information was provided to Council in the expectation that it will be treated as commercial in confidence.

On balance, it is not in the public interest to disclose the commercial information of other entities.

**15.2 Confidential - Update on the Willoughby Leisure Centre**

This report is confidential in accordance with Section 10A(2)(c) and Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: -

- (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business,
- (d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed--
- (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or
- (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or
- (g) advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege,

The information in the report is confidential as disclosure of information would place Council at a commercial disadvantage if the entities related to the subject of the report were to become aware of Council's budget allowances and financial position.

The matter also contains background information that could be subject to legal proceedings in the future.

This matter is also confidential because it contains details of entities and their commercial operations which, if revealed, would result in commercial disadvantage to them. This information was provided to Council in the expectation that it will be treated as commercial in confidence.

On balance, it is not in the public interest to reveal Council's financial and related information to make its decision) to potential suppliers, nor to disclose the commercial information of potential suppliers.

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<b>15.1</b>	<b>CONFIDENTIAL - NORTHBRIDGE CARPARK</b>
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**MOTION**

**That Council:**

- 2. Approve commencement of the process to reclassify Council's Northbridge Carpark land holdings from Community to Operational land under s30 of *Local Government Act 1993*.**

3. Prepare and submit a Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure for a Gateway Determination in accordance with s3.34 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.
4. Note that this action would seek to reclassify the land only, and not change the zoning or other planning controls.
5. That a further report to Council be submitted reporting on the outcomes of the associated public hearing and exhibition process.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR ERIKSSON / SECONDED COUNCILLOR MORATELLI**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil.

*Note:*

1. Councillor Taylor left the meeting at 9:26 pm and returned at 9:29 pm.
2. Councillor Roussac left the meeting at 9:26 pm and returned at 9:30 pm.
3. Councillor Xia left the meeting at 9:27 pm and returned at 9:30 pm.
4. Councillor McCullagh left the meeting at 9:27 pm and returned at 9:30 pm.
5. Councillor Greco left the meeting at 9:28 pm and returned at 9:30 pm.
6. Councillor Mouradian left the meeting at 9:28 pm and returned at 9:30 pm.
7. Councillor Zhu left the meeting at 9:28 pm and returned at 9:32 pm.
8. Councillor Moratelli left the meeting at 9:29 pm and returned at 9:31 pm.
9. Councillor Wright left the meeting at 9:30 pm and returned at 9:31 pm.
10. Councillor Eriksson left the meeting at 9:33 pm and returned at 9:36 pm.

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15.2	<b>CONFIDENTIAL - UPDATE ON THE WILLOUGHBY LEISURE CENTRE</b>
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**MOTION**

**That Council:**

1. Remains committed to the upgrade of the Willoughby Leisure Centre and notes the increased construction activity now the project is largely at the above ground stage.
2. Notes the ongoing negotiations with builder and design team to finalise the amended project cost and confirm the expected completion date in 2025, with these elements to be released to the community once commercial negotiations have concluded.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR WRIGHT / SECONDED COUNCILLOR MORATELLI**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil

**PROCEDURAL MOTION - MOVE INTO OPEN SESSION**

That Council move into open session.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR WRIGHT / SECONDED COUNCILLOR CAMPBELL**

**CARRIED**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Angelo Rozos, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

**Against:** Nil.

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*Note:*

- 1. Councillor Greco moved for recommittal of an item. Councillor McCullagh seconded. The Chairperson sought clarification as to what specific item was being requested for recommittal, that is, Item 13.1 Notice of Motion 14/2024 - Pilot Public Art Program or Item 11 Matters by Exception (for all items adopted en bloc). No debate or voting was on held on the proposed recommittal request.*

**PROCEDURAL MOTION - MEETING EXTENSION**

That the meeting be extended beyond 10:30 pm to 11:00 pm.

**MOVED COUNCILLOR MORATELLI / SECONDED COUNCILLOR MCCULLAGH**

**LOST**

**Voting**

**For the Motion:** Councillors Tanya Taylor, Anna Greco, Roy McCullagh, John Moratelli, Angelo Rozos

**Against:** Councillors Craig Campbell, Hugh Eriksson, Sarkis Mouradian, Georgie Roussac, Robert Samuel, Nic Wright, Jam Xia, Brendon Zhu

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**16 CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING**

*The meeting concluded at 10:27 pm.*

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