



ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY, 14 JUNE 2021

MINUTES

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CITY OF ARMADALE

MINUTES

OF ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
ADMINISTRATION CENTRE, 7 ORCHARD AVENUE, ARMADALE ON MONDAY, 14
JUNE 2021 AT 7.00PM.

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Mayor, Cr Butterfield, declared the meeting open at 7.00 pm and acknowledged the traditional custodians of this land, the Whadjuk people of the Noongar nation and Elders past, present and emerging.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / LEAVE OF ABSENCE (previously approved)

PRESENT:

Mayor, Cr R Butterfield presided over	River Ward
Cr J H Munn CMC	Ranford Ward
Cr S Peter JP	Ranford Ward
Cr M S Northcott	Palomino Ward
Cr C A Campbell JP	Palomino Ward
Cr E J Flynn	Heron Ward
Cr G J Smith	Minnawarra Ward
Cr K Busby	Minnawarra Ward
Cr G Nixon	Hills Ward
Cr C M Wielinga	Hills Ward

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms J Abbiss	Chief Executive Officer
Mr J Lyon	Executive Director Corporate Services
Mr P Sanders	Executive Director Development Services
Mr K Ketterer	Executive Director Technical Services
Mr N Kegie	A/Executive Director Community Services
Ms L Jarosz	CEO's A/Executive Assistant
Ms R Milnes	Manager Community Development

Public: 12

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Nil

APOLOGIES:

Cr D M Shaw	Heron Ward
Deputy Mayor, Cr C Frost	Lake Ward
Cr M Silver	Lake Ward

**3 ADVICE OF RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS
TAKEN ON NOTICE**

Nil

4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

1 Mr Richard Mons - 48 Jarrah Road, Roleystone

Q.1 On 8 April 2021, Roleystone Volunteer Fire Brigade (RVFB) requested that the City of Armadale make arrangements to support a transition toward the brigade being managed and funded by the Department of Fire and Emergency Services. There has been very little consultative or responsible feedback in this matter. When do the Councillors intend to be in a position to consult with the RVFB and the wider community in the decision making process?

Response: The Mayor acknowledged that the letter requesting the transition was received by the Chief Executive Officer, with Councillors cc'd in. The Mayor advised that the City is undertaking due diligence in that respect and have met with DFES. The Mayor also advised that there was nothing in the letter that spoke about public consultation or consultation with the Brigade and she did not believe that Councillors were aware that any further consultation was requested as the desires of the Brigade Management were made very clear in their letter.

2 Mr Jason Jordan - 31 Slab Gully Road, Roleystone

Q1. Further to the previous question – Does the Council intend on splitting the brigade and if so is the justification political or financial and has the community been consulted?

Response: The Mayor advised that Council is undergoing a process following a request from the Roleystone Volunteer Fire Brigade to have the governance structure changed over to a DFES only model and the City is undergoing a due diligence process to work out what the best way forward is. Understanding the need to negotiate with DFES on this, Council have had one meeting with DFES and have sought legal advice on the matter. The Mayor advised that a report will be presented to Council so that Councilors can assess all of the options. The letter from the Management Committee of the bush fire brigade in Roleystone is clear regarding their desires. The City has had feedback about other desires and Council will also consider those and any need for further public consultation when a report is presented to Council for consideration. There has been no decision making forum as yet. No decision has been made as yet. It is all on the table and we are taking advice on all those things and appropriate governance structures going forward.

Q2. Why has this even come up?

CEO: The brigade have written to the City of Armadale

Q3. Prior to that - why is this even an issue? They have been harmoniously sharing premises for some time and everyone seems quite happy with that. Why now are we talking about the potential for the 2 brigades to be separated? Why now are we talking about potentially greater risk to the community in the hills?

The Mayor advised that no one is having that conversation. No decision has been made in that regard. We are being asked to consider the matter because the brigade have asked us to consider it.

Question time closed at 7.06pm

5 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

6 PETITIONS

Nil

7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

7.1 PREVIOUS ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 24 MAY 2021.

MOVED Cr E J Flynn that the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 24 May 2021 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (10/0)

8 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PERSON PRESIDING WITHOUT DISCUSSION

1 Mayor's Announcements

Tuesday 25 May 2021

The CEO, Executive Director Development Services and I met with senior officers from DevelopmentWA to discuss various projects within the City of Armadale.

The CEO, Executive Director Development Services and I met with representatives from York Property Group to discuss their developments within the City of Armadale.

Wednesday 26 May 2021

Met with the CEO and Manager of Communications to discuss media matters.

Thursday 27 May 2021

Hosted 4 Citizenship Ceremonies of 20 people each and welcomed 80 new citizens to the City of Armadale. Councillors Nixon, Northcott and Smith also attended.

Attended the Ballot Draw with the Electoral Commission Representative, for the upcoming Extra-ordinary Election in River Ward. Councillors Nixon, Northcott and Smith also attended.

Friday 28 May 2021

Attended a briefing with the CEO and Acting Executive Director Community Services regarding a volunteer matter.

Officially opened the new Bedfordale Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade station. The Hon Reece Whitby MLA, Minister for Emergency Services, Hon Dr Tony Buti MLA, Minister for Finance; Sport and Recreation; Lands; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests, Commissioner Darren Klemm AFSM, Hon Matt Swinbourn MLC, Member for East Metropolitan, Hugh Jones MLA, Member for Darling Range, past and present members of the Brigade were in

attendance. Councillors Campbell, Northcott, Nixon, Wielinga and Smith were also in attendance.

Saturday 29 May 2021

Attended the South Suburban Badminton Association's celebration of Laurie Blackburn's service where I presented him with a Mayor's Award – Community Hero.

Sunday 30 May 2021

Attended the City of Armadale Grand Fondo Ciclistica 2021 and presented awards to the winners at Hills Emporio in Karragullen.

Monday 31 May 2021

Attended regular meeting with the CEO regarding local issues.

Tuesday 1 June 2021

Cr Smith attended the Perth Hills Workshop on my behalf.

Attended a meet and greet with the DevelopmentWA Board and Executive team held here at the City. Deputy Mayor, Carole Frost also attended.

Wednesday 2 June 2021

Hosted an afternoon tea for the winners of the Communications Survey. Each winner received a gift voucher for Forrest Road Fresh in Armadale.

Attended the WALGA Special State Council Meeting held at in Leederville at the WALGA office.

Thursday 3 June 2021

Attended a media round table with journalists from Business News and the Examiner Newspaper.

Friday 4 June 2021

Met with the CEO and the Hon Matt Swinbourn MLC, Member for East Metro to discuss local issues.

Met with the CEO and the Hon Dr Tony Buti MLA, Member for Armadale, to discuss local matters.

Attended a meeting with the CEO, Minister Tony Buti MLA, Cr Frost, Cr Northcott, Cr Smith and representatives from 4 Life Skills to discuss options for employment of their clients.

Attended the Perth Hills RDA Event held at the Narrogin Inn. Matt Swinbourn MLC was also in attendance.

Sunday 6 June 2021

Spoke at the Inaugural Sri Lankan Women's Foundation of WA event held at the Armadale District Hall.

Monday 7 June 2021

Attended the WA Day Fireworks event held in Minnowarra Park. The event was attended by just over eight thousand people (inside the Covid safe fence) and countless others who viewed the fireworks from other vantage points. Also in attendance were Councillors Frost, Wielinga, Smith, Nixon, Silver, Northcott and Busby.

Was interviewed by Jeff Hutchison on ABC Radio who were broadcasting live from the WA Day event.

Attended an interview (which was plagued by technical issues) with Heritage FM, who were also broadcasting live from the event.

Tuesday 8 June 2021

Attended the Armadale Land Redevelopment Authority meeting held at DevelopmentWA.

Attended a Teams meeting with the CEO and Deputy Mayor.

Wednesday 9 June 2021

Attended a meeting with Hugh Jones MLA, Member for Darling Range to discuss local matters.

Attended an informal Audit Committee Meeting where the upcoming audit program was outlined. Also in attendance were Councillors Smith, Nixon, and Munn.

Thursday 10 June 2021

Participated in a half hour interview on Sonshine FM to highlight the positives of the City of Armadale

Held discussion with a representative from Basketball WA, with regard to facilities within the CoA

Friday 11 June 2021

Attended the Armadale Landfill and Recycling Facility to promote the City's upcoming bulk rubbish verge collection and hazardous waste program.

Monday 15 June 2021

Met with Yaz Mubarakai MLA, Member for Jandakot and the CEO, to discuss local matters.

Attended a regular catch up with the CEO.

9 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN – WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil

10 REPORTS

10.1 COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

Report of the Community Services Committee held on 8 June 2021.

MOVED Cr K Busby that the report be received.

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED

(10/0)

BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT

Recommendation C18/6/21 - Access and Inclusion Plan 2021 - 2026

MOVED Cr K Busby

That Council endorse the City of Armadale Access and Inclusion Plan 2021 – 2026.

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (10/0)

Recommendation C19/6/21 - Community Development Strategy 2021 - 2026

MOVED Cr K Busby

That Council endorse the proposed Community Development Strategy 2021 – 2026.

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (10/0)

Recommendation C20/6/21 - Social Priorities 2021 - 2023

MOVED Cr K Busby

That Council endorse the suburb-level social priorities detailed in this report.

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (10/0)

Recommendation C21/6/21 - covid-19 related public health measures at upcoming events

MOVED Cr K Busby

That Council:

pursuant to Section 6.8 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, AMENDS the 2020/21 Annual Budget as follows:

(a) Increases the operating budget for *the City's WA Day Event (Community Services)* by \$59,000, from \$161,000 to \$220,000.

(b) Increases the operating budget for *the City's NAIDOC event (Community Services)* by \$10,000, from \$25,000 to \$35,000.

(c) Increases the operating budget for *the City's Armadale Avon Decent Community Day* by \$20,000, from \$65,000 to \$85,000.

(d) Increases the Transfer from Cash Reserves budget for *Transfers from the Events Reserve* by \$41,355, from \$313,000 to \$354,355.

(e) Increases the revenue budget for Aquatic Centre Membership fees by \$32,645, from \$910,000 to \$942,645.

ABSOLUTE MAJORITY RESOLUTION REQUIRED

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (10/0)

10.2 TECHNICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING
Report of the Technical Services Committee held on 9 June 2021.

MOVED Cr G Nixon

that the report be received.

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (10/0)

BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT

Recommendation T39/6/21 - Warton Road Duplication - Request for Delegated Authority to Apply for Clearing Permit

MOVED Cr G Nixon

That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to sign a letter of authorisation for the City of Gosnells to submit an Application to Clear Native Vegetation under the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*, on one land parcel (PIN 40797), for the purpose of the widening of Warton Road, on behalf of the City of Armadale.

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14/0)

Recommendation T40/6/21 - Provision of Public Toilets at Explorer Park

MOVED Cr G Nixon

That Council consider in the 2022/23 budget and long term financial plan deliberations, the funding of a public toilet at Explorer Park estimated at a cost of \$214,500 and maintenance provisions of \$25,000 per annum.

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (10/0)

Recommendation T41/6/21 - Dry Parks Strategy

MOVED Cr G Nixon

That Council:

- 1. Adopt the City of Armadale Dry Parks Strategy 2021.**
- 2. Give consideration to the allocation of additional municipal funding to the consideration of \$40,000 in Council's 2022/23 budget and Long Term Financial Plan deliberations for the City wide audit of irrigated passive reserves as described in the Dry Parks Strategy.**
- 3. Include consideration of the implementation and funding in the Long Term Financial Plan deliberations for capital improvements and maintenance requirements, as detailed in the attached report.**

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (10/0)

10.3 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT
Report of the Chief Executive Officer.

MOVED Cr M S Northcott that the report be received.

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (10/0)

BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT

Recommendation CEO2/6/21 - Councillors Information Bulletin - Issue No 9/2021

MOVED Cr M S Northcott

That Council acknowledge receipt of Issue 9/2021 of the Information Bulletin

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (10/0)

Recommendation CEO3/6/21 - External Audit Plan

MOVED Cr G Nixon

That Council approves (without modification) the Auditor's External Audit Plan for the year ending 30 June 2021 as presented.

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (10/0)

11 MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

12 URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE PERSON PRESIDING OR BY DECISION

Nil

13 MATTERS FOR REFERRAL TO STANDING COMMITTEES – WITHOUT DISCUSSION

1. Firebreak Notice and Associated Management Practices (Cr Caroline Wielinga)

That the matter of the City's Firebreak Notice and associated management practices be referred to the Community Services Committee.

14 MATTERS REQUIRING CONFIDENTIAL CONSIDERATION

Nil

15 CLOSURE

The Mayor, Cr Butterfield, declared the meeting closed at 7.17pm

MINUTES CONFIRMED THIS 28 JUNE 2021

MAYOR