



ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL 18 February 2002

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CITY OF ARMADALE

MINUTES

OF ORDINARY MEETING OF THE ARMADALE CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 7 ORCHARD AVENUE, ARMADALE ON MONDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2002 COMMENCING AT 7.30 PM

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Mayor, Cr Reynolds, declared the meeting open at 7.30pm.

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

PRESENT:

Mayor, Cr L Reynolds JP presided over:	Westfield Ward
Deputy Mayor, Cr J H Munn JP CMC	West Armadale Ward
Cr J Knezevich	West Armadale Ward
Cr R R Fletcher	Armadale Ward
Cr F R Green	Armadale Ward
Cr A L Cominelli JP	Forrest Ward
Cr G M Hodges	Forrest Ward
Cr V L Clowes-Hollins	Kelmscott Ward
Cr H A Zelones JP	Kelmscott Ward
Cr J D Cumming	Seville Ward
Cr J Everts	Seville Ward
Cr J A Stewart	Westfield Ward
Cr R C Stubbs	Roleystone Ward
Cr D L Hopper JP	Roleystone Ward

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr A F Maxwell	Acting Chief Executive Officer
Mr JHA Adderley	Executive Director Development Services
Mr A Bruce	Executive Director Technical Services
Mrs Y Ward	CEO's Acting Executive Assistant
Public:	4
Press:	1

APOLOGIES: Apology received from the Chief Executive Officer, Mr R S Tame.

MOVED Cr Munn that the apology be received.

47/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

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

Nil

4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr Whetters, 2 Bullockbush Road, Kelmscott

Question-1

I refer to page 13 of the Development Services Committee Minutes relating to the use of zincalume material (Lot 211, Brookton Highway, Roleystone). In the report Council Officers have recommended approval for the use of zincalume but at last week's Committee meeting, the Committee recommended refusal to the building. In the interim period, I have written to each of the Councillors, requesting that if they have any issues could they please contact me. Nobody has taken up the offer and as of late this afternoon, no Councillor has contacted Mr Townson. Have any other Councillors been to the site apart from Cr Stubbs and if not, how is it possible to overturn the officer's expert recommendation without visiting the site?

The Mayor advised that it was difficult for him to answer either question, given both were of a nature requiring an individual response from each Councillor. Crs Hopper, Green, Everts, Clowes-Hollins and Zelones indicated that they had visited the site. Cr Hopper added that the matter is the subject of Council policy.

The Mayor advised that it would appear that the majority of Councillors had been to the site and as Cr Hopper had correctly pointed out, there exists a Council policy that basically makes it the exception rather than the rule for zincalume to be used by properties on slopes. Other Councillors are approaching the issue based on their knowledge of the policy.

Question time declared closed at 7. 38pm.

5 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

5.1 Request for Leave of Absence – Cr Munn

Request from Cr Munn for leave of absence from attendance at City Strategy Committee Meetings to be held on 12 March, 9 April, 14 May and 11 June 2002, due to work commitments.

MOVED Cr Fletcher:

Request for leave of absence by Cr Munn from attendance at City Strategy Committee Meetings to be held on 12 March, 9 April, 14 May and 11 June 2002, be received and granted.

48/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

6 PETITIONS

Nil

7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

PREVIOUS ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD ON 4 FEBRUARY 2002

CORRECTION:

Page 10 8.7 Dale Cottages Retirement Village Inc. – 14 New Beds

In the fourth line – the reference to Trudi Hodges to read “Cr Trudi Hodges”.

MOVED Cr Stewart that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 4 February 2002, subject to the above correction, be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

49/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

8. GRIEVANCE ISSUE

Cr Stewart advised that the matter of grievance pertained to a letter received from the Minister for Planning & Infrastructure, stating:

“That she is disturbed to hear that at a recent meeting of Council it was suggested by a Councillor that I was not supportive of the project

of the development of the Aquatic Centre by the construction of an indoor facility. "I have to say that is complete and utter nonsense."

Cr Stewart advised:

"My grievance, Mr Mayor and fellow Councillors, being that it infers, it is my belief, that I am the Councillor, that suggested that she does not support the indoor facility or that some other Councillor did, and that without seeking clarification decided to send this letter to the Mayor.

To that end I need to clarify some historical truths:

- As far as Council is officially aware, I am the only Councillor to meet with the Minister on this issue. During December I received, through my Councillor's pouch, a letter from the Minister requesting a meeting with her to further develop the Aquatic Centre proposal as Chairman of Community Services Committee. I contacted her office and stated I would not be available until January.*
- A date and time was fixed at January 25th at 2.00 pm. On arriving I was somewhat surprised to see a representative of the Kelmscott Swimming Club in attendance, however, the meeting went ahead and the Minister put forward her position. Her position of support for the indoor facility - that we have a window of opportunity over the next two years, that we are a Regional Centre and we are not much different from other Councils that have these facilities - Gosnells, Cockburn, Canning etc. It is a hot land-locked area with a growing population and so forth.*
- I put Council's position - that it does not appear as part of our Strategic Plan, it does not appear as part of our Five Year Forward Plan and remains uninitiated and unfunded. At the nearest opportunity I contacted the Mayor to apprise him of the meaning and the contents of it. I reported to him that I had stated Council's position (not mine), that it does not appear on the Five Year Plan and is not part of the Strategic Plan and remains uninitiated and unfunded. I also stated that the Minister put her position of support for the indoor facility - that we have a window of opportunity over the next two years, we are a Regional Centre, we are not much different from the other Councils that have these facilities etc.*
- I subsequently reported to Council, through its Committee system, with eight Councillors present and Chief Executive Officer, the relevant points raised at the meeting. That the Minister supports the development of an indoor aquatic centre; that we have a*

window of opportunity. I also informed Council, through the Committee system, that I had put Council's position that it does not appear on our Five Year Forward Plan etc. So this is somewhat puzzling. I am given two verbal reports and the second one in a public arena and receive a letter stating that someone said the opposite, being me, of what the record clearly shows.

- *The report of my meeting with the Minister was tersely, but nonetheless, I believe, wisely reported that way in the Minutes of Council. Ironically enough, a Councillor that was present at the Committee Meeting suggested to officers that the Minister's position of support for the Aquatic Centre, as pronounced by Cr Stewart, could have been profiled in the report to Council. Wisely the officer stated it would be more prudent not to profile any one point that would give preference to one position rather than another.*
- *On the night of the same Council Meeting that the Minutes were presented, a debate ensued as to whether Council should allow the placing of a petition in the Libraries pertaining to the Indoor Aquatic facility. During the debate, a point was made that the Minister had proffered financial support. In my presentation, I quite clearly stated that at the meeting I had with the Minister, no mention was made of money. No figures were given as to what the Government would pledge. Not \$1M, not 50 cents.*

Now that is what occurred and it seems Mr Mayor that someone has told the Minister that a Councillor has said you do not support the Centre and that without recourse as to clarification either from your good self or others, myself included, the Minister has sent forth this letter to the Mayor."

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ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PERSON PRESIDING WITHOUT DISCUSSION

9.1 CY O'Connor Village Opening

On Thursday, 7 February 2002, in the absence of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, Cr Hodges represented Council at the official opening of the CY O'Connor Village. Cr Zelones performed the Master of Ceremonies duties at the opening and Cr Knezevich, in his position as a Member of the Board, was also in attendance.

9.2 Meeting with Rowing/Canoeing Representatives – Champion Lakes

On Friday, 8 February 2002, a meeting with parties interested in the development of rowing and canoeing at Champion Lakes occurred. It was pleasing to have not only support from the WA Rowing Association but also the National Rowing body, with their Chief Executive Officer and President in attendance, as was a representative of Canoeing Australia. Some of the time lines associated with the construction of the Tonkin Highway are such that an early decision on the development of a rowing course will become important if soil from that site is to be used. Whilst the Armadale Redevelopment Authority is getting underway, Council and Department of Planning & Infrastructure project staff will continue to progress the issue associated with the development, in particular the Public Environmental Review will be required by the Environmental Protection Authority. It is understood it will take some 12 months to reach that stage.

9.3 Armadale Redevelopment Authority Board Membership

On Wednesday, 13 February 2002, the Minister for Planning & Infrastructure announced membership of the Armadale Redevelopment Authority Board. The membership of the Community Advisory Committee maybe announced to Council shortly.

9.4 Meeting with Police & Citizens' Youth Clubs State Board

On Tuesday, 19 February 2002, a number of Councillors and senior staff will be meeting with the Police & Citizens' Youth Clubs State Board. It is an important meeting because it is hoped that the outcome will be acceptance by PCYC of a new and innovative management model for the Recreation Centre which will benefit all parties.

10 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN - WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil

11 REPORTS

11.1 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

Report of the Development Services Committee held on 11 February 2002.

CORRECTION:

Page 40 Recommendation D21/02 – Proposed 12 Single Bedroom Dwellings – Lots 3 & 52 Forrest Road, Armadale

In the last line:

“Cr Stubbs, Cr Everts and Cr Munn did not return when the meeting reconvened” to be amended to read:

“Cr Stubbs, Cr Everts and Cr Munn were not present when the meeting reconvened”.

MOVED Cr Zelones that the Report, subject to the above correction, be received.

50/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT

Recommendation D21/02 – Proposed 12 Single Bedroom Dwellings – Lots 3 and 52, Forrest Road, Armadale

MOVED Cr Zelones that Recommendation D21/02 be amended by the addition of (2) dot points, as follows:

- Front setback - reduction of 3 metres in lieu of 6 metres is inconsistent with the existing setback of adjoining and surrounding residences;
- The location of the visitor car parking spaces within the front setback does not comply with Clause 3.3.3 of Council’s Grouped Housing Development Policy.

51/2002 AMENDMENT not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

MOVED Cr Zelones that Recommendation D21/02, as amended, be adopted.

52/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

Recommendation D30/02 – Erade Village – Proposed Incubator Units

Cr Knezevich declared an interest in Recommendation D30/02 on the basis that he is a member of the Immunogenetics Research Foundation Inc. (Board representing C.Y. O’Connor Erade Village).

Cr Knezevich left the meeting.

MOVED Cr Zelones that Recommendation D30/02 be adopted.

53/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

Cr Knezevich returned to the meeting.

Recommendation D32/02 – Pioneer Village – Lot 100, Albany Highway, Armadale

MOVED Cr Fletcher that Recommendation D32/02 be amended by the addition of a part (5):

5. That the prospective property owner of the Pioneer Village be commended for the work undertaken to date to secure and maintain the Village.

OPPOSED Cr Hodges
SECONDED Cr Cumming

MOTION DECLARED LOST (2-12)

MOVED Cr Green that Recommendation D32/02 be dealt with in conjunction with the matter appearing in the Chief Executive Officer's report regarding the Pioneer Village.

54/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

MOVED Cr Zelones that Recommendations D17/02 to D33/02, except those already dealt with, be adopted.

55/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

11.2 CITY STRATEGY COMMITTEE

Report of the City Strategy Committee held on 12 February 2002.

CORRECTIONS:

Page 5 Question Time to be recorded as having been dealt with prior to the attendance of the Deputation and the recommendation following.

Page 31 Councillors' Items – Cr Clowes-Hollins – Yahoo Website

Reference to item and part (b) of the recommendation to be deleted – administrative matter.

MOVED Cr Hodges that the Report, subject to the above corrections, be received.

56/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT

Recommendation CS17/02 – After-Hours Telephone Service

MOVED Cr Zelones that Recommendation CS17/02 be amended by the addition of a part (2):

2. That Councillors continue to use the current after-hours/emergency phone number pending any further report from the Chief Executive Officer.

57/2002 AMENDMENT not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

MOVED Cr Zelones that Recommendation CS17/02, as amended, be adopted.

58/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

MOVED Cr Hodges that Recommendations CS9/02 to CS18/02, except those already dealt with, be adopted.

59/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

11.3 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Report of the Chief Executive Officer as at 14 February 2002

MOVED Cr Cominelli that the report be received.

60/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

11.3.1 Councillors' Information Bulletin – Issues No. 4/2002

MOVED Cr Munn:

That Council acknowledge receipt of Issue No. 4/2002 of the Information Bulletin.

61/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

11.3.2 Financial Report for the (7) Months ended 31 January 2002

MOVED Cr Cumming:

The Statutory Financial Report for the (7) month period ended 31 January 2002, as presented at Attachment "A-1" to this report be referred to the next Community Services Committee Meeting for assessment and review.

62/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

MOVED Cr Green that Standing Orders be suspended to enable Council to debate matters pertaining to the Pioneer Village.

63/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

Discussion took place in regard to the various matters relating to the Pioneer Village.

MOVED Cr Hodges that Standing Orders be resumed.

64/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

Recommendation D32/02 – Pioneer Village – Lot 100, Albany Highway, Armadale

MOVED Cr Zelones that Recommendation D32/02 be adopted.

65/2002 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (14-0)

11.3.3 Pioneer Village

MOVED Cr Munn:
SECONDED Cr Zelones

That Council make the \$10,000 contribution requested towards the Liquidator's costs associated with sale of the Pioneer Village on the basis that the prescribed conditions of contribution, namely:-

- ◆ a clarification of intent from the Village;
- ◆ the community benefit of the Village reopening;
- ◆ contributions by other agencies towards reduction of settlement costs;

have been met and positively demonstrated.

MINUTES CONFIRMED THIS 5th DAY OF MARCH 2002

MAYOR
