



COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES OF MEETING Monday, 18 December 2017

Present

Council Members

The Mayor, Councillor Kevin Greene
Deputy Mayor, Councillor Kathryn Landsberry
Councillor Stephen Agius
Councillor Vince Badalati
Councillor Sam Elmir
Councillor Sandy Grekas
Councillor Con Hindi
Councillor Nick Katris
Councillor Lou Konjarski
Councillor Nancy Liu
Councillor Leesha Payor
Councillor Colleen Symington
Councillor Warren Tegg
Councillor Christina Wu

Council Staff

General Manager, Ms Gail Connolly
Director Assets and Infrastructure, Mr Laurie O'Connor
Director Environment and Planning, Ms Meryl Bishop
Director Community and Culture, Mr David Tuxford
Chief Operating Officer, Ms Carole Todd
Director Transformation and Change, Ms Marissa Racomelara
General Counsel, Ms Jenny Ware
Executive Manager, Office of the General Manager, Ms Rebekah Schulz
Head of Executive Services, Ms Jennifer Anderson
Executive Services Officer, Mr Tom Christophersen
Coordinator Technology, Mr Brendan Scott
Executive Manager, Ms Fiona Campbell

Opening

The Mayor, Councillor Kevin Greene, opened the meeting at 7.05pm.

National Anthem

The National Anthem was sung at the commencement of the meeting.

Prayer

Mr Michael Fernandes, Acolyte and Parish Ministry Coordinator of Mater Dei and St. Raphael's Parish, Blakehurst, offered a prayer to the meeting.

Acknowledgement of Country

The Mayor acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land, the Bidjegal people.

Apologies

Resolved: Councillor Hindi and Councillor Tegg

That apologies be accepted from Councillor Kastanias.

Mayoral Minute

MM04: The Inaugural Georges River Council Christmas Lights Competition

Resolved: Councillor Greene and Councillor Badalati

That Council adopt the prize-winners for each category as listed below, for the inaugural 2017 Georges River Council Christmas Lights Competition.

Best Residential Christmas Lights Display in Blakehurst Ward

- Winner: Mrs Lidija Vasilevski, 16 Currawang Street, Carss Park

Best Residential Christmas Lights Display in Hurstville Ward

- Winner: Mr John Kovacevic, 78 Hodge Street, Hurstville

Best Residential Christmas Lights Display in Kogarah Bay Ward

- Winner: Mr Salvatore Sellitto, 3 Souter Street, Kogarah Bay

Best Residential Christmas Lights Display in Peakhurst Ward

- Winner: Mrs Vicky Digiglio, 46 Rainbow Parade, Peakhurst Heights

Best Overall Residential Christmas Lights Display

- Winner: Mr Salvatore Sellitto, 3 Souter Street, Kogarah Bay

Best Business Christmas Lights Display

- Winner: Mrs Diana Stojanovska, Povelj Deli Café, 15 Frederick Street, Oatley

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Condolences:

Passing of Violet Ajaka

That Council express its condolences to The Hon John Ajaka, MLC, on the passing of his mother, Violet Ajaka.

Passing of Kevin Whitten

That Council express its condolences to the family of Mr Kevin Whitten, local Lugarno (Chivers Hill) businessman.

Passing of Sok Mallios

That Council express its condolences to the family of Mr Sok Mallios, former Chairman and Director of St. George Football Association.

Matters of Privilege

Councillor Hindi passed on his congratulations to **The Mayor**, Councillor Greene, on foregoing the use of any Mayoral vehicle and associated expenses.

Disclosure of Interest

COUNCILLOR KATRIS DECLARED A PECUNIARY INTEREST IN ITEM CCL242-17 ADOPTION OF KOGARAH NORTH PRECINCT DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN AMENDMENT FOR THE REASON THAT HIS OFFICE HAS AND IS STILL PROVIDING UNRELATED ARCHITECTURAL CONSULTANCY SERVICES TO PERSONS WHO HAVE AN INTEREST IN SITES THAT ARE LOCATED WITHIN THE KOGARAH NORTH PRECINCT. COUNCILLOR KATRIS LEFT THE MEETING DURING THIS ITEM AND DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN DISCUSSIONS OR VOTING ON THIS ITEM.

COUNCILLOR KATRIS DECLARED A PECUNIARY INTEREST IN ITEM ASS002-17 ITEM TAC149-17 JAMES STREET, BLAKEHURST – PROPOSED “WORK ZONE” ADJACENT TO 623 PRINCES HIGHWAY FOR THE REASON THAT HIS OFFICE HAS AND IS STILL PROVIDING UNRELATED ARCHITECTURAL CONSULTANCY SERVICES TO PERSONS WHO HAVE AN INTEREST IN THE SITE THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS ITEM. COUNCILLOR KATRIS LEFT THE MEETING DURING THIS ITEM AND DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN DISCUSSIONS OR VOTING ON THIS ITEM

THE MAYOR, COUNCILLOR GREENE, DECLARED A NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST IN ITEM FIN386-17 TENDER FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PENSHURST PARK INDOOR CRICKET CENTRE AS HE IS PRESIDENT OF ST. GEORGE CRICKET ASSOCIATION AND THE DIRECTOR OF CRICKET NEW SOUTH WALES. THE MAYOR, COUNCILLOR GREENE LEFT THE MEETING DURING THIS ITEM AND DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN DISCUSSIONS OR VOTING ON THIS ITEM.

THE MAYOR, COUNCILLOR GREENE, AND THE GENERAL MANAGER DECLARED NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN ITEM CCL247-17 GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS 2018 AS THEY KNEW MANY OF THE ENTRANTS. THESE DECLARATIONS WERE MADE AS REQUIRED, DURING JUDGING OF THE ENTRANTS FOR THE AWARDS.

COUNCILLOR BADALATI ADVISED HE WAS WITHDRAWING NOTICE OF MOTION ITEM - NM035-17 – CONSTRUCTION OF A CAFÉ/RESTAURANT FACILITY IN OATLEY PARK.

COUNCILLOR HINDI AND COUNCILLOR KATRIS LEFT THE MEETING AT 7.21PM.

PUBLIC ADDRESSES TO THE MEETING

ITEM	SPEAKER
CCL242-17 ADOPTION OF KOGARAH NORTH DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN AMENDMENT RESOLVED: COUNCILLOR BADALATI AND COUNCILLOR	MAURICE GRIFFITHS

<p>GREKAS</p> <p>THAT COUNCIL GRANT AN EXTENSION OF TIME OF THREE MINUTES TO MR. GRIFFITHS.</p> <p>RECORD OF VOTING:</p> <p>FOR THE MOTION: UNANIMOUS</p>	
<p>COUNCILLOR HINDI AND COUNCILLOR KATRIS RETURNED TO THE MEETING AT 7.24PM.</p>	
<p>CCL244-17</p> <p>AMENDMENT NO.8 TO DCP NO. 2 – HURSTVILLE CITY CENTRE FOR 108, 112 AND 124 FOREST ROAD AND 1 AND 3 WRIGHT STREET, HURSTVILLE (THE “BING LEE” SITE).</p>	<p>GEORGE EL KHOURI (EL KHOURI ARCHITECTS)</p>
<p>CCL244-17</p> <p>AMENDMENT NO.8 TO DCP NO. 2 – HURSTVILLE CITY CENTRE FOR 108, 112 AND 124 FOREST ROAD AND 1 AND 3 WRIGHT STREET, HURSTVILLE (THE “BING LEE” SITE).</p>	<p>NEIL DURBACH (DURBACH BLOCK JAGGERS ARCHITECTS)</p>
<p>NM032-17</p> <p>SUPPORT FOR CRISIS ACCOMMODATION IN THE GEORGES RIVER LOCAL AREA.</p>	<p>NATALIA ESDAILE-WATTS (VICTIMS OF DV)</p>
<p>PROCEDURAL MOTION</p> <p>RESOLVED: COUNCILLOR TEGG AND COUNCILLOR SYMINGTON THAT STANDING ORDERS BE SUSPENDED IN ORDER FOR MELINA AMERASINGHE TO SPEAK TO WITHDRAWN NOTICE OF MOTION: <u>NM035-17 – CONSTRUCTION OF A CAFÉ/RESTAURANT FACILITY IN OATLEY PARK.</u></p> <p>RECORD OF VOTING:</p> <p>FOR THE MOTION: UNANIMOUS</p>	
<p>NM035-17</p> <p>CONSTRUCTION OF CAFÉ/RESTAURANT FACILITY IN OATLEY PARK. (NOTICE OF MOTION WITHDRAWN).</p>	<p>MELINA AMERASINGHE (OATLEY FLORA AND FAUNA SOCIETY)</p>
<p>PROCEDURAL MOTION</p> <p>RESOLVED: COUNCILLOR TEGG AND COUNCILLOR SYMINGTON THAT STANDING ORDERS BE RESUMED.</p> <p>RECORD OF VOTING:</p> <p>FOR THE MOTION: UNANIMOUS</p>	
<p>NM028-17</p> <p>CONSTRUCTION OF REGIONAL ATHLETICS FACILITY.</p>	<p>ALIA KARAMAN (ST GEORGE DISTRICT ATHLETICS CLUB)</p>
<p>THE MAYOR, COUNCILLOR GREENE LEFT THE MEETING AT</p>	

7.40PM AND DEPUTY MAYOR, COUNCILLOR LANDSBERRY ASSUMED THE CHAIR.

FIN386-17

TENDER FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE PENSHURST PARK INDOOR CRICKET CENTRE.

KATHRYN
SKELSEY
(SAVE OUR
PARKS, TREES
AND WILDLIFE)

THE MAYOR, COUNCILLOR GREENE RETURNED TO THE MEETING AT 7.44PM AND RESUMED THE CHAIR.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

COUNCIL MEETING - 27 NOVEMBER 2017

Resolved: Councillor Elmir and Councillor Katris

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 27 November 2017, as previously made available to each Councillor, be adopted.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Committee Reports

CCL238-17 Report of the Finance and Governance Committee - Meeting held on 11 December 2017

Resolved: Councillor Elmir and Councillor Symington

That the Committee recommendations for items FIN387-17 to FIN398-17 (inclusive) and be adopted by Council in accordance with the delegations set out in the Terms of Reference for the Finance and Governance Standing Committee.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Resolved: Councillor Elmir and Councillor Grekas

That the Committee recommendation for item CON025-17 – Request for Tender No. F17/287 – Provision of Animal Management Services be adopted by Council in accordance with the delegations set out in the Terms of Reference for the Finance and Governance Standing Committee.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Resolved: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Elmir

That item CON026-17 - Property Matter Sans Souci Bathers Pavilion be considered in closed session at the end of the meeting.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

The Mayor, Councillor Greene, left the meeting at 7.47pm having previously declared an interest in Item FIN386-17 and the Deputy Chair, Councillor Landsberry assumed the Chair..

Resolved: Councillor Elmir and Councillor Grekas

That the Committee recommendation for item FIN386-17, be adopted by Council in accordance with the delegations set out in the Terms of Reference for the Finance and Governance Standing Committee.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

The Mayor, Councillor Greene, returned to the meeting at 7.48pm and resumed the Chair.

CCL239-17 Report of the Environment and Planning Committee - Meeting held on 11 December 2017

Resolved: Councillor Katris and Councillor Badalati

- (a) That the Committee recommendations for items ENV010-17 and ENV012 to ENV015-17 (inclusive) be adopted by Council in accordance with the delegations set out in the Terms of Reference for the Environment and Planning Standing Committee.
- (b) That item ENV011-17 Amendment No. 8 to DCP No. 2 –Hurstville City Centre for 108,112 and 124 Forest Road and 1 and 3 Wright Street Hurstville, be dealt with in conjunction with item CCL244-17 later in the meeting.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Councillor Katris left the meeting at 7.51pm having previously declared an interest in the item ASS002-17.

CCL240-17 Report of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee - Meeting held on 11 December 2017

Resolved: Councillor Grekas and Councillor Konjarski

That the Committee recommendation for items ASS001-17 and ASS002-17 be adopted by Council in accordance with the delegations set out in the Terms of Reference for the Assets and Infrastructure Standing Committee:

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Councillor Katris returned to the meeting at 7.52pm.

CCL241-17 Report of the Community and Culture Committee - Meeting held on 11 December 2017

Resolved: Councillor Landsberry and Councillor Hindi

That the Committee recommendations for all items COM041-17 and COM042-17 be adopted by Council in accordance with the delegations set out in the Terms of Reference for the Community and Culture Standing Committee.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Resolved: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Hindi

That item COM040 – Draft Georges River Council Events Strategy, be deferred for consideration at a future Councillor Workshop.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Environment and Planning**CCL242-17 Adoption of Kogarah North Precinct Development Control Plan Amendment****Resolved:** Councillor Hindi and Councillor Badalati

- (a) That the DCP amendment be adopted with Section 9 to be amended to reflect a maximum building height of 33m (as per the Kogarah LEP 2012).
- (b) That Council rescind the Council resolution of 7 August 2017 which resulted in a policy of a height variation of 20% (39m) in the Precinct.
- (c) That Council pursuant to Clause 21(1)(b) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulations adopt the development control plan – being the “Kogarah Development Control Plan 2012 (Kogarah North Amendment)”, amended in accordance with (a) above.
- (d) That Council pursuant to Clause 21(2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 give public notice of its decision to approve the Kogarah Development Control Plan 2012 (Kogarah North Amendment) in a local newspaper within 28 days after the decision is made.
- (e) That Council endorse a detailed review be undertaken (at the applicant/owners costs) with respect to consideration of the heritage listing of No’s 14-16 Victoria Street, Kogarah, and should it be identified that the properties do not have heritage value that a Planning Proposal be prepared (at the applicant’s cost) to Kogarah LEP 2012 to remove the heritage listing from the properties.
- (f) That the General Manager prepare a report to Council in early 2018 that explores a range of incentives to encourage design excellence of development/built form throughout the Local Government Area, including:
 - (i) an initial priority focus on areas subject to high levels of development activity such as the Hurstville and Kogarah CBDs, Rocky Point Road and the Princes Highway; and
 - (ii) incentive provisions that may be incorporated into Council’s Voluntary Planning Agreements Policy to encourage urban design excellence.
- (g) That the General Manager prepare a report for Council consideration on the options available for encouraging a higher percentage of family friendly apartments (containing two and three bedrooms) within the Kogarah North Precinct, including any cost implications of reduction or waiving of Section 94 Contributions.
- (h) That the General Manager be delegated to undertake minor amendments to the draft Development Control Plan – Kogarah North Precinct in order to assist with the interpretation of the provisions of the Plan and provide clarification of the controls.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Councillor Katris returned to the meeting at 7.55pm.

CCL243-17 Planning Proposal PP2017/0002 - 12-14 Pindari Road, Peakhurst Heights**Resolved:** Councillor Badalati and Councillor Hindi

- (a) That Council forward the Planning Proposal to amend Hurstville Local Environmental Plan 2012 (HLEP 2012) as follows, to the delegate of the Greater Sydney Commission for a Gateway Determination under Section 56 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979:

- a. To change the land use zoning from SP2 Church and Community Purpose to R2 Low Density Residential;
- b. To include a maximum Floor Space Ratio (FSR) control of 1:1;
- c. To include a maximum building height of 9m; and
- d. To amend Schedule 1 to include the following additional uses for the site: office premises; restaurant or café.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

CCL244-17 Amendment No. 8 to DCP No. 2 - Hurstville City Centre for 108, 112 and 124 Forest Road and 1 and 3 Wright Street, Hurstville (the "Bing Lee" site)

ENV011-17 Amendment No. 8 to DCP No. 2 - Hurstville City Centre for 108, 112 and 124 Forest Road and 1 and 3 Wright Street, Hurstville (the "Bing Lee" site)

Resolved: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Katris

That the matter be deferred for consideration at a future Councillor Workshop.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Finance and Governance

CCL245-17 Fraud and Corruption Control Policy and Plan

Resolved: Councillor Elmir and Councillor Grekas

- (a) That the Fraud and Corruption Control Policy as attached to the report be adopted.
- (b) That the Fraud and Corruption Control Plan as attached to the report be received and noted.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

CCL246-17 Quarterly Budget Review Statement to 30 September 2017

Resolved: Councillor Elmir and Grekas

- (a) That the report in relation to the September 2017 Quarterly Budget Review Statement be received and noted (noting that point 1, in the body of the report, should read 'first' quarter).
- (b) That the proposed budget variations as detailed in the report be approved.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Community and Culture**CCL247-17 Georges River Council Australia Day Awards 2018**

Resolved: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Grekas

That the matter be considered in confidential closed session at the end of the meeting.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Notices of Motion**NM025-17 Notice of Motion 25: Preparation of a Night Time Economy Study for Georges River**
(Councillor Liu)

Motion: Councillor Liu and Councillor Grekas

- (a) That Council commence the preparation of a Night Time Economy Study for the Georges River local government area in 2018 to help inform Council's long term vision for the city.
- (b) That the Study identify and measure the night time activities of the City's night time economy and identify potential economic or other actions for new plans, policy directions or investments by Council.
- (c) That the General Manager prepare a report detailing the proposed program for preparation of the Study including the timeframe, research, consultation program, and costs for preparation of the Study.
- (d) That funding for the commencement of the preparation of the Night Time Economy Study be considered as part of the 2018/2019 budget process.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Councillors Landsberry, Grekas, Payor, Agius, Konjarski, Tegg and Liu

Against the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Greene and Councillors Hindi, Wu, Badalati, Katris, Symington and Elmir

Voting being equal the Mayor exercised his casting vote for the status quo and therefore AGAINST the motion.

The Motion was therefore LOST.

Resolved: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Hindi

That Council request the Economic Development Advisory Committee to consider a Night Time Economy Study as part of the preparation of the Georges River Economic Development Strategy.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NM026-17 Notice of Motion 26: Preparation of a New Foreshore Strategy for Georges River

(Councillor Katris)

Resolved: Councillor Katris and Councillor Agius

- (a) That Council commence the preparation of a new Foreshore Strategy for the Georges River local government area to be presented to a future Councillor Workshop in 2018.
- (b) That the Foreshore Strategy address, amongst other things:
- (i) the identification of strategic links to regional open space and foreshore lands in adjoining local government areas;
 - (ii) opportunities to improve public access to all foreshore areas in the City, including private and publicly owned lands;
 - (iii) potential incentives (such as development, financial, property or otherwise) that could be introduced to encourage private properties to allow public access across their foreshore frontages;
 - (iv) opportunities to connect strategically important missing links between foreshore destinations in the City such as parks, swimming pools and baths and marinas.
- (c) That the General Manager prepare a report detailing the proposed program for preparation of the Foreshore Strategy including the timeframe, background research, community consultation program, options to pursue grant funding and costs for preparation of the Strategy.
- (d) That funding for the commencement of the preparation of the Foreshore Strategy be considered as part of the 2018/2019 budget process.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NM027-17 Notice of Motion 27: Energy Conservation and Sustainability Policy for Georges River

(Councillor Katris)

Resolved: Councillor Katris and Councillor Elmir

- (a) That the General Manager prepare a report to a future Councillor Workshop on the development of an Energy Conservation and Sustainability Policy within the Local Government Area in early 2018.
- (b) That the report include options for promoting the creation of environmentally resilient buildings, options for energy efficient upgrades to new and existing multi-storey buildings and sustainable design provisions that could be included within future Development Control Plans for the City.
- (c) That the report identify potential sources of funding and timeframes for the development and implementation of the Policy during 2018.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NM028-17 Notice of Motion 28: Construction of a Regional Athletics Facility in Georges River
(Councillor Hindi)

Resolved: Councillor Hindi and Councillor Elmir

- (a) That Council re-commence the process initiated by the former Hurstville Council to locate a suitable site within the Georges River local government area for the construction of a regional athletics facility.
- (b) That Council write to the State Member for Oatley, Mr Mark Coure, the State Member for Rockdale, Mr Steve Kamper MP, the State Member for Kogarah, Mr Chris Minns MP and the State Member for Lakemba, Mr Jihad Dib MP requesting their support and a funding contribution towards the construction of a regional athletics facility in the Georges River local government area.
- (c) That Council write to the Federal Member for Banks, Mr David Coleman MP thanking him for obtaining \$500,000 grant funding towards the construction of a regional athletics facility in Georges River and advise that Council is continuing to investigate options for a suitable site in the LGA.
- (d) That the site investigation and selection process have regard to current Council strategic initiatives that are under development including the Sport and Recreation Strategy, the Aquatic Facilities Strategy and the Synthetic Surfaces Action Plan.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NM029-17 Notice of Motion 29: Revitalisation of Mortdale Town Centre - Upgrade of Public Domain
(Councillor Hindi)

Resolved: Councillor Hindi and Councillor Tegg

- (a) That Council commence the planning and design work for the upgrade of the Mortdale Town Centre public domain with a view to commencing works in the 2018/19 financial year.
- (b) That Council commence consultation with local business owners to ascertain their views on priorities for upgrades, including timing and staging of works, design elements and pedestrian safety and accessibility.
- (c) That the St George Chamber of Commerce, the Local Traffic Committee and the NSW Police Local Area Command be consulted during the preparation of designs to determine their requirements for any upgrade.
- (d) That appropriate funding for the upgrade of the Mortdale Town Centre public domain be allocated during the preparation of the 2018/19 budget.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NM030-17 Notice of Motion 30: Georges River Independent Hearing and Assessment Panel (IHAP) - Operational Procedures
(Councillor Landsberry)

Resolved: Councillor Landsberry and Councillor Badalati

- a) That the Mayor write to the Minister for Planning, the Hon Anthony Roberts MP and the Secretary of the NSW Department of Planning and Environment, Ms Carolyn McNally to request that any Guidelines issued for the operation of IHAPs in NSW provide for the following:
- (i) The commencement time for IHAP meetings to be no earlier than 6pm to enable residents and other community members to attend outside of usual business hours;
 - (ii) That Panel deliberations occur in open session;
 - (iii) That decisions of the Panel be published on the same day as the meeting;
 - (iv) That IHAP meetings are scheduled on a regular basis to avoid any unnecessary delays to application determination times;
- (b) That the appointment of the Georges River IHAP Chairperson be undertaken as soon as possible to enable Council to establish the final operational procedures for the Panel in collaboration with the Chairperson, prior to the commencement of the new Panel in March 2018.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Councillor Konjarski left the meeting at 8.40pm and returned to the meeting at 8.43pm.

NM031-17 Notice of Motion 31: NSW Container Deposit Scheme (Return and Earn)
(Councillor Tegg)

Resolved: Councillor Tegg and Councillor Hindi

- (a) That the General Manager provide a report to Council in early 2018 which identifies ways in which Council can assist the community to participate in the NSW government's 'Return and Earn' Container Deposit Scheme.
- (b) The report should include a review of existing and proposed suitable locations for the placement of return kiosks within the City to ensure adequate coverage and also include an appropriate community engagement and education campaign.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NM032-17 Notice of Motion 32: Support for Crisis Accommodation in the Georges River Local Government Area
(Councillor Payor)

Resolved: Councillor Payor and Councillor Grekas

- a) That the Mayor write to the Minister for Family and Community Services, the Minister for Social Housing and the Minister for Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, the Hon Pru Goward MP requesting greater support for the provision of adequate crisis accommodation in the local government area for women and children who are at risk of, or are experiencing homelessness as a result of domestic violence; and

- b) That a report be prepared for Council in early 2018 to identify options available for Council to work with the NSW government and its agencies to facilitate the increased provision of crisis accommodation in the local government area.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NM033-17 Notice of Motion 33: National Anthem at Council Meetings
(Councillor Landsberry)

Resolved: Councillor Landsberry and Councillor Elmir

That the Mayor invite local schools within the Georges River Council local government area to submit recordings of student choirs or bands performing the Australian National Anthem, for presentation at the opening of Council Meetings.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NM034-17 Notice of Motion 34: Georges River Code of Meeting Practice
(Councillor Badalati)

Resolved: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Katris

That during the upcoming review of the Georges River Code of Meeting Practice in early 2018, Council consider the inclusion of appropriate amendments that provide for:

- (i) Rescission motions to be lodged with the General Manager up to 3 business days following the passing of a resolution by Council; and
- (ii) The inclusion of a multi-denominational prayer in the General Order of Business for Ordinary Meetings.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NM035-17 Notice of Motion 35: Construction of a Cafe/Restaurant Facility in Oatley Park
(Councillor Badalati)

MOTION: WITHDRAWN

General Business

Councillor Hindi wished the Council staff a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Councillor Hindi passed on his congratulations to the Council staff and thanked them for their effort and support of the Councillors since election.

The Mayor, Councillor Greene, wished the Council staff and Georges River community a happy holidays and also thanked the Councillors for their work in 2017. On behalf of the staff and Councillors, **The Mayor, Councillor Greene**, passed on his compliments of the season.

Confidential Consideration of Confidential items

Resolved: Councillor Symington and Councillor Tegg.

That Council move into Closed Session to consider the following items:

- CCL247-17 Georges River Council Australia Day Awards 2018
- CON026-17 Property Matter – Sans Souci Bathers Pavilion
- CON027-17 General Manager – Contract of Employment

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Open Council

Resolved: Councillor Elmir and Councillor Katris

That the meeting revert to Open Council.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Consideration of Recommendations from Closed Session

Resolved: Councillor Elmir and Councillor Katris

That the Closed session resolutions be reported in open Council.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

CCL247-17 Georges River Council Australia Day Awards 2018
(Report by Manager Communications, Customer Service and Events)

Resolved: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Tegg

- (a) That Council adopts the recommendations made by the judging panel for the 2018 Georges River Council Australia Day Awards which will be provided separately as a confidential addendum.
- (b) That all nominees and their families are invited to the Australia Day Awards civic reception on Monday 22 January 2018 at Georges River Council Civic Centre where the announcement of the winners will take place.
- (c) That the 2018 Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year and Volunteer of the Year are invited as special guests and publicly announced during the official proceedings at the Georges River Council Australia Day Festival on 26 January 2018 at Carss Bush Park.
- (d) That Council expands the Australia Day Awards in 2019 to include a fourth award category of "Sportsperson of the Year", in recognition of the sporting history of the Georges River area and provide the opportunity for the community to recognise contributors in this field.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

CON026-17 Property Matter - Sans Souci Bathers Pavilion

Resolved: The Mayor, Councillor Greene and Councillor Grekas

That Council notes that the Minister has not granted consent to the proposed lease with Blakehurst Marina Pty Ltd forwarded to it on 24 July 2015. As such consent is required under section 102 of the *Crown Lands Act 1989*, Council as the reserve trust manager cannot enter into any lease. Council consequently resolves as follows:

- i. That Council issue an expression of interest for an agreement to lease and lease of the Sans Souci Bathers Pavilion. The term of the lease being 21 years (inclusive of any option for renewal) commencing upon completion of those parts of the restoration works to the Sans Souci Bathers Pavilion to be carried out by Council. Any agreement for lease and lease is to be entered into subject to the consent of the Minister responsible for Crown Land.
- ii. That Council undertake the restoration works for the restoration of the Sans Souci Bathers Pavilion structure generally in accordance with approved development consent No. 233/12 and issue an open tender for a contractor to carry out these works.
- iii. That following assessment of the tenders to carry out the restoration works, a further report be submitted to Council, for Council to determine whether or not to accept a tender for the restoration works.
- iv. That the restoration works be funded from Council's Commercial Property Reserve.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

CON027-17 General Manager - Contract of Employment

Resolved: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Hindi

- (a) That Council renew the General Manager's appointment and a new contract of employment be offered for a 5 year term commencing January 2018.
- (b) That Council authorises the Mayor to negotiate the terms and conditions of the new contract of employment with the General Manager consistent with the Guidelines for the Appointment and Oversight of General Managers.
- (c) That Council authorise the Executive Manager, People and Culture to prepare the employment contract.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Conclusion

The Meeting was closed at 9.25pm.

Chairperson