



COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES OF MEETING Monday, 24 September 2018

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 and 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, Acting Director Community and Culture - Ms Rebekah Schulz, Director Business and Corporate Services - Mr David Tuxford, Director Transformation and Change - Ms Marissa Racomelara, Director Legal Services - Ms Jenny Ware, Acting Executive Manager - Office of the General Manager - Ms Samantha Charlton, Acting Head of Executive Services - Ms Vicki Hewitt, Executive Services Officer – Mr Neil Treadwell

Opening

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

National Anthem

All those present stood for the singing of the National Anthem.

Prayer

Pastor Peter Wallace from the Revival Life Centre offered a prayer to the meeting.

Acknowledgement of Country

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

Notice of Webcasting

The Mayor advised staff and the public that the meeting is being recorded for minute-taking purposes and is also webcast live on Council's website. This recording will be made available on Council's website.

Code of Meeting Practice

The order of business is as shown in the agenda.

Council's Code of Meeting Practice prohibits the electronic recording of meetings without the express permission of Council.

Apologies

Resolved: Councillor Hindi and Councillor Tegg

That apologies for Councillor Kastanias be accepted.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Disclosure of Interest

There were no disclosures of interest made.

Public Addresses to the Meeting

ITEM	SPEAKER
CCL049/FIN072-18: Proposed Disposal of Surplus Land – 21a Queens Road Connells Point	Greg Becker

Minutes of previous meetings**COUNCIL MEETING - 27 AUGUST 2018**

Resolved: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Liu

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 27 August 2018 be adopted.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Suspension of Standing Orders

Resolved: Councillor Greene and Councillor Landsberry

That Standing Orders be suspended to allow the presentation of a Service Award to Marisa Rodriguez, retiring Manager Children's Services for 16 years of dedicated service to Child Care Services.

Resumption of Standing Orders**Mayoral Minutes**

MM019-18 Council to Host a Free, World-Class Opera "La Bohème" at Marana Auditorium, Hurstville
(Report by The Mayor, Councillor Greene)

Resolved: Councillor Greene and Councillor Grekas

That Councillors promote this free world-famous opera event, La Bohème, throughout their networks and support Council's vision of making arts and culture accessible and inclusive in the Georges River area.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MM020-18 **Vale Mervyn "Merv" Evers**
(Report by The Mayor, Councillor Greene)

Resolved: Councillor Greene and Councillor Badalati

That Georges River Council formally recognise the significant contribution Mervyn Evers has made to the Georges River community. We thank him for representing our community with such determination and compassion.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Matters of Privilege

- **Condolences**

The Mayor, Councillor Greene – advised of the recent passing of Mr Greg Baratta a resident of Oatley West for many years where he and his wife Cath raised their six children. Mr Baratta was a local pharmacist who worked tirelessly in the community, often working up to 90 hours per week. Mr Baratta was well known for putting the needs of the community and his family before his own.

- **Other**

Councillor Grekas - acknowledged the achievements of the local sporting groups throughout the winter sports season including Connells Point Netball and Connells Point Rovers Football Club and Oatley Football Club. Councillor Grekas acknowledged the dedication of the players, coaches, managers, volunteers and parents during a successful season.

Councillor Konjarski – acknowledged the achievements St George City Football Club which was formed in 2016 and admitted into the State League where they were promoted to NSW MPL 3. During 2018, after being in the competition for only three years, St George City FC finished first in Club Championships and have now been promoted to the top tier. Councillor Konjarski acknowledged the Head of Football Mr Aytek Genc, Head Coach, Manny Spanoudakis and all the players in all age groups, their coaches and managers for their achievements.

The Mayor, Councillor Greene – advised he attended the St George Football Association Annual presentation and Connells Point Netball Club presentation and would like to congratulate all teams on their achievements.

Councillor Hindi – advised that he would be discussing a matter in the Committee of the Whole at the end of the meeting.

Committee Reports

CCL048-18 Report of the Environment and Planning Committee - Meeting held on 10 September 2018

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

Resolved: Councillor Katris and Councillor Tegg

That the Committee recommendations for items ENV032-18 to ENV035-18 (inclusive), detailed below, be adopted by Council.

ENV032-18 Economic Development Advisory Committee Minutes Monday 6 August 2018

That the recommendations contained within the Minutes of the Economic Development Advisory Committee held on 6 August 2018 be adopted by Council.

ENV033-18 Adoption of Notification and Advertising Development Control Plan - Amended Plans

- (a) That Council resolve, pursuant to Section 3.43 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, and in accordance with Clause 21 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000, to approve the following amendment to Hurstville Development Control Plan No.1 – Part 2.2, Hurstville Development Control Plan No.2 – Part 2.4 and Kogarah Development Control Plan 2013 – Part A2 relating to the notification of amended plans in undetermined development applications and controls around Class 1 development appeals and residential development appeals in the Land and Environment Court.

Where Council received amended plans prior to determination, Council will notify:

- (i) If an application is amended prior to determination, it will be re-notified if, in the opinion of the Council Officer, the amendments are considered to result in significant additional environmental impacts.
- (ii) The notification period may be reduced if, in the opinion of the Council officer, all persons affected by the change(s) have been given an opportunity to make a submission.
- (iii) The extent of the notification to be in accordance with notification area defined by this DCP, will include persons that made a previous submission and those persons who, in the opinion of the Council officer, may be affected.

Provisions for notification of amended plans in Class 1 development appeals in the Land and Environment Court:

- (b) In Class 1 development appeals the Court, rather than Council, is the consent authority.
- (i) If amended plans are submitted as part of a confidential conciliation conference and the Council's experts consider that they adequately address Council's concerns and can be approved, the amended plans will not be re-notified. This is because it is not a requirement of the Court and the resident objectors are not a party to the proceedings and the experts, in making their assessment, will have regard to the matters for consideration specified in section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment

Act 1979, including any submissions made.

- (ii) If the applicant is granted leave by the Court to rely on amended plans during the course of an appeal, the amended plans will be re-notified by Council if required under this DCP to the extent that the Court, in its discretion, determines that re-notification takes place.
- (c) That Council give public notice of the decision to approve the amendment to Hurstville Development Control Plan No.1, Hurstville Development Control Plan No.2 and Kogarah Development Control Plan 2013 in the local paper within 28 days in accordance with Clause 21 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000.
- (d) That the Mayor write to the Minister for Planning and the local members concerning the requirements of the Land and Environment Court in not renotifying amended plans and therefore not allowing residents a chance to comment on development within their neighbourhood.

ENV034-18 Establishment of a Fox Control/Eradication Program in the Georges River Local Government Area

- (a) That Council update its website, educating residents with information on the impact of foxes and how to minimise their impact in the urban environment.
- (b) That the General Manager investigate and provide a further report to Council on the Fox Scan Program, the future direction of the Sydney Pest Animal Action Network and the outcomes of discussions with Bayside Council, Sutherland Shire Council and National Parks Council and Local Land Services to investigate a joint program relating to integrated management of foxes in the Georges River Local Government Area.

ENV035-18 Amendment No. 9 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)

- (a) That Council resolve in accordance with Clause 21(1) (b) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000, to approve Amendment No. 9 to DCP No. 2 – Hurstville City Centre.
- (b) That Council give public notice of the decision to approve Amendment No. 9 to DCP No. 2 – Hurstville City Centre in the local paper in accordance with Clause 21(2) and (4) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000, stating that the amendment will commence upon the making of Hurstville Local Environmental Plan 2012 - Amendment No. 13.
- (c) That the Department of Planning and Environment be advised of Council's decision to approve Amendment No. 9 to DCP No. 2 – Hurstville City Centre in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.
- (d) That Council endorse the Director of Environment and Planning to make minor modifications to any numerical, typographical, interpretation and formatting errors, if required, in the finalisation of the draft plans.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

CCL049-18 Report of the Finance and Governance Committee - Meeting held on 10 September 2018
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

Resolved: Councillor Elmir and Councillor Landsberry

That the Committee recommendations for items FIN070-18, FIN071-18, FIN073-18, FIN074-18, FIN075-18, FIN076-18, FIN077-18, FIN079-18 and FIN004A-18 (excluding FIN069-18, FIN072-18 and FIN 078-18), detailed below, be adopted by Council.

FIN070-18 Delegations to the General Manager

- (a) That Council revoke all previous delegations granted to the General Manager by the Administrator on 6 June 2016.
- (b) That Council, in accordance with clause 131(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, fix the amount of rates and charges at \$10,000, above which any individual rate or charge may be written off only by resolution of the Council, equal to and below that amount can be written off by the General Manager.
- (c) That Council, in accordance with clause 213(3) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, fix the amount of debts at \$10,000, above which any individual debt to Council may be written off only by resolution of the Council, equal to and below that amount can be written off by the General Manager.
- (d) That Council, in accordance with section 380 of the Local Government Act 1993, delegate to the General Manager the General Manager's Delegations (Instrument of Delegation) as attached to this report.

FIN071-18 2018-19 Chief and Senior Executive Service - Annual Determination

- (a) That the determination by the Statutory and Other Officers Remuneration Tribunal in relation to the amount of increase of 2.5% in remuneration for senior executive office holder's in accordance with the Standard Contract for General Managers and Senior Staff through the Office of Local Government, be received and noted.
- (b) That the increase be implemented on the anniversary of the commencement date for the General Manager and Senior Staff.

FIN073-18 Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Minutes from 4 June 2018

That the Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on the 4 June 2018 provided as an Attachment 1, be noted.

FIN074-18 Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Independent Member Appointment Extension

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee endorsed recommendation for the extension of the appointment of independent member, Mr Stephen Horne, be approved by Council.

FIN075-18 Advice on Costs and Status of Council's Court Proceedings - August 2018

That the report, "Advice on Costs and Status of Council's Court Proceedings – August 2018", be received and noted.

FIN076-18 Draft Georges River Council Loan Borrowing Policy

- (a) That Council endorse the public exhibition of the Draft Georges River Council Loan

Borrowing Policy for a period of not less than 28 days to allow for community submissions on the policy.

- (b) That after the public exhibition period, a further report be provided detailing any submissions received and seeking the adoption of the Draft Georges River Council Loan Borrowing Policy.

FIN077-18 2017/18 Budget Expenditure Carry Over Requests

That Council adopt the list of carry overs from the 2017/2018 financial year budget for uncompleted works to enable these projects to be completed in the 2018/2019 budgeted financial year.

FIN079-18 Property and Rating Integration Project Closure Report

That Council received and note the report “Property and Rating Integration Project Closure”

FIN004A-18 Property Matter - Former Kogarah Council Civic Centre Building, 2 Belgrave Street Kogarah

- (a) That option C, “Retain and Lease out Property”, is adopted by Council.
- (b) That, following identification of the preferred option, a further report be provided to Council which includes detailed costings.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

FIN069-18 Provision of Additional Annual Leave (Grant Days) in 2018 - 2021 During the Festive Period

Resolved: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Hindi

That Council continues to provide three additional annual leave days to eligible staff in each festive period.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

FIN072-18 Property Matter - Proposed Disposal of Surplus Land - 21a Queens Road Connells Point, Lot E in DP373733

Resolved: Councillor Hindi and Councillor Katris

- (a) That the disposal of 21a Queens Road, Connells Point be deferred until a Foreshore Strategy is undertaken for the Georges River Council Local Government Area in accordance with NM026-17 dated 18 December 2017.
- (b) That 21a Queens Road, Connells Point continue to be leased on the current hold-over provisions of the existing tenure agreement pending adoption of the Foreshore Strategy.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Greene, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Hindi, Councillor Wu, Councillor Badalati, Councillor Symington, Councillor Katris, Councillor Agius, Councillor Payor

Against the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Grekas, Councillor Elmir, Councillor Liu, Councillor Tegg (abstained)

FIN078-18 Investment Report as at 31 July 2018

Resolved: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Hindi

That Council receive and note the “Investment Report as at 31 July 2018”.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

CCL050-18 Record of the Community and Culture Committee - Meeting held on 10 September 2018

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

Resolved: Councillor Landsberry and Councillor Katris

That the Committee recommendations for items COM034-18 and COM036-18 (excluding COM 035-18 and COM037-18), detailed below, be adopted by Council.

COM034-18 Georges River Council Draft Place Naming Policy

That Council adopt the attached Georges River Council Place Naming Policy.

COM036-18 Sponsorship and Donation Requests

- (a) That Council approve the sponsorship request of \$4,000 (financial support) for the South Asian Australian Association Inc. (SAAA) Diwali Mela event, to be held on Saturday 3 November 2018, at St George Girls High School, Kogarah.
- (b) That Council approve the additional sponsorship request of \$9,521 (financial support) for the Oatley Village Festival to be held on Saturday 20 October 2018, at Oatley Memorial Gardens.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

COM035-18 Hurstville Central Plaza Naming Competition

Resolved: Councillor Landsberry and Councillor Hindi

That consideration of this matter be deferred to a Councillor Briefing to enable a report to Council seeking approval of a suitable name prior to the opening of Hurstville Central Plaza.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

COM037-18 Women's Restroom Community Project - Share the Dignity

Resolved: Councillor Tegg and Councillor Landsberry

- (a) That Council approve a 12-month trial of a vending machine dispensing menstrual hygiene products to be supplied by registered charity Share the Dignity at Hurstville Library at no cost to Council.
- (b) That a review of the trial be reported to Council at the end of the 12-month trial period.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

CCL051-18 Report of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee - Meeting held on 10 September 2018

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

Resolved: Councillor Grekas and Councillor Agius

That the Committee recommendations for items ASS042-18 to ASS046-18 (inclusive), detailed below, be adopted by Council.

ASS042-18 Tender for Design Installation of Staged Drainage, Irrigation & Resurfacing at Gannons Park, Peakhurst - Stronger Communities Fund, Infrastructure Plus and S94A Funds

- (a) That Council, in accordance with Section 178 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 (NSW), accepts the Tender from the Total Earth Care Pty Ltd, in the amount of \$3,403,226 (excluding GST), after having regard to all the circumstances, as the tender that appears to be the most advantageous and appoint Renworx Pty Ltd as the Principal Contractor under the Contract Number T18/032 Tender for the Design Installation of Staged Drainage, Irrigation & Resurfacing at Gannons Park, Peakhurst.
- (b) That the General Manager be authorised to sign the Contracts with the preferred Contractors on behalf of Council.
- (c) That Council officers inform the unsuccessful Tenderers of the resolution to decline to accept those tenders.
- (d) That Council allocates the following funds for the Design Installation of Staged Drainage, Irrigation & Resurfacing at Gannons Park, Peakhurst.

Stronger Communities Fund	= \$1,000,000
Infrastructure Plus Funds (2018-2019)	= \$ 200,000
Former Hurstville Council Open Space S94 Plan	= \$ 700,000
Council Contribution to s94 funds	= \$ 300,000
Stormwater Levy (2019-2020)	= \$1,200,000

ASS043-18 Tender for Carss Park Foreshore Construction - Commonwealth

Government Grant – Improving Your Local Parks and Environment Fund and s94 Funds

- (a) That Council, in accordance with Section 178 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 (NSW), accepts the Tender from Total Earth Care Pty Ltd, in the amount of \$2,456,801 (excluding GST), after having regard to all the circumstances, as the tender that appears to be the most advantageous and appoint the Total Earth Care Pty Ltd as the Principal Contractor under the Contract Number T18/028 Carss Park Foreshore Construction.
- (b) That the General Manager be authorised to sign the Contracts with the preferred Contractors on behalf of Council.
- (c) That Council officers inform the unsuccessful Tenderers of the resolution to decline to accept those tenders.
- (d) That Council allocates \$500,000 from the Kogarah Section 94 Contribution Plan No. 5 – Open Space Embellishment 2007 towards the cost of the works.

ASS044-18 Provision of Synthetic Surface for Olds Park Field 2

That the report “Provision of Synthetic Surface for Olds Park Field 2” be received and noted.

ASS045-18 Upgrade and / or Replacement of the Existing Amenities Building at Olds Park, Mortdale

That the report “Upgrade and /or Replacement of the Existing Amenities Building at Olds Park, Mortdale” be received and noted.

ASS046-18 Georges River Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting - 4 September 2018

That the recommendations contained within the minutes of the Georges River Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting held on 4 September 2018 be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Environment and Planning

CCL052-18 Georges River Council Draft Tree Management Policy 2018 (Report by Director Environment and Planning)

Resolved: Councillor Hindi and Councillor Payor

- (a) That Council endorse the Draft Tree Management Policy to be placed on public exhibition for 28 days and during the exhibition period consultation occurs with key stakeholder groups such as Oatley Flora and Fauna Conservation Society, Miles Dunphy Reserve Backyard, Kogarah Bay Progress Association and other environmental groups.
- (b) That Council review the Draft Tree Management Policy within 6 months of completion of the Georges River Urban Forest Strategy.
- (c) That the General Manager be delegated to make formatting changes, editing and other minor amendments to the draft Policy prior to it being placed on public exhibition.
- (d) That Council endorse an amendment to the Georges River Council 2018/19 Schedule of

Fees and Charges Section 1.11 Tree Management to insert the items:

- *Offset Fee or Tree Replacement* (per tree) - \$2,250.
- *Review of Tree Removal and Pruning application*
Stage 1 Review - \$70
Stage 2 Review - \$140

(e) That the amendment to the Georges River Council Schedule of Fees and Charges as outlined in (d) be placed on public exhibition for 28 days in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act. If no submissions are received the fees will be considered adopted as exhibited, however if submissions are received a further report will be submitted to Council.

(f) That following the public exhibition of the Draft Tree Management Policy a Councillor Workshop be held to provide an overview of the comments raised by the community on the provisions within the Draft Policy.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Finance and Governance

CCL053-18 Applications Pursuant to Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund Policy (Report by Acting Executive Manager, Office of the General Manager)

Resolved: Councillor Elmir and Councillor Badalati

That the following applications for funding, pursuant to the Councillors Ward Discretionary Fund Policy, be approved:

- i. Application submitted by Councillor Agius on behalf of St George Warriors Football Club in the amount of \$1500.
- ii. Application submitted by Councillor Badalati on behalf of Kingsgrove Cricket Club in the amount of \$1500.
- iii. Application submitted by Councillor Badalati on behalf of Kingsgrove Colts Junior Rugby League Football Club in the amount of \$1500.
- iv. Application submitted by Councillor Badalati on behalf of Hurstville City Minotaurs Soccer Club in the amount of \$1500.
- v. Application submitted by Councillor Grekas on behalf of the Bower Re Use and Repair Centre Cooperative in the amount of \$600.
- vi. Application submitted by Councillor Grekas on behalf of Connells Point Netball Club in the amount of \$1000.
- vii. Application submitted by Councillor Kastanias on behalf of All Saints Oatley West Soccer Club in the amount of \$1000.
- viii. Application submitted by Councillor Kastanias on behalf of Residents' Organisation at Riverwood (ROAR) in the amount of \$1000.
- ix. Application submitted by Councillor Kastanias on behalf of Australian Bangladesh

Sports and Cultural Association in the amount of \$1000.

- x. Application submitted by Councillor Kastanias on behalf of the Rotary Club of St Georges Next Gen in the amount of \$1000.
- xi. Application submitted by Councillor Konjarski on behalf of Penshurst West Football Club in the amount of \$1500.
- xii. Application submitted by Councillor Landsberry on behalf of Steve Lopes (Artist in Residence – Introductory Program) in the amount of \$500.
- xiii. Application submitted by Councillor Landsberry on behalf of Tetsuya Mori (Artist in Residence – Introductory Program) in the amount of \$500.
- xiv. Application submitted by Councillor Landsberry on behalf of Vittoria Oriana (Artist in Residence – Introductory Program) in the amount of \$500.
- xv. Application submitted by Councillor Symington supported by the Mayor, Councillor Greene on behalf of St Joseph’s Riverwood Cricket Club in the amount of \$500.
- xvi. Application submitted by Councillor Symington supported by the Mayor, Councillor Greene on behalf of Mortdale Heights Cricket Club in the amount of \$500.
- xvii. Application submitted by Councillor Badalati supported by Councillor Wu for minor capital works – footpath in Warrawee Place Beverly Hills (eastern side) in the amount of \$22,500.
- xviii. Application submitted by Councillor Badalati supported by Councillor Wu for minor capital works – footpath in Basset Street Hurstville (Dudley Street to Ruby Street – western side) in the amount of \$83,000.
- xix. Application submitted by Councillor Badalati supported by Councillor Wu for minor capital works – footpath in Basset Street Hurstville between Warwick Street to Dudley Street in the amount of \$43,000.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Suspension of Standing Orders

Motion: Councillor Tegg and Councillor Landsberry

That Standing Orders be suspended to bring forward consideration of item NM084-18 - Affirmative Action Policy for Elections/Appointments Undertaken at Georges River Council.

The Motion on being put to the meeting was declared **LOST**.

CCL054-18 Election of the Deputy Mayor
(Report by Acting Head of Executive Services)

Resolved: Councillor Katris and Councillor Grekas

- (a) That the method of voting for the Office of Deputy Mayor be open vote (show of hands).
- (b) That the General Manager, as Returning Officer, undertake the election of Deputy Mayor for the ensuing one (1) year period by announcing the nominations and then conducting the

election.

- (c) That letters be forwarded to the Office of Local Government and the CEO of LGNSW advising the appointment of the Deputy Mayor.

Voting on the Motion was as follows:

For the Motion: Unanimous

The General Manager, as the Returning Officer, advised that there were two nominations for the Office of Deputy Mayor as follows:

Councillor Katris

Nominated by the Mayor Councillor Greene, seconded by Councillor Badalati.
Councillor Katris accepted the nomination.

Councillor Elmir

Nominated by Councillor Agius, seconded by Councillor Konjarski.
Councillor Elmir accepted the nomination.

Voting on the election of Deputy Mayor was held by open vote (show of hands) as follows:

For Councillor Katris: (6 votes)

The Mayor, Councillor Greene, Councillor Symington, Councillor Tegg, Councillor Badalati, Councillor Landsberry and Councillor Katris

For Councillor Elmir: (8 votes)

Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Hindi, Councillor Wu, Councillor Liu, Councillor Agius, Councillor Payor, Councillor Grekas and Councillor Elmir

As a result of the vote, the General Manager declared Councillor Elmir elected to the Office of the Deputy Mayor of Georges River Council for the ensuing twelve (12) months.

CCL055-18 Appointment of Councillor Representation to Georges River Council Standing Committees

(Report by Acting Head of Executive Services)

Resolved: Councillor Agius and Councillor Katris

- (a) That Council appoint the following Councillor Representatives and Chairpersons of the following Standing Committees for the period until September 2019:

STANDING COMMITTEE	CHAIRPERSON	COUNCILLOR MEMBERS
Environment and Planning (Min 4, max 10)	Councillor Hindi	Councillor Payor Councillor Katris Councillor Badalati Councillor Kastanias Councillor Wu Councillor Agius

		Councillor Landsberry
Finance and Governance (Min 4, max 10)	Councillor Badalati	Councillor Grekas Councillor Symington Councillor Tegg Councillor Elmir Councillor Konjarski Councillor Liu Councillor Hindi Councillor Agius Councillor Kastanias
Community and Culture (Min 4, max 10)	Councillor Katris	Councillor Payor Councillor Wu Councillor Landsberry
Assets and Infrastructure (Min 4, max 10)	Councillor Grekas	Councillor Symington Councillor Tegg Councillor Elmir Councillor Konjarski Councillor Liu

- (b) That the recommendations contained in the report in regard to the update to the Terms of Reference and commencement times of Standing Committee meetings, be adopted.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

CCL056-18 Appointment of Councillors to Georges River Council Advisory Committees and as Delegates on External Committees
(Report by Acting Head of Executive Services)

Resolved: Councillor Hindi and Councillor Landsberry

- (a) That in accordance with the requirements of the NSW Government's Flood Prone Land Policy and Floodplain Development Manual (2005), Council establish a Floodplain Risk Management Committee and determine Councillor Membership.

- (b) That Council appoint the Councillor Representatives for the following Advisory Committees/Panel for the period until September 2019:

Advisory Committee	Number of Councillors	Chair	Councillor Members
Major Events Advisory Committee	Seven (7) including Chairperson	Councillor Badaladi	Councillor Katris Councillor Symington Councillor Liu Councillor Wu Councillor Hindi Councillor Landsberry

Community Grants Assessment Panel	Up to six (6) Councillors		Councillor Katris Councillor Badalati Councillor Hindi Councillor Wu Councillor Kastanias Councillor Landsberry
Economic Development Advisory Committee	Confirmation of current membership	Councillor Hindi	Councillor Tegg Councillor Katris Councillor Agius Councillor Badalati Councillor Kastanias
Local Traffic Advisory Committee	(1 formal voting member who is also the Chairperson)	Councillor Konjarski	
Floodplain Risk Management Committee	(1 formal voting member who is also the Chairperson)	Councillor Hindi	

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Resolved: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Symington

- (c) That Council appoint the Councillor delegates for the following external Committees/Organisations for the period until September 2019:

Committee/Panel	Number of Councillors	Name of Councillor
Southern Sydney Region of Councils (SSROC)	Mayor and Deputy Mayor, two alternate delegates	The Mayor, Councillor Greene, Councillor Elmir, Councillor Hindi, Councillor Katris
Georges River Combined Councils Committee (GRCCC)	1	Councillor Tegg
NSW Libraries Association	1	Councillor Grekas

- (d) That the recommendations contained in the report in regard to the operation of Council Advisory Committees and Panels, be adopted.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Notices of Motion

NM083-18 Management of Abandoned Vehicles Within Georges River Local Government Area

(Report by Councillor Tegg)

Resolved: Councillor Tegg and Councillor Landsberry

That the General Manager invite the owners of large car parks located within the local government area to a workshop with Council's Regulatory Officers to discuss the management of abandoned vehicles and other articles in their car parks and to establish a safe and workable process that complies with the Impounding Act 1993, in order to remove the vehicles from their land without impacting on the public domain or public roads.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NM084-18 Affirmative Action Policy for Elections/Appointments Undertaken at Georges River Council

(Report by Councillor Tegg)

MOTION: Councillor Tegg and Councillor Landsberry

That Council introduce, effective immediately, an Affirmative Action Policy for the election of Councillors and the appointment of Council delegates as follows:

- (a) Whenever an election is required for two or more positions at Council at the same time (e.g. Mayor and Deputy Mayor, Chairpersons of Standing Committees and Chairpersons of Advisory Committees), then Council shall ensure that a minimum of 50% of councillors elected to those positions shall be women.
- (b) Where there are an odd number of positions to be elected, when calculating the minimum number of positions for the purposes of this Policy, a fraction of more than one half must be rounded up to the next whole number, and a fraction of one half or less than one half must be rounded down to the next whole number.
- (c) For the avoidance of doubt in relation to (a) above, the Policy shall require the following:
 - (i) The biennial election of Mayor and Deputy Mayor: a minimum of one woman is to be elected to either role.
 - (ii) The election of the Deputy Mayor only; this Policy will not apply.
 - (iii) The annual election of four Chairpersons of Standing Committees: a minimum of two women are to be elected.
 - (iv) The annual election of four Chairpersons of Advisory Committees; a minimum of two women are to be elected.
- (d) Whenever an appointment is required for two or more delegates of Council at the same time (eg: Local Planning Panel, Regional Planning Panel, Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils, LGNSW conference delegates, Community Grants Panel, Audit

Risk and Improvement Committee), then Council shall ensure that a minimum of 50% of delegates appointed to those positions shall be women.

- (e) For the avoidance of doubt in relation to (d) above, the Policy shall require the following:
- (i) The triennial appointment of nine Local Planning Panel members: a minimum of four women are to be appointed;
 - (ii) The triennial appointment of three Regional (Southern Sydney) Planning Panel members: a minimum of one women are to be appointed;
 - (iii) The triennial appointment of five Audit Risk and Improvement Committee members: a minimum of two women are to be appointed elected;
 - (iv) The annual appointment of four Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils delegates: a minimum of two women are to be appointed;
 - (v) The annual appointment of six Community Grants Panel delegates: a minimum of three women are to be appointed;
 - (vi) The annual appointment of nine LGNSW conference delegates a minimum of four women are to be appointed.
- (f) In all circumstances stated above, if at the close of nominations for a group of positions/delegates covered by this Policy the requirements of the Affirmative Action Policy cannot be met, nominations for that group of positions/delegates must be reopened for the purposes of ensuring 50% of appointments are women.
- (g) If after an election for a group of positions/delegates is conducted and the requirements of the Affirmative Action Policy have not been met, nominations for that group of positions/delegates must be reopened and a fresh ballot (if necessary) conducted.

The Motion on being put to the meeting was declared **LOST**.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Councillor Tegg, Councillor Wu, Councillor Liu, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Payor and Councillor Grekas

Against the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Greene, Councillor Elmir, Councillor Badalati, Councillor Hindi, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Symington, Councillor Katris and Councillor Agius

NM085-18 Management of Parking Operations at Kogarah Town Square Car Park
(Report by Councillor Tegg)

MOTION: Councillor Tegg and Councillor Landsberry

That the General Manager prepare a report to Council investigating the implications and costs associated with the removal of the current 'pay and display' parking system at Kogarah Town Square car park and replacement with a boom gate (entry and exit control) arrangement to reduce confusion for motorists and parking fines.

The Motion on being put to the meeting was declared **LOST**.

NM086-18 NSW Guidelines for Voluntary Planning Agreements
(Report by Councillor Hindi)

Resolved: Councillor Hindi and Councillor Katris

Note: During the discussion of the following item Councillor Konjarski left the Chamber.

- (a) That in the interests of consistency, openness and transparency, Council request the NSW Minister for Planning, the Hon Anthony Roberts MP to immediately publish the new Guidelines for Voluntary Planning Agreements, including any associated policy documents and Ministerial Directions necessary to ensure that the value created by planning decisions is fairly shared by the community.
- (b) That Council undertake a review of the current *Table of Residual Land Values* contained in the Voluntary Planning Agreement Policy 2016 to ensure they reflect current property markets, as provided for in Appendix E of the Policy.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Councillor Konjarski was not present during the vote.

Note: At this point of the meeting Councillor Konjarski returned to the Chamber.

NM087-18 Proposed Interim Policy Approach for Development Control Plans
(Inconsistent Controls for Development)
(Report by Councillor Hindi)

Resolved: Councillor Hindi and Councillor Agius

- (a) That Council note as a result of the 2016 Council amalgamation there are numerous Development Control Plans (DCP) that apply across the Local Government Area for similar development types, which contain inconsistent controls (for example: lot width and site area provisions for Dual Occupancy Developments and inconsistent storey (height) limits to overall Local Environmental Plan (LEP) Building Height Controls).
- (b) That the General Manager prepare a report to Council on the establishment of an Interim Policy on the application of key DCP provisions which are inconsistent across the Local Government Area (such as those mentioned above) including options for assessing development applications on a consistent basis until such time as a comprehensive DCP is prepared and implemented for the entire Local Government Area.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NM088-18 Unsolicited Proposal to Construct High Rise Towers Above Kogarah Town Centre and Railway Station
(Report by Councillor Katris)

Resolved: Councillor Katris and Councillor Agius

- (a) That Council write to the Premier of NSW, the Hon Gladys Berijikian MP, the Minister for Transport, the Hon Andrew Constance MP and the Treasurer, the Hon Dominic Perrotet MP and the Secretaries of the NSW Departments of Premier and Cabinet, Transport and Treasury to express its significant concern in relation to the progression to Stage 2 of the unsolicited proposal for the construction of 19 storey residential towers with retail and car parking components above and adjoining Kogarah Railway station.
- (b) That Council request the NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet to provide all Councillors with the courtesy of a full briefing on the proposal in order for Council to ascertain the extent of the impacts that such a significant development proposal will have on the future character and economic development of the Kogarah CBD.
- (c) That Council note the representations that the Member for Kogarah, Mr Chris Minns MP has made to the NSW government in opposition to this proposal and request the Member for Oatley, Mr Mark Coure MP and the Member for Rockdale, Mr Steve Kamper MP also make similar representations of behalf of Council.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NM089-18 Improved Traffic Controls at the Intersection of King Georges Road and Terry Street, Blakehurst
(Report by Councillor Grekas)

Resolved: Councillor Grekas and Councillor Landsberry

- (a) That due to ongoing safety concerns, Council write to the NSW Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) to request a review of its 2016 decision not to support Council's continued requests for right turn arrows for vehicles exiting Terry Street at the intersection of King Georges Road, Blakehurst.
- (b) That the RMS be requested to provide a review of recent crash data analysis, as well as speed, volume and queuing effects on King Georges Road as part of its response to Council.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Greene, Councillor Agius, Councillor Elmir, Councillor Grekas, Councillor Hindi, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Payor, Councillor Symington, Councillor Tegg and Councillor Wu

Against the Motion: Councillor Badalati

NM090-18 Additional Illuminated Christmas Decorations for the Hurstville CBD (Forest Road)
(Report by Councillor Wu)

Resolved: Councillor Wu and Councillor Elmir

That building on the success of Council's 2017 Christmas Decoration Strategy (which celebrates the festive season through an array of colourful Christmas decorations and community events throughout the local government area), the General Manager provide, within the current budget allocation, additional illuminated Christmas decorations/lighting along Forest Road, between the Hurstville Transport Interchange and the Palm Court Car Park.

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Greene, Councillor Agius, Councillor Elmir, Councillor Grekas, Councillor Hindi, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Payor, Councillor Symington, Councillor Tegg and Councillor Wu

Against the Motion: Councillor Badalati

Committee of the Whole

Resolved: Councillor Katris and Councillor Elmir

At this stage of the meeting the Mayor, Councillor Greene advised that the meeting would move into a Committee of the Whole to allow items of a personal nature to be discussed.

Confidential items (Closed Council Meeting)

Resolved: Councillor Katris and Councillor Elmir

At this stage of the meeting the Mayor advised that the meeting would move into confidential (closed) session.

Accordingly, members of the press and public are excluded from the closed session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the closed session will be withheld.

The Mayor asked the General Manager if any representations had been received from the public in regards to the meeting being moved into closed session.

The General Manager replied that no representations had been received.

The Mayor asked if there were any members of the public gallery who would like to speak on the reason Council is proposing to move into closed session.

Mr Brian Shaw requested that the reason for moving into Closed Session be displayed on the screen.

The Mayor advised that the reason for the Council moving into Closed Session was due to an item of a personal nature which would be displayed on the screen.

Open Council

Resolved: Councillor Tegg and Councillor Konjarski

That the meeting revert to Open Council.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Leave of Absence

Resolved: Councillor Tegg and Councillor Konjarski

That a leave of absence be granted for the following Councillors:

Councillor Hindi: Committee meetings scheduled for 8 October 2018

Councillor Badalati: Council meeting scheduled for 29 October 2018

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Conclusion

The Meeting was closed at 9.06pm

Chairperson