

MINUTES

Economic Development Advisory Committee

Tuesday, 19 February 2019

6pm

Georges River Civic Centre Hurstville



GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL

Present

Council Members

Councillor Con Hindi (Chair), Councillor Stephen Agius (arrived 7.10pm), Councillor Vince Badalati, Councillor Nick Katris and Councillor Rita Kastanias.

Industry and Community Members

Ms Rosemary Bishop (3 Bridges), Ms Tania Katsanis (community representative), Mr Spiro Abelas (S. Abelas and Company Real Estate and Business Brokers), Mr Frank Bates (sports representative), Ms Tirza Wintana (Youth Advisory Committee), and Mr Allan Zreik (St George Business Chamber).

Council Staff

Manager Strategic Planning – Ms Catherine McMahon, Director City, Strategy and Innovation, Ms Sue Weatherley, Coordinator City, Strategy and Innovation - Ms Hayley Barnes, Economic Development Officer - Mr Craig Edmondson, Senior Project Officer – Ms Lee Crane, Consultant Project Officer - Ms Simone Schwarz, Personal Assistant Manager Environment, Health and Regulatory Services - Ms Lynne Denham.

Opening

The Chair, Councillor Hindi, opened the meeting at 6.03pm.

Acknowledgement of Country

The Mayor acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land, the Biddegal people of the Eora Nation.

Apologies

Apologies were received on behalf of Ms Meryl Bishop, Director Environment and Planning, Mr Andrew Eldridge (Strategic Planner and Business Partner), Ms Claire Zang (Owner – Best Professional Finance), Ms Jacqui Attard (CEO Realise Business) and Mr Shane Combs (Hurstville Private Hospital, health representative).

Code of Meeting Practice

The order of business is as shown in the agenda.

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Disclosures of Interest

There were no disclosures of interest made.

Note: Councillor Hindi (Chair) welcomed Ms Sue Weatherley (Director City, Strategy and Innovation) and Ms Haley Barnes (Coordinator City, Strategy and Innovation) to this evening's meeting of the Economic Development Advisory Committee and to Council.

Minutes of Previous Meetings

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE - 9 OCTOBER 2018 AND 19 NOVEMBER 2018

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Katris

That the Minutes of the Economic Development Advisory Committee held on 9 October and 19 November 2018, as previously made available to each Councillor, be confirmed.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Procedural Motion/Order of Business

Resolved: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Kastanias

That Item EDC008-19 be considered as the first item of business.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Councillor Agius arrived to the meeting at 7.10pm, during discussion on Item EDC004-19.

Committee Reports

EDC008-19 Local Strategic Planning Statement
(Report by Coordinator Strategic Planning)

Recommendation: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Katris

That the Economic Development Advisory Committee receive and note the presentation.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

EDC001-19 Georges River Industrial Land Review
(Report by Coordinator Strategic Planning)

Recommendation: Councillor Kastanias and Councillor Badalati

That the Economic Development Advisory Committee receive and note the report.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

EDC002-19 Resignation of Ms Chantelle Chapman
(Report by Economic Development Officer)

Recommendation: Mr Frank Bates and Ms Tania Katsanis

- (a) That the Committee receive and note the resignation of Ms Chantelle Chapman – Hospitality Representative, effective from 9 January 2019 and Mr Shane Combs – Health Representative effective from 18 February 2019.
- (b) That the Committee and Council formally thank Ms Chapman and Mr Combs for their contribution.
- (c) That the Committee recommend to Council that an Expression of Interest for a Hospitality Representative be commenced.
- (d) That the Committee recommend to Council that Mr Matthew Carter, the Environmental Services Coordinator from Hurstville Private Hospital be appointed the Health Representative.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

EDC003-19 Business Newsletter
(Report by Economic Development Officer)

Recommendation: Councillor Kastanias and Councillor Katris

That the report 'Business Newsletter' be received and noted.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

EDC004-19 Business Presence on Council's Website
(Report by Casual Senior Project Officer)

Recommendation: Councillor Badalati and Ms Tirza Witana

That the report 'Business Presence on Council's Website' be received and noted.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Councillor Kastanias left the meeting at 7.12pm and did not return. She was not present for consideration and voting on Items EDC005-19 to EDC007-19 and General Business.

Note: Councillor Katris left the meeting at 7.13pm and did not return. He was not present for consideration and voting on EDC005-19 to EDC007-19 and General Business.

EDC005-19 Business Bus to visit Kogarah Town Centre on Tuesday 19 February 2019
(Report by Economic Development Officer)

Recommendation: Councillor Agius and Mr Spiro Abelas

That the Business Bus to visit Kogarah report be received and noted.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

EDC006-19 Snapshot of Tourism in the Georges River Local Government Area
(Report by Casual Senior Project Officer)

Recommendation: Councillor Agius and Councillor Badalati

That the report 'Snapshot of Tourism in the Georges River Local Government Area' be received and noted.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

EDC007-19 City Strategy and Innovation Directorate introduction
(Report by Coordinator, Strategy and Innovation)

Recommendation: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Agius

That the information on the City Strategy and Innovation Directorate be received and noted.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

EDC008-19 Local Strategic Planning Statement
(Report by Coordinator Strategic Planning)

Note: This Item was considered earlier in the Meeting, as detailed in the Minutes.

General Business

Councillor Badalati advised that the signage in Hurstville CBD was worse than before, in particular on the corner of Barrett and Woodville Road, Hurstville (Restaurant).

Recommendation: Councillor Badalati and Councillor Agius

That Council carries out an audit on all business/restaurant signage in Hurstville City Centre and a report be provided to the next Economic Development Advisory Committee by the Manager of Environment, Health and Regulatory Services.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Conclusion

The Meeting was closed at 7.40pm.

Chairperson