
AUBURN CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE
ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CIVIC PLACE, 1 SUSAN STREET, AUBURN
ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2016
COMMENCING AT 5.00PM

PRESENT

The Interim Administrator – Mr. V May.

IN ATTENDANCE

General Manager, Deputy General Manager Indirect, Deputy General Manager Direct, Executive Manager Planning, Executive Manager Community Development, Acting Executive Manager Corporate, Manager Strategy and Governance Coordinator.

037/16 Disclosure of Interests

C-27-08/03 MB : MW

There were no disclosures of interest.

038/16 Address by Invited Speakers

C-28-02/03 MB : MW

The following person had made application to address the meeting of Council:

Speakers Item No./Subject

Mr T. Oldfield 049/16 – Submission to Boundaries Commission Regarding Proposed Mergers Involving Auburn City Council.

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator:

- 1. That the report on Invited Speakers be received and the information therein noted.***
- 2. That standing orders be varied to allow the item to be dealt with following the speaker's address.***

039/16 Public Question Time

C-28-02/03 MB : MW

No questions had been received.

040/16 Confirmation of the Minutes of Previous Ordinary Meeting - 17 February 2016

C-28-02/03 MB : MW

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator that the minutes of the previous Ordinary Meeting of Council held on February 17, 2016, be confirmed.

041/16 Confirmation of the Minutes of Previous Extraordinary Meeting - 2 March 2016

C-28-02/03 MB : MW

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator that the minutes of the previous Ordinary Meeting of Council held on March 2, 2016, be confirmed.

042/16 Joint Regional Planning Panel (JRPP) Membership Report

C-28-26 GF : MW

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator:

- 1. That Council receive and note the information in this report;***

2. ***That Council endorse the remuneration schedule attached to this report for the JRPP Panel members as they are reflective of the panel members skills and experience.***
3. ***That Council endorse a modified procedure for community consultation associated with “significant” development proposals (i.e. >\$20 million) and minor modifications as follows:***
 - a) ***That Council continue to hold public information meetings for significant development proposals with a sole focus on providing information to residents and interested parties.***
 - b) ***That amended design proposals received by Council under an application that has already been subject to the above community consultation process and/or S96 modifications, not require a further public meeting or extended exhibition, where the design amendments are not substantial or where the impacts of the development are reduced. Any such amended design proposals shall be exhibited and notified in accordance with the Notifications Chapter of the Auburn Development Control Plan.***
4. ***That a detailed report on the Notification of significant development applications (in the form of letters to surrounding owners and occupiers) be undertaken to review the effectiveness and cost benefits of the additional notification area for JRPP applications and the results and recommendations presented to Council .***

043/16 **Update on the Remuneration for the Auburn Independent Assessment Panel (AIAP)**
C-28-26 GF : EG

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator:

1. ***That Council receive and note the information in this report;***
2. ***That Council endorse the remuneration schedule attached to this report for the AIAP expert panel members as they are reflective of the panel members skills and experience.***
3. ***That Council endorse the remuneration for community representatives as a \$800 flat fee including GST.***

044/16 **Review of Investment Policy**
A-05-01/05 RS : MW

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator:

1. ***That no amendments be made to Council’s Investment Policy.***
2. ***That the recommendations included in Prudential Investment Service’s Investment Strategy Review be adopted and implemented.***
3. ***That the arrangement with Perpetual Investment Services Corp for ongoing investment advice to the Council be noted.***

045/16 Internal Audit Function

C-29-40 BC : PV

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator:

- 1. That the General Manager be authorised to invite applications for the position of temporary Internal Auditor, either full or part time;***
- 2. That a draft Internal Audit Program be provided for consideration by the Governance Committee.***
- 3. That item 1. above be actioned following discussions with Holroyd City Council about participation on a shared basis.***
- 4. That an amount of \$100,000.00 be provide in the draft 2016/17 budget.***

046/16 Auburn Lidcombe Lions Club Inc. Charity Golf Day - Waiving of Green Fees

G-10-06/06 MW : MW

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator that the request to waive Council's green fees for participants attending the Auburn Lidcombe Lions Club Inc. Charity Golf Day on Sunday, 10 April 2016 be approved, conditional on the Club providing appropriate certification confirming the total funds raised on the day being forwarded to Council within 30 days of the Tournament.

047/16 T-2015-007 – Tender for Susan Street Car Park Lighting Retrofit

T-2015-007 MC : EG

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator:

- 1. That any funds received from The Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) by way of a reimbursement to Council associated with this project, be placed in Council's Green Bank fund for use on future energy and water saving initiatives, subject to approval by the General Manager.***
- 2. That pursuant to Section 10A(2)(d)(i) (ii) & (iii) of the Local Government Act, 1993, the Tender Assessment Evaluation and Recommendation of this matter be dealt with in Closed Session as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:-***
 - (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it; and***
 - (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council; and***
 - (iii) reveal a trade secret.***

048/16 Draft Submission: Review of The Local Government Act 1993 - Towards New Local Government Legislation

L-22-09 MC : MW

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator that Council adopt the draft submission at Attachment 1 to this Report and authorise the General Manager to forward the submission to the NSW Office of Local Government, subject to the

following amendments:

- **3.1 - The additional comment/implications for Council be deleted.**
- **3.2 - The amendment be supported and comments be deleted.**
- **3.3 - Further comment be added:- Consideration also be given to amending the provisions of Section 240 (1) of the Act to ensure the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal takes account the numbers of Councillors to residents ratio in determining fees.**
- **3.4 - The amendment be supported.**
- **3.7 - The comments be deleted.**
- **4.1 - Supported and the comments be deleted and replaced with consideration being given to providing partial public funding when postal voting is adopted by Council to include the distribution on one occasion by post, of candidates or groups electoral material obviously with limitations to be determined e.g. one A4 brochure.**
- **5.1 - The comments be deleted.**
- **7.1 - The comments be deleted.**
- **7.3 - The comments be deleted.**
- **8.3 - Supported, the comments be deleted.**
- **8.4 - Supported, delete qualified support comments.**
- **8.5 - Supported, the comments be deleted.**
- **8.8 - Supported, the comments be deleted.**

**049/16 Submission to Boundaries Commission Regarding Proposed Mergers
 Involving Auburn City Council**

C-29-52 HM : MP

Mr T. Oldfield addressed the Council on this matter.

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator:

- 1. That Council note the submission provided to the public inquiries into the merger proposal concerning Auburn (Part), Holroyd (Part) and Parramatta (Part) and the merger proposal concerning Parramatta (Part), Auburn (Part), The Hills (Part), Hornsby (Part) and Holroyd (Part).**
- 2. That Council note the additional information included in the submission at the request of the Interim Administrator regarding elected representation.**
- 3. That Council authorise the General Manager to commence the process of transition towards the proposed new Councils.**

**050/16 Public Viewing of the ABC Compass Broadcast - The Auburn Giants
 Story**

PKA04-01 PJF : MP

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator:

- 1. That Council support the request for use of the Amphitheatre within the Auburn Botanic Gardens for the public viewing of the ABC Compass story featuring the Auburn Giants.**
- 2. That Council waive the fees and charges associated with the use of Auburn**

Botanic Gardens associated with the public viewing.

- 3. That Council waive the fees and charges with the use of the Auburn Town Hall Auditorium as a wet weather alternative to the Auburn Botanic Gardens.***

051/16 Proposed Name Change of Auburn Mayoral Art & Photography Awards
C-32-29 BE : PI

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator:

- 1. That Council change the name of the annual 'Auburn Mayoral Art and Photography Awards' to the 'Auburn City Art and Photography Awards'.***
- 2. That Council modify the title of the two key award categories from 'Mayoral Art Award' to 'Auburn City Art Award,' and 'Mayoral Photography Award' to 'Auburn City Photography Award'.***

052/16 Report on Auburn City Council Community Grants Program 2016/2017
D-05-01/10 BE : PI

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator:

- 1. That Council allocate a total of \$79,402.20 in grant funding from the 2016/2017 Community Grants Program budget to the following community organisations:***

<i>Regents Park Youth and Families</i>	<i>\$2,998.90</i>
<i>Refugee Advice and Casework Service</i>	<i>\$8,258.00</i>
<i>Police Citizens Youth Clubs NSW</i>	<i>\$8,469.00</i>
<i>Multiple Sclerosis Limited</i>	<i>\$5,044.00</i>
<i>Child Abuse Prevention Service</i>	<i>\$10,000.00</i>
<i>Rugby Youth Foundation</i>	<i>\$10,000.00</i>
<i>The Northcott Society</i>	<i>\$9,705.30</i>
<i>Learning Links</i>	<i>\$10,000.00</i>
<i>Auburn Islamic Community Centre</i>	<i>\$8,100.00</i>
<i>Auburn Youth Centre</i>	<i>\$6,827.00</i>

- 2. That Council allocate up to \$10,000.00 from the 2016/2017 Community Grants Program budget to Shakti Migrant & Refugee Women's Support Group for a partnership project with Council, to be negotiated under the delegated authority of the General Manager.***
- 3. That Council maintain the remaining unallocated funds in the 2016/2017 Community Grants Program budget, and returned funds from the 2014/2015 and 2015/2016 Community Grants Program budgets to implement an additional small grants program (a total funding pool \$38,845.00) to support local community building initiatives upon confirmation of amalgamation arrangements.***
- 4. That the Interim Administrator hold a Morning Tea for the recipients of funding at the Berala Community Centre on April 7, 2016.***

053/16 Minutes of the Governance Committee held on February 26, 2016

C-29-40 BC : MW

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator that the minutes of the Governance Committee held on February 26, 2016 be received and the recommendations contained therein, adopted.

054/16 Report on Berala Community Centre - Results for First Quarter of Operation

C-32-25 BE : PI

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator that the report be received and the information therein noted.

055/16 Investment Portfolio Performance as at 29 February 2016

A-05-01/05 RS : MW

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator that the report be received and the information therein noted.

056/15 CLOSED SESSION

C-28-02/03 BC : MW

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator that the Council convene in Closed Session to consider the following item:

C002/16 T-2015-007 - Tender for Susan Street Car Park Lighting Retrofit - Tender Assessment Evaluation and Recommendation

The item contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed: (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or (iii) reveal a trade secret, in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act, 1993.

The Council convened in Closed Session at 5.33pm. The public and media left the Chamber.

On completion of the consideration and determination of the matter Council resolved to reconvene in Open Session.

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator that Council move out of Closed Session and reconvene in Open Session.

The Council reconvened in Open Session at 5.36pm.

On resumption of Open Session, the General Manager announced that the Council in Closed Session had made its determination as follows:

**C002/16 T-2015-007 - Tender for Susan Street Car Park Lighting Retrofit - Tender
Assessment Evaluation and Recommendation**

T-2015-007 MC : MW

Moved and declared carried by the Interim Administrator that Council accept and proceed with the tender from L&H Group (trading as Specialised Lighting Solutions) for the supply and installation of LED lighting technology, emergency lights with motion sensors, and a site audit for a fixed price totalling \$120,001.21 (including GST).

There being no further matters, the meeting was closed at 5.38pm.

CONFIRMED:

INTERIM ADMINISTRATOR

DATE: