

Meeting Date: Tuesday 25 June 2024

Location: Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde and Online

Time: 6.05pm

Councillors Present in Chambers: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li, Maggio, Pedersen, Purcell and Yedelian OAM.

Councillors Present via online Audio Visual: Councillors Deshpande, O'Reilly and Song.

Apologies: Nil.

Note: Councillor Maggio left the meeting at 10:33pm and did not return. Councillor Maggio was not present for consideration or voting on Item 18.

Note: Councillor O'Reilly left the meeting at 10:33pm and did not return. Councillor O'Reilly was not present for consideration or voting on Item 18.

Note: Councillor Pedersen left the meeting at 10:33pm and did not return. Councillor Pedersen was not present for consideration or voting on Item 18.

Note: Councillor Purcell left the meeting at 10:33pm and did not return. Councillor Purcell was not present for consideration or voting on Item 18.

Note: Councillor Song left the meeting at 10:33pm and did not return. Councillor Song was not present for consideration or voting on Item 18.

Staff Present: Chief Executive Officer, General Manager – Business and Operations, General Manager – City Shaping, General Counsel, Acting Chief Financial Officer, Executive Manager – City Infrastructure, Executive Manager – City Development, Acting Executive Manager – City Life, Executive Manager – People and Business, Manager – Business Assurance and Governance, Manager – Traffic Services, Manager – Engineering and Project Delivery, Manager – Parks and Open Spaces, Manager – Circular Economy, Manager – Health, Building and Regulatory Services, Executive Officer – City Fabric, Executive Officer – City Economy, Executive Officer – City Spaces, Executive Officer – City Resilience, Acting Executive Officer – City Places, Senior Coordinator – Community Services, Senior Coordinator – Resources Recovery, Senior Coordinator – Program Delivery, Team Leader – Project Management, Community Development Officer – Seniors and Disability Inclusion, Project Director, Systems Support Officer, Civic Services Manager and Civic Support Officer.

PRAYER

Pastor Corin Schut of the Ryde Wesley International Congregation was present and offered prayer prior to the commencement of the meeting.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was sung prior to the commencement of the meeting.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no Disclosures of Interest.

TABLING OF PETITIONS

No Petitions were tabled.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

The following persons provided a written submission to Council:-

Name	Topic
Tobias Lord	Mayoral Minute 22/24 – Regional Sports Capacity – Westleigh Park, Hornsby and TG Millner Fields, Marsfield
Peter Collins	Mayoral Minute 22/24 – Regional Sports Capacity – Westleigh Park, Hornsby and TG Millner Fields, Marsfield
Jeanette Friend	Mayoral Minute 22/24 – Regional Sports Capacity – Westleigh Park, Hornsby and TG Millner Fields, Marsfield
Murray and Ronda Ironfield	Mayoral Minute 22/24 – Regional Sports Capacity – Westleigh Park, Hornsby and TG Millner Fields, Marsfield
Thomas Melrin	Mayoral Minute 22/24 – Regional Sports Capacity – Westleigh Park, Hornsby and TG Millner Fields, Marsfield
Ken Pritchard	Mayoral Minute 22/24 – Regional Sports Capacity – Westleigh Park, Hornsby and TG Millner Fields, Marsfield
Elizabeth Pritchard	Mayoral Minute 22/24 – Regional Sports Capacity – Westleigh Park, Hornsby and TG Millner Fields, Marsfield
Melissa Sedgwick	Mayoral Minute 22/24 – Regional Sports Capacity – Westleigh Park, Hornsby and TG Millner Fields, Marsfield
Rod Noel	Item 9 – Ryde Youth Performing Arts Program 2024-25 Item 12 – Ryde Central – Proposed open space estimated costs Item 14 – Report for the information of Council – deferral of Notice of Motion from the Council Meeting held on 25 June 2024

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

No written submissions were received.

COUNCIL REPORTS

1 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Lara-Watson)

That Council adopt Item 2, Item 3, Item 5, Item 6, Item 8, Item 10, Item 11, Precis of Correspondence 1, Notice of Motion 1 and Notice of Motion 4 listed on the Council Agenda as per the Recommendations in the Reports.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – Council Meeting held on 28 May 2024

RESOLUTION:

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 8/24, held on 28 May 2024 be confirmed.

3 FOUR YEAR DELIVERY PROGRAM 2022-2026 INCLUDING ONE YEAR OPERATIONAL PLAN 2024/25

RESOLUTION:

That Council:

- (a) Notes that zero (0) submissions were received in response to the Draft Four Year Delivery Program 2022-2026, including One Year Operational Plan FY24/25, during the public exhibition period from 26 April 2024 to 26 May 2024.
- (b) Adopts the proposed Four-Year Delivery Program 2022-2026 including the One Year Operational Plan for FY24/25, and FY24/25 Fees and Charges Schedule.
- (c) Levy of Rates for the FY24/25 Financial Year in accordance Section 535 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, such rates to be made as follows:

Type	Name	Base Amount Yield %	Min/Base Amount \$	Ad Valorem (Amount in \$)
Ordinary	Residential		\$651.69	0.00041487
Ordinary	Business		\$651.69	0.00414210
Ordinary	Business- Major Retail Centre - Macquarie Park			0.00593612
Ordinary	Business- Major Retail Centre - Top Ryde			0.00760892
Special	Macquarie Park Corridor			0.00077263
Special	Special Infrastructure Renewal	49.97%	\$135.50	0.00012610
Special	Environmental Management	40.76%	\$65.10	0.00008795

- (d) Fixes its interest charge on overdue rates and charges in accordance with the Section 566 (3) of the *Local Government Act* 1993 at the rate of ten and a half percent (10.5%) per annum from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025, as determined by the Minister for Local Government.

5 DRAFT CITY OF RYDE SPONSORSHIP POLICY – OUTCOME OF PUBLIC EXHIBITION

RESOLUTION:

That Council adopt the revised draft Sponsorship Policy.

6 APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBER – AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION:

That Council endorse the appointment of Mathew Broom to the position of Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Independent Member.

8 UPDATE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS – MOU WITH THE HSINCHU SCIENCE PARK BUREAU

RESOLUTION:

It is recommended that Council:

- 1) Approve the Mayor signing the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Ryde and the Hsinchu Science Park Bureau, which was endorsed by the Council at its meeting in October 2023, at a digital signing ceremony (intended to occur in the first week of July 2024).
- 2) Notes that, based on the Mayor's direction as Council's official representative and spokesperson, invitations for the local ceremony will be extended to all Councillors as well as:
 - a. The NSW Premier, The Hon. Chris Minns MP
 - b. The following Federal Members of Parliament:
 - i. The Hon. Ed Husic MP
 - ii. The Hon. Sussan Ley MP
 - iii. The Hon. Paul Fletcher
 - iv. Senator Dave Sharma, and
 - v. Jerome Laxale MP
 - c. The following State Members of Parliament:
 - i. The Hon. Anoulack Chanthivong MP
 - ii. The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP
 - iii. The Hon. Chris Rath MLC
 - iv. The Hon. Jacqui Munro MLC
 - v. Hugh McDermott MP
 - vi. Mark Coure MP, and
 - vii. Jordan Lane MP
 - d. Government officials from the City of Ryde, NSW Government, and the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office (as appropriate)
 - e. Officials from Macquarie University, Business Western Sydney, and Business Sydney.
 - f. Local stakeholders, including representatives from the Taiwanese community.
- 3) Approves staff working with key stakeholders to support future business activities and fostering new relationships between local businesses in the City of Ryde and businesses from Hsinchu Science Park.

10 TOP RYDE LIVE SITES FOR OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES IN 2024

RESOLUTION:

- (a) That Council notes that live screenings of the 2024 Games will be held at Top Ryde City in the Piazza on 3 and 10 August for the Olympic Games and the 31 August and 7 September 2024 for the Paralympics Games.
- (b) That Council notes that screenings for the Olympics and Paralympics Games 2024 that are live broadcasted by local venues will be promoted on Council's website for the information of the community.
- (c) That Council notes that future live screenings for major sporting events will be considered when undertaking Council's annual events planning and scheduling including, but not limited to, Men's Rugby Union World Cup, Netball World Cup and Women's Rugby Union World Cup.

11 LOCAL HERITAGE ASSISTANCE FUND – PROPOSED ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR ROUND 6

RESOLUTION:

- (a) That the two (2) eligible applications to the Local Heritage Assistance Fund for the December 2023 period (Round 6) be supported and receive funding assistance pursuant to Section 356 of the Local Government Act, 1993, being:
 - 22 Simla Road, Denistone, \$15,000.00, and
 - 17 Maxim Street, West Ryde, \$15,000.00.
- (b) That Council allocate the amount of \$30,000.00 from Heritage Reserve for the purpose of part (a) above and that the allocation be addressed in the next Quarterly Budget Review.
- (c) That the successful and unsuccessful applicants be advised in writing of the outcomes of their applications to the Local Heritage Assistance Fund.

PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE

1 ROADS TO RECOVERY PROGRAM

RESOLUTION:

That the correspondence be received and noted.

NOTICES OF MOTION

1 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT POTTS STREET – Councillor Roy Maggio

RESOLUTION:

- (a) That Council revisit options for a pedestrian crossing on Potts Street, between Victoria Road and Frederick Street, Ryde, in consultation with TfNSW, St Charles School and other affected stakeholders.
- (b) That Council request St Charles School to develop and implement an Operational Traffic Management Plan to assist with the safety and efficiency of student pick-up/drop-off activity.
- (c) That the back gate of St Charles School on Potts Street be considered in the process.
- (d) That a report come back to Council at the November 2024 Ordinary Council meeting on the findings and discussions taken place with regards to the pedestrian crossing options and the Operational Traffic Management Plan.

4 ALLEGED WASTE AND VERMIN ISSUES AT 144-148 COXS ROAD, NORTH RYDE – Councillor Penny Pedersen

RESOLUTION:

- (a) That City of Ryde investigate alleged waste and vermin issues in the vicinity of 144-148 Coxs Road, North Ryde and the adjoining Coxs Road public car park.
- (b) That a report be provided back to Council outlining the findings of the investigation after its completion.

MATTER OF URGENCY

Councillor Maggio advised the meeting that he wished to raise a Matter of Urgency regarding Rockend Cottage, the time being 6.32pm.

The Mayor, Councillor Brown accepted this matter as an Urgent Item to be dealt with later in the meeting in Closed Confidential Session.

MAYORAL MINUTES

MM21/24 COUNCILS AWARD WINNING WORK RECOGNISED - Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown

Note: Councillor Lara-Watson left the meeting at 6.32pm and was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown)

That on behalf of the community,

- (a) All staff and departments who assisted with the development and production of the 'Shaping the future: 2022-23 Annual Report' be congratulated.
- (b) All staff that contributed to the Supporting Inclusive Volunteering Project be congratulated.
- (c) All staff that contributed to the development of the Urban Forest Strategy be congratulated.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MM22/24 REGIONAL SPORTS CAPACITY - WESTLEIGH PARK, HORNSBY AND TG MILLNER FIELDS, MARSFIELD - Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown

Note: Tobias Lord, Peter Collins, Jeanette Friend, Murray and Ronda Ironfield, Thomas Melrin, Ken Pritchard, Elizabeth Pritchard and Melissa Sedgwick made a written submission on this Item and copies are ON FILE.

Note: Councillor Lara-Watson returned to the meeting at 6.37pm.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown)

1. That Council write to Hornsby Shire Council to express support for the Westleigh Park project given its regional significance in supporting the increased population in Northern Sydney.
2. That Council write to the Premier for New South Wales, the Minister for Sport, the Minister for Local Government and the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces to encourage them to:
 - (a) Maintain/extend their grant to Hornsby Shire Council to ensure the completion of the Westleigh Park project.

- (b) Provide the funding as promised by the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure as part of the Macquarie Park Innovation District Rezoning Strategies and Transport Oriented Development (TOD) to the City of Ryde to ensure the purchase and future management of TG Millner; given their regional significance in supporting the increased population in Northern Sydney as a result of the recently imposed State Government housing targets.
3. Note that the undersupply of sports fields in the NSROC region reinforces the case for strategic merit as assessed by the Sydney North Planning Panel when they rejected the rezoning proposal of TG Millner fields in December 2022. The reduction by six sports fields at Westleigh Park makes the case for the compulsory acquisition of TG Millner even more compelling using the criteria of Strategic Merit.
4. The joint three tiers of government funding model, used to upgrade Leichhardt Oval, has direct application to the compulsory acquisition of TG Millner. It is noted that Ryde Council has set aside \$15M for the purchase of this site. A three-way funding model with our council working collaboratively with the NSW and Commonwealth Governments will resolve the issue of site ownership of TG Millner Fields.
5. That the Mayor write to the Prime Minister of Australia and the NSW Premier to seek financial assistance from the Commonwealth and NSW Governments to support the compulsory acquisition of the TG Millner Fields.

On being put to the meeting, Councillors Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song abstained from voting and accordingly their votes were recorded Against the Motion.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Deshpande, Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

MM23/24 MAYOR FOR A DAY – CONNECTING CIVIC LEADERSHIP WITH STUDENT LEADERSHIP - Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown)

- (a) That a “Mayor for a Day” event, followed by a morning tea be held in the Council Chambers on Monday, 5 August 2024 at 10.30am (during Public Education Week).
- (b) That Principals and School Captains of all Primary Schools (Public and Catholic) located in the City of Ryde be invited to attend and participate in the event.
- (c) That all City of Ryde Councillors be invited to attend and participate in the event.
- (d) That the Executive Assistant to the Mayor and other relevant staff attend the event to provide administrative support.
- (e) That the costs associated with the event be funded from the Mayor’s budget.

Record of Voting:For the Motion: Unanimous**MM24/24 KINGS’S BIRTHDAY HONOURS LIST AWARD RECIPIENTS – Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown****RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown)

- (a) That through a media release, Council congratulates the above award recipients for their 2024 King’s Birthday Honours Awards.
- (b) That all recipients be invited to attend a morning tea in the Mayoral Suite to be funded from the Mayor’s budget.

Record of Voting:For the Motion Unanimous**COUNCIL REPORTS****2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 28 May 2024**Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

3 FOUR YEAR DELIVERY PROGRAM 2022-2026 INCLUDING ONE YEAR OPERATIONAL PLAN 2024/25

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

4 COUNCILLOR DISCRETIONARY FUNDS POLICY - OUTCOME OF PUBLIC EXHIBITION

MOTION: (Moved by Councillors Lara-Watson and Li)

- (a) That Council notes the public submission received.
- (b) That Council adopt the Draft Councillor Discretionary Funds Policy, as considered by Council in April 2024 without amendment.

AMENDMENT: (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Purcell)

- (a) That Council notes the public submission received.
- (b) That Council not adopt the Draft Councillor Discretionary Funds Policy, as considered by Council in April 2024 without amendment.

On being put to the meeting, the voting on the Amendment was one (1) For and eleven (11) Against. The Amendment was LOST. The Motion was then put and **CARRIED**.

Record of Voting:

For the Amendment: Councillor Maggio

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Deshpande, Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell, Song and Yedelian OAM

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Lara-Watson and Li)

- (a) That Council notes the public submission received.
- (b) That Council adopt the Draft Councillor Discretionary Funds Policy, as considered by Council in April 2024 without amendment.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

5 DRAFT CITY OF RYDE SPONSORSHIP POLICY - OUTCOME OF PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

6 APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBER - AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

7 AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE CHARTER

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Lara-Watson)

That the revised Charter which was endorsed by the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee at the 15 April 2024 ARIC meeting be approved by Council.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

8 UPDATE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS - MOU WITH THE HSINCHU SCIENCE PARK BUREAU

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

9 RYDE YOUTH PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAM 2024-25

Note: Rod Noel made a written submission on this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Lara-Watson and Yedelian OAM)

That Council endorse the proposed 12-month Ryde Youth Performing Arts Program to be held during the FY 2024/25 providing a range of performing arts disciplines for young people aged 12 to 18 years of age that live, work or study in the City of Ryde including the following:

- (a) Establish a criteria for how the 16 places are decided in the case of over subscription.
- (b) Provide analysis on a number of places if there was a co-contribution through direct payment or the State Government Creative Kids voucher with the goal of maximising available spots.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

10 TOP RYDE LIVE SITES FOR OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES IN 2024

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

11 LOCAL HERITAGE ASSISTANCE FUND - PROPOSED ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR ROUND 6

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

12 RYDE CENTRAL - PROPOSED OPEN SPACE ESTIMATED COSTS

Note: Rod Noel made a written submission on this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

MOTION: (Moved by Councillors Han and Li)

That Council:

- (a) Receives and notes this report and the estimated costs to provide public open space at the Ryde Central Site.
- (b) Notes that Council is unable to progress building of a new Ryde Civic Centre nor the public open space until the Office of Local Government is satisfied that the City of Ryde has a lawful and financially sustainable funding mechanism.
- (c) Notes that Ryde Labor has promised to build a new civic centre but has provided no details on how construction would be funded. Council notes that unless the construction is funded by way of residential development, Ryde Labor's plan to proceed with the construction would result in an average increase of \$2,838 per rateable property for each household in the City of Ryde during a cost of living crisis. Council rejects Ryde Labor's plan to increase rates to pay for the new Ryde Civic Centre.
- (d) Prepare a submission to the Office of Local Government and ICAC for Council's approval to seek further advice and approval for other options to pay for a new Ryde Civic Centre that is lawful and financially sustainable.

AMENDMENT: (Moved by Councillor Maggio)

- (a) That Council engage a suitably qualified company to seek Expressions of Interest from the market for a shortened period of 10 business days to obtain the best value for money options available for the Ryde Central site at 1 Devlin Street, Ryde that could potentially include the provision of the community facility.

- (b) That Council receives and notes this report and the estimated costs to provide open space at Ryde Central and take no further action.

Note: The Amendment lapsed due to the lack of a Secunder.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Han and Li)

That Council:

- (a) Receives and notes this report and the estimated costs to provide public open space at the Ryde Central Site.
- (b) Notes that Council is unable to progress building of a new Ryde Civic Centre nor the public open space until the Office of Local Government is satisfied that the City of Ryde has a lawful and financially sustainable funding mechanism.
- (c) Notes that Ryde Labor has promised to build a new civic centre but has provided no details on how construction would be funded. Council notes that unless the construction is funded by way of residential development, Ryde Labor's plan to proceed with the construction would result in an average increase of \$2,838 per rateable property for each household in the City of Ryde during a cost of living crisis. Council rejects Ryde Labor's plan to increase rates to pay for the new Ryde Civic Centre.
- (d) Prepare a submission to the Office of Local Government and ICAC for Council's approval to seek further advice and approval for other options to pay for a new Ryde Civic Centre that is lawful and financially sustainable.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Deshpande, Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

INFORMATION REPORTS

13 REPORT FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL - INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 MAY 2024

Note: An Information Report was presented to Council.

14 REPORT FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL - DEFERRAL OF NOTICE OF MOTION FROM THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 25 JUNE 2024

Note: Rod Noel made a written submission on this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

Note: An Information Report was presented to Council.

PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE FOR CONSIDERATION

1 ROADS TO RECOVERY PROGRAM

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

NOTICES OF MOTION

1 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT POTTS STREET - Councillor Roy Maggio

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

2 FEASIBILITY OF EXTENDING THE WINTER SOCCER SEASON - Councillor Roy Maggio

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Purcell)

- (a) That Council discuss with the relevant summer users, the local football Clubs, Association and Football NSW within 10 business days if it is feasible to extend the Winter soccer season until after the long weekend in October 2024 due to inclement weather.
- (b) That a report be provided to Council as soon as practicable with the outcome of the request to extend the football season.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

3 HELPING PREVENT VANDALISM AND RISK OF BUSHFIRE AT SUGARLOAF POINT, EAST RYDE - Councillor Penny Pedersen

BACKGROUND

The City of Ryde notes:-

- i. Vandals, groups of people and people who fish, regularly visit Sugarloaf Point on the banks of Lane Cove River at East Ryde, at night-time.
- ii. There is evidence that some of these people light fires and vandalise property at the site.

- iii. The Friends of Lane Cove National Park Bush Care Group have had equipment, first aid materials and plantings vandalised.
- iv. The park is closed at night.
- v. Lighting fires in the Lane Cove National Park is illegal and puts private property; Ausgrid, NPWS and Council assets at risk of fire.
- vi. Police have been to visit the site and agree that if Council were to impose No Parking outside the gate on Pittwater Road between 8.00pm and 7.00am, it would help discourage many of these people visiting the Park at night.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Maggio)

That the proposal to install a “NO STOPPING” zone on the eastern side of Pittwater Road, between Rene Street and Buffalo Creek Reserve intersections, between sunset and dawn, be referred to the September 2024 Ryde Local Traffic Committee meeting for consideration, following community consultation.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

4 ALLEGED WASTE AND VERMIN ISSUES AT 144-148 COXS ROAD, NORTH RYDE - Councillor Penny Pedersen

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

5 WORKSHOP ON THE CITY OF RYDE COUNCIL'S USE OF PRINT AND SOCIAL MEDIA - Councillor Bernard Purcell

MOTION: (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

- (a) That City of Ryde staff hold a workshop for all Councillors regarding the use of print and social media delivered by the City of Ryde.
- (b) That the workshop take place before the July Ordinary Council Meeting.

AMENDMENT: (Moved by Councillors Li and Han)

- (a) That City of Ryde staff hold a workshop for all Councillors regarding the use of print and social media delivered by the City of Ryde.

- (b) That the workshop take place after the September 2024 Council elections when newly elected Councillors are inducted and also include training on accounting and financial management and the difference between internal and external reserves and Code of Conduct.

Record of Voting:

For the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Deshpande, Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li and Yedelian OAM

Against the Amendment: Councillors Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

RESOLUTION:

- (a) That City of Ryde staff hold a workshop for all Councillors regarding the use of print and social media delivered by the City of Ryde.
- (b) That the workshop take place after the September 2024 Council elections when newly elected Councillors are inducted and also include training on accounting and financial management and the difference between internal and external reserves and Code of Conduct.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MATTER OF URGENCY

Councillor Purcell advised the meeting that he wished to raise the following Matter of Urgency regarding See Street, Meadowbank, the time being 8.40pm.

MOTION: (Moved by Councillor Purcell)

- (a) That Council notes the importance of traffic controllers during morning and afternoon school zone times at the See Street at grade pedestrian crossing.
- (b) That funding of a traffic controller is available until the raised pedestrian crossing is built with State Government funding announced today.
- (c) That the funding for this traffic controller be sought from unrestricted cash reserves or another appropriate funding source, that does not come at the expense of other planned projects.

Note: The Mayor, Councillor Brown ruled the Motion Out of Order as it is unlawful.

CLOSED SESSION

ITEM 15 - LAND CLASSIFICATION AT DENISTONE

Confidential

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

ITEM 16 - CATHERINE HAMLIN PARK DESIGN OPTIONS

Confidential

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: (d) (i) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

ITEM 17 – REQUEST FOR TENDER – COR-RFT-06-23 WASTE RECYCLABLES, ORGANICS AND BULKY WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE

Confidential

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; AND (d) (i) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

ITEM 18 – CEO PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Confidential

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: (a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Lara-Watson and Li)

That the Council resolve into Closed Session to consider the above matters.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: The Council closed the meeting at 8.57pm. The public and media left the Chamber and the Webcast.

COUNCIL REPORT

15 LAND CLASSIFICATION AT DENISTONE

Note: This Item was WITHDRAWN.

ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor, Councillor Brown adjourned the Council Meeting for five (5) minutes, the time being 9:00pm. The Council Meeting was adjourned to:-

Tuesday, 25 June 2024 to reconvene at 9:05pm.

Councillors Present in Chambers: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li, Maggio, Pedersen, Purcell and Yedelian OAM.

Councillors Present via online Audio Visual: Councillors Deshpande, O'Reilly and Song.

Staff Present: Chief Executive Officer, General Manager – Business and Operations, General Manager – City Shaping, General Counsel, Acting Chief Financial Officer, Executive Manager – City Infrastructure, Executive Manager – City Development, Acting Executive Manager – City Life, Executive Manager – People and Business, Manager – Business Assurance and Governance, Manager – Traffic Services, Manager – Engineering and Project Delivery, Manager – Circular Economy, Manager – Health, Building and Regulatory Services, Executive Officer – City Fabric, Executive Officer – City Economy, Executive Officer – City Spaces, Executive Officer – City Resilience, Acting Executive Officer – City Places, Senior Coordinator – Resources Recovery, Senior Coordinator – Program Delivery, Team Leader – Project Management, Project Director, Systems Support Officer, Civic Services Manager and Civic Support Officer.

MEETING RECONVENED

The Mayor, Councillor Brown reconvened the Council Meeting at 9:06pm on Tuesday, 25 June 2024.

Councillors Present in Chambers: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li, Maggio, Pedersen, Purcell and Yedelian OAM.

Councillors Present via online Audio Visual: Councillors Deshpande, O'Reilly and Song.

Staff Present: Chief Executive Officer, General Manager – Business and Operations, General Manager – City Shaping, General Counsel, Acting Chief Financial Officer, Executive Manager – City Infrastructure, Executive Manager – City Development, Acting Executive Manager – City Life, Executive Manager – People and Business, Manager – Business Assurance and Governance, Manager – Traffic Services, Manager – Engineering and Project Delivery, Manager – Circular Economy, Manager – Health, Building and Regulatory Services, Executive Officer – City Fabric, Executive Officer – City Economy, Executive Officer – City Spaces, Executive Officer – City Resilience, Acting Executive Officer – City Places, Senior Coordinator – Resources Recovery, Senior Coordinator – Program Delivery, Team Leader – Project Management, Project Director, Systems Support Officer, Civic Services Manager and Civic Support Officer.

COUNCIL REPORTS

16 CATHERINE HAMLIN PARK DESIGN OPTIONS

MOTION: (Moved by Councillors Lara-Watson and Han)

That Council resolve to:

- (a) Allocate a sum of **\$450,000** from the s7.11 Open Space Embellishment to the project, replacing the current allocation of **\$450,000** from the Macquarie Park Levy to match the MGP [**ATTACHMENT 5**] grant contribution.
- (b) Allocate an additional amount of **\$3,500,000** from the s7.11 Open Space Embellishment to the project, allowing for the full Masterplan scope of works to be completed as part of the contract.
- (c) Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to vary the contract and negotiate with Property NSW on behalf of Council, for the final scope of works as per **Option B**.

AMENDMENT: (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Purcell)

That given the complexity and importance of the report that consideration of this Item be deferred pending a workshop with Councillors.

On being put to the meeting, the voting on the Amendment was five (5) For and seven (7) Against. The Amendment was LOST. The Motion was then put and **CARRIED**.

Record of Voting:

For the Amendment: Councillors Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Deshpande, Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li and Yedelian OAM

RECOMMENDATION: (Moved by Councillors Lara-Watson and Han)

That Council resolve to:

- (a) Allocate a sum of **\$450,000** from the s7.11 Open Space Embellishment to the project, replacing the current allocation of **\$450,000** from the Macquarie Park Levy to match the MGP [ATTACHMENT 5] grant contribution.
- (b) Allocate an additional amount of **\$3,500,000** from the s7.11 Open Space Embellishment to the project, allowing for the full Masterplan scope of works to be completed as part of the contract.
- (c) Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to vary the contract and negotiate with Property NSW on behalf of Council, for the final scope of works as per **Option B**.

On being put to the meeting, Councillor Pedersen abstained from voting and accordingly her vote was recorded Against the Motion.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Deshpande, Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

17 REQUEST FOR TENDER – COR-RFT-06-23 WASTE RECYCLABLES, ORGANICS AND BULKY WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE**RECOMMENDATION:** (Moved by Councillors Lara-Watson and Li)

- (a) That Council declines to accept all tenders, and pursuant to Clause 178(3)(e) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, enters into negotiations with JJ Richards & Sons Pty Ltd and Veolia Environmental Services (Australia) Pty Ltd due to the departures from the Principals' Project Requirements, RFT and Contract.
- (b) That Council delegate the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) the authority to negotiate and enter into a contract for the provision of Waste, Recyclables, Organics and Bulky Waste Collection Services.
- (c) That Council advise all the respondents of Council's decision.
- (d) That Council is committed to delivering weekly waste bin services and this level shall be retained.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Deshpande, Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell, Song and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillor Maggio

MATTER OF URGENCY

Councillor Maggio advised the meeting that he wished to raise a Matter of Urgency regarding Rockend Cottage, the time being 9.45pm.

The Mayor, Councillor Brown accepted this matter as an Urgent Item.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Pedersen)

That Council consider a Matter of Urgency, raised by Councillor Maggio, regarding Rockend Cottage.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MATTER OF URGENCY – ROCKEND COTTAGE

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Pedersen)

- (a) That Council attempt to resolve any matters of concern with the tenant with an urgent meeting with all Council officers in the property, heritage and development sections of Council with a moving forward approach to support the reopening of Rockend Cottage as soon possible.
- (b) That a report be made available at the July Ordinary Meeting of Council with the results of the meeting.
- (c) That Council provide a media release following the meeting outlined in part (a) above, that provides a factual representation of the matters that affect Rockend Cottage.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

COUNCIL REPORT

18 CEO PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Note: Councillors Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song left the meeting at 10.33pm and were not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

RECOMMENDATION: (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Lara-Watson)

- (a) That Council notes the Chief Executive Officer's Performance Review Panel Report 2022-2023 and an overall performance rating of Very Satisfactory, being the second highest rating on the performance scale.
- (b) That Council endorses the Performance Panel's recommendation of no increase to the Chief Executive Officer's Annual Total Remuneration Package.
- (c) That the Mayor notify the Chief Executive Officer of the outcome of this performance review and the feedback provided and confirm any changes for the CEO's Performance Agreement for the next review period.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

OPEN SESSION

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Li)

- (a) That the Council resolve itself into open Council.
- (b) That the recommendations of Items considered in Closed Session be received and adopted as resolution of Council without any alteration or amendment thereto.
- (c) That the Minutes of the Closed Session be adopted.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Open Council resumed at 10.50pm.

The meeting closed at 10.55pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 23RD DAY OF JULY 2024

Chairperson