

## Council Meeting

MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 14/09

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**Meeting Date:** Tuesday 25 August 2009  
**Location:** Council Chambers, Level 6  
**Time:** 7.30pm

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**Councillors Present:** The Mayor, Councillor V J Tagg and Councillors M P Butterworth, A Etmekdjian, J Li, R Maggio, G O'Donnell, I J Petch, T W Perram, W Pickering, J Salvestro-Martin and S Yedelian OAM.

**Apologies:** Councillor Campbell

**Staff Present:** General Manager, Acting Group Manager – Community Life, Group Manager - Corporate Services, Group Manager – Environment & Planning, Group Manager - Public Works, General Counsel, Chief Financial Officer, Media & Community Relations Officer and Senior Administration Co-ordinator.

### **PRAYER**

Reverend Sue Willis of the St Anne's Anglican Church was present and offered prayer prior to the commencement of the meeting.

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Butterworth and Etmekdjian)

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting No. 13/09 held on 11 August 2009 be confirmed.

### **Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

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**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Councillor Salvestro-Martin disclosed a non-pecuniary interest in Item 2, Ryde Traffic Minutes (Min No 154) being Part A of the Public Facilities & Services Committee report referred to Council, for the reason that he owns property in close proximity to the street in question.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

No addresses were made to Council.

**MAYORAL MINUTES****BIKE FUTURE 2009 CONFERENCE - – MELBOURNE, 15-16 OCTOBER 2009**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by The Mayor, Councillor Tagg and seconded by Councillor Maggio)

- (1) That Council endorse the attendance of a Councillor/s at the Bike Future 2009 Conference in Melbourne on 15-16 October 2009.
- (2) That the following Councillors attend the Conference:
  - Councillors Perram and Maggio

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Tagg and Councillors Butterworth, Etmekdjian, Li, Maggio, Perram, Petch, Pickering, Salvestro-Martin and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillor O'Donnell

**MINUTES OF THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE NO. 08/09**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Butterworth)

That the Development Committee Report No. 08/09 be noted as dealt with under delegated authority.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

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**MINUTES OF PUBLIC FACILITIES & SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 11/09**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Perram and Petch)

That Part A of the Public Facilities & Services Committee Report No. 11/09 be dealt with seriatim and Part B be noted as dealt with under delegated authority.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

**2 RYDE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE - Minutes of Meeting held 6 August 2009**

Note: An item of correspondence dated 20 August 2009 from resident of Rickard Street was tabled regarding this matter and IS ON FILE.

Note: An item of correspondence dated 21 August 2009 from resident of North Road was tabled regarding this matter and IS ON FILE.

Note: A further item of correspondence dated 24 August 2009 from another resident of North Road, Ryde was tabled regarding this matter and IS ON FILE.

Note: An item of correspondence dated 20 August 2009 from a resident of Beattie Avenue was tabled regarding this matter and IS ON FILE.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Perram and Yedelian OAM)

That the report of the Traffic Engineer, dated 10/08/2009 on RYDE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE - Minutes of Meeting held 6 August 2009, be received and adopted as resolutions of Council with the exception of items 7, 14 and 31 which are amended to read as follows:

**Item 7: Wingate Avenue And Lakeside Road, Eastwood – Request for short term parking restrictions to facilitate easier access to Council’s new children’s playground at the north west corner of Eastwood Oval**

- (a) That Council notes the information contained within this report;
- (b) That Council approves the conversion of two (2) unrestricted parking spaces along Wingate Avenue (closest to the Lakeside Road intersection) to 2P parking;
- (c) That Council review the situation in six (6) months.

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**Item 14: (Min No 154) North Road, Ryde – Traffic Management Options Paper.**

- (a) That, as an initial measure, Council install edgeline marking on North Road from Blaxland Road to Quarry Road;
- (b) That advance ‘warning’ signs be installed on North Road in both directions before the bend approaching Willow Crescent;
- (c) That Council review the situation in three (3) months and submit concept plans of the short-listed options for this intersection.
- (d) That an analysis be undertaken on traffic calming measures to discourage “out of area” traffic flow on Beattie Avenue and along North Road from Blaxland Road to Quarry Road.

**Item 31: Blaxland Road, Top Ryde – Request for Review of Bus Stop Location**

- (a) That Council request that the bus stop currently situated outside 86 Blaxland Road, Ryde be permanently relocated to outside the Royal Hotel.
- (b) That Council give concurrence to the proposed bus shelters’ locations as outlined in this report.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

**5 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES - Ryde Safe Communities meeting held 16 July 2009**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Perram and Yedelian OAM)

- (a) That the report of the Manager - Community and Culture, dated 10 August 2009 on ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES - Ryde Safe Communities meeting held 16 July 2009, be received and noted.
- (b) That the Minutes of the Ryde Safe Communities Advisory Committee held on 16 July 2009 be received and noted.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Tagg and Councillors Etmekdjian, Li, Maggio, O'Donnell, Perram, Petch, Pickering and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors Butterworth and Salvestro-Martin

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**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS****1 REGISTERS - State Environmental Planning Policy No. 1****RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Salvestro-Martin and Yedelian OAM)

That the report of the Manager Assessment, dated 17 August 2009 on REGISTERS - State Environmental Planning Policy No. 1, be received and noted.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

**2 COUNCILLOR WORKSHOPS****RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Salvestro-Martin and Petch)

That the report of the Group Manager - Corporate Services, dated 18/08/2009 on COUNCILLOR WORKSHOPS, be received and noted subject to it being noted that Councillor Pickering attended the workshop on Assessment Report Recruitment Firms on 11 August 2009.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

**3 INVESTMENT REPORT - JULY 2009****RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Petch and Etmekdjian)

That the report of the Chief Financial Officer, dated 14/08/2009 on INVESTMENT REPORT - JULY 2009, be received and noted.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

**4 NSW LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND - Project Nomination****RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Petch and Salvestro-Martin)

- (a) That the report of the Business Support Coordinator - Public Works, dated 18/08/2009 on NSW LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND - Project Nomination, be received and noted.

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- (b) That Council approve the proposed list of projects for application under the NSW Local Infrastructure Fund as detailed in this report.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

**5 COUNCIL POLICIES - THE PAYMENT OF EXPENSES AND PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR THE MAYOR AND OTHER COUNCILLORS AND THE CODE OF CONDUCT**

**Motion:** (Moved by Councillors O'Donnell and Petch)

- (a) That the report of the Acting Manager Councillor Services, dated 19/08/2009 on COUNCIL POLICIES - THE PAYMENT OF EXPENSES AND PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR THE MAYOR AND OTHER COUNCILLORS AND THE CODE OF CONDUCT, be received and noted.
- (b) That the Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities for the Mayor and other Councillors be amended that changes Clause 12 Time Limits to 3 months, effective from 1 October 2009.
- (c) That Council's Code of Conduct as circulated under separate cover to the report be endorsed as the City of Ryde's Code of Conduct.
- (d) That both Policies be updated on Council's Web site.
- (e) That no public exhibition be required for the changes to the Payment of Expenses and provisions of Facilities for the Mayor and other Councillors as they are not determined to be substantial.

**Amendment:** (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Etmekdjian)

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- (e) That no public exhibition be required for the changes to the Payment of Expenses and provisions of Facilities for the Mayor and other Councillors as they are not determined to be substantial.
- (f) That the Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities for the Mayor and other Councillors Policy be amended in part (b) to include the Mayor's vehicle being altered to a hybrid/4 cylinder vehicle.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Councillors Etmekdjian, Li, Maggio, Pickering and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Tagg and Councillors Butterworth, O'Donnell Perram, Petch and Salvestro-Martin

**ON BEING PUT TO THE MEETING THE AMENDMENT WAS DECLARED LOST**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors O'Donnell and Petch)

- (a) That the report of the Acting Manager Councillor Services, dated 19/08/2009 on COUNCIL POLICIES - THE PAYMENT OF EXPENSES AND PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR THE MAYOR AND OTHER COUNCILLORS AND THE CODE OF CONDUCT, be received and noted.
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**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Tagg and Councillors Butterworth, Etmekdjian, Li, O'Donnell, Perram, Petch, Pickering and Salvestro-Martin

Against the Motion: Councillors Maggio and Yedelian OAM

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**6 MANAGEMENT PLAN IMPLEMENTATION - 1 APRIL - 30 JUNE 2009**

Note – The General manager provided a presentation to Council on the Management Plan Implementation: 1 April – 30 June 2009

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Pickering and Petch)

- (a) That the report of the Chief Financial Officer, dated 13/08/2009 on MANAGEMENT PLAN IMPLEMENTATION - 1 APRIL - 30 JUNE 2009, be received and noted and the adjustments to Councils 2008/2009 budget as detailed in the report be adopted.
- (b) That the Certificate of the responsible Accounting Officer attached to the report of the Chief Financial Officer dated 13 August 2009 be noted.
- (c) That the proposed carry overs included in this report totalling \$464K be endorsed and included in the 2009/2010 Budget.
- (d) That Council acknowledge Council's excellent result in this review and congratulate the General Manager and staff on this result.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

**7 UPDATE ON COURT ACTIONS**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Butterworth and Petch)

That the report of the General Counsel, dated 18/08/2009 on UPDATE ON COURT ACTIONS, be received and noted.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

**PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE FOR CONSIDERATION****1 UPDATED SMOKE-FREE OUTDOOR AREAS RESOURCE KIT**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved By Councillors Petch And Pickering)

That the correspondence be received.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

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**2 SERENITY NSW Inc.**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved By Councillors Petch And O'Donnell)

That the correspondence be received and the information be referred for consideration in Council's Community Grants Program.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

**3 PROPOSAL FOR NSW FEDERAL ELECTORAL REDISTRIBUTION**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved By Councillors Petch And Salvestro-Martin)

That the correspondence be received.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

**NOTICES OF MOTION****1 MIDWAY SHOPPING CENTRE - Traffic Management Issues - Councillor O'Donnell**

That traffic management issues raised by the residents in Rocca Street related to the Midway Shopping Centre be referred to the Traffic Committee for investigation of options to minimise the impact on residents. This should be done in consultation with the owner of the shopping centre.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors O'Donnell and Yedelian OAM)

That traffic management issues raised by the residents in Rocca Street related to the Midway Shopping Centre be referred to the Traffic Committee for investigation of options to minimise the impact on residents. This should be done in consultation with the owner of the shopping centre.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

## **2 WEST RYDE & GLADESVILLE EVENTS & PROMOTIONS COMMITTEES - Councillor Li**

That, as part of the upcoming report on advisory committees to be presented to Council, a report also be prepared examining the merits of establishing town-specific Events & Promotions Committees for West Ryde, Gladesville, and any other town centres, in addition to the existing Eastwood Events & Promotions Committee (which may serve as a model).

WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MOVER THE MOTION WAS AMENDED AS **RESOLVED** AS FOLLOWS:

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Li and The Mayor, Councillor Tagg)

- (a) That, as part of the upcoming report on advisory committees to be presented to Council on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2009, the Eastwood Events & Promotions Committee remain.
- (b) That a further report be prepared that considers having both a town centre specific Events & Promotions Committee and/or a City Wide Events & Promotions Committee.

### **Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Tagg and Councillors Butterworth, Etmekdjian, Li, Perram, Petch, Pickering and Salvestro-Martin

Against the Motion: Councillors O'Donnell, Maggio and Salvestro-Martin

## **3 LOCAL PARTNERSHIP GRANTS - Councillor Li**

That the City of Ryde submits an application to enter into a partnership agreement with the NSW Community Relations Commission to engage a part time community worker to serve the needs of the growing number of elderly mandarin speaking residents in Ryde.

WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MOVER THE MOTION WAS AMENDED AND **RESOLVED** AS FOLLOWS:

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Li and Petch)

That Council receive a report on entering into a partnership agreement with the NSW Community Relations Commission to engage a part time community worker to serve the needs of the growing number of elderly mandarin speaking and other culturally and linguistically diverse residents of a non English speaking background in Ryde.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

**4 MARSFIELD PARKING METERS - Councillor Li**

That as an interim measure, a report be prepared to consider the merits of introducing 2 hour free parking in the residential streets surrounding Macquarie University that currently have parking meters, including Talavera Rd and Culloden Rd.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Li and Butterworth)

That as an interim measure, a report be prepared to consider the merits of introducing 2 hour free parking in the residential streets surrounding Macquarie University that currently have parking meters, including Talavera Rd and Culloden Rd.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

**5 ROUNDABOUT SAFETY - Councillor Petch**

That the General Manager report on methods which will achieve more driver awareness and greater safety in the use of Roundabouts within the City of Ryde. This report should include but not be limited to:-

- Greater cognisance of and compliance with the law (many motorists are, in ignorance, breaking the law and liable to significant penalties)
- Smoother and more fluid traffic flow (particularly in potential bottlenecks such as that at the Meadowbank Railway Overpass.

- Fewer accidents and near misses between those who attempt to comply with and those who break the law.
- Fewer incidents of road rage and frustration between law breakers and law abiders.

WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MOVER THE MOTION WAS AMENDED AND IT WAS **RESOLVED** AS FOLLOWS:

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Petch and Butterworth)

That the General Manager report on methods which will achieve more driver awareness and greater safety in the use of Roundabouts within the City of Ryde. This report should include but not be limited to:-

- Greater cognisance of and compliance with the law (many motorists are, in ignorance, breaking the law and liable to significant penalties)
- Smoother and more fluid traffic flow (particularly in potential bottlenecks such as that at the Meadowbank Railway Overpass.
- Fewer accidents and near misses between those who attempt to comply with and those who break the law.
- Fewer incidents of road rage and frustration between law breakers and law abiders.
- State Government agencies being requested to carry out and/or assist Council with its local community awareness campaigns.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous.

### **NOTICES OF RESCISSION**

There are no Notices of Rescission

### **QUESTIONS BY COUNCILLORS AS PER POLICY**

There are no Questions by Councillors as per Policy

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**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

No addresses were made to Council.

**NATIONAL ANTHEM**

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

The meeting closed at 10.15pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 08<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2009

Chairperson

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General Manager

Mayor