

Meeting Date: Tuesday 27 September 2022
Location: Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde and Online
Time: 6.00pm

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

Apologies: Councillor O'Reilly.

Staff Present: General Manager, Director – Corporate Services, Acting Director – Customer and Community Services, Director – City Planning and Environment, Acting Director – City Works, General Counsel, Chief Financial Officer, Manager – Communications and Engagement, Manager – Corporate Governance, Manager – People and Culture, Manager – Parks, Manager – Community and Ranger Services, Acting Manager – Transport, Eastwood Central Special Commercial Manager, System Support Officers, Civic Services Manager and Civic Support Officer.

PRAYER

Minister Alan Au of the Captivate Presbyterian Church, North Ryde 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

Councillor Han disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 15 – Traffic and Parking Matters approved by the Ryde Traffic Committee Meeting – August 2022 for the reason that he works as a teacher at Ryde Secondary College which is on Malvina Street.

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
Michelle Brooks – Principal (representing Putney Public School)	Notice of Motion 2 – Pedestrian Safety on Charles Street
Angela Burgess & David Dickie	Notice of Motion 3 - Site Inspection – 2 Nelson Street, Gladesville

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

The following persons provided a written submission to Council:-

Name	Topic
Stephen Sutton	Development Application - LDA2012/0247 and MOD2016-175
Faisal Syed	Increased activity of mobile speed cameras on Morrison Road, Putney

COUNCIL REPORTS

1 DETERMINATION OF OFFICE AND FEE OF DEPUTY MAYOR

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Brown and Deshpande)

- (a) That Council elect a Deputy Mayor for the ensuing period until September 2023.
- (b) That where the Deputy Mayor is to act in the Office of the Mayor, that this is to be done by way of a Council resolution.
- (c) That where there is a Council resolution in accordance with (b) above, the Deputy Mayor will be paid a fee to undertake the responsibilities of the Office of the Mayor on a pro rata basis, deducted from the Mayoral Fee.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

2 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

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

- (a) That the method of voting for the election of Deputy Mayor be open voting by show of hands.
- (b) That the Chief Executive Officer, as Returning Officer, undertake the election of Deputy Mayor by announcing the nominations and then conducting the election.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

As a result, THE METHOD OF VOTING FOR ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR WAS OPEN VOTING BY SHOW OF HANDS.

The Chief Executive Officer, as Returning Officer, advised that there were two (2) nominations for Office of Deputy Mayor, namely Councillor Yedelian OAM and Councillor Pedersen.

The Chief Executive Officer invited further nominations. There were no further nominations.

THE ELECTION FOR DEPUTY MAYOR was conducted by the Chief Executive Officer, as Returning Officer, which resulted in the following voting:

Councillor Yedelian OAM **7 votes**

Voting in favour: The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Brown, Deshpande, Han, Lara-Watson, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

Councillor Pedersen **3 votes**

Voting in favour: Councillors Pedersen, Purcell and Song

As a result of the voting, COUNCILLOR YEDELIAN OAM WAS DULY ELECTED DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING PERIOD UNTIL SEPTEMBER 2023.

The Mayor, Councillor Lane then invited the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Yedelian OAM to address the meeting.

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Yedelian OAM gave a brief acknowledgement following his election.

3 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE

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

That Council adopt Mayoral Minute 26/22, Mayoral Minute 27/22, Item 5, Item 6, Item 7, Item 8, Item 10, Item 11, Item 13, Item 14, Item 16, Notice of Motion 1, Notice of Motion 4 and Late Confidential Item 19 on the Council Agenda as per the recommendations in the reports.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MAYORAL MINUTES

**MM26/22 OFFENSIVE AGAINST REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA AND ARTSAKH
– Mayor, Councillor Jordan Lane and Councillor Sarkis Yedelian
OAM**

RESOLUTION:

That Council:-

- (a) Condemns Azerbaijan's violations of the Nagorno Karabakh ceasefire agreement dated 9 November 2020, including Azerbaijan's most recent offensive against the Republic of Artsakh on 28 July 2022 and on 12th September 2022 against the sovereign borders of the Republic of Armenia.
- (b) Recognises the concerns of the Armenian-Australian community regarding Azerbaijan's continuing violation of human rights and international humanitarian law in Artsakh (Nagorno Karabakh) and Armenia.
- (c) Recognises the local Armenian community's appeal to their elected representatives at all levels of government to stand for the rights of the Indigenous Armenians of Artsakh (Nagorno Karabakh).
- (d) Write to local State member, Victor Dominello MP and Federal member, Jerome Laxale within the month to advocate to the Federal and State Governments to:-
 - (i) Call on Azerbaijan to cease all hostilities against Artsakh and Armenia and honour the Nagorno Karabakh ceasefire agreement dated 9 November 2020;
 - (ii) Call on the withdrawal of Azerbaijan's armed forces from the territories of Armenia and Artsakh;

- (iii) Recognise the right to self-determination of the Indigenous Armenians of the Republic of Artsakh and the independence of the Republic of Artsakh;
- (iv) Call on the governments of Azerbaijan and Turkey to respect the OSCE Minsk Group peace process for the Karabakh/Artsakh conflict, in particular the non-use of force;
- (v) Call on Azerbaijan to release all Armenian prisoners of war remaining in forced captivity since the ceasefire agreement dated 9 November 2020; and
- (vi) Condemn Azerbaijan's desecration of ancient Armenian Christian and cultural sites in the currently occupied territories of the Republic of Artsakh.

**MM27/22 INTEGRITY, TRANSPARENCY AND GOVERNANCE – Mayor,
Councillor Jordan Lane**

RESOLUTION:

- (a) That Council:-
 - (i) Expand the terms of the service review of our Digital Customer Experience to include the development of real-time digital information to be published on our platforms to address both customer and the wider community's expectations.
 - (ii) Refresh Council's Communications and Engagement Strategy to deepen the engagement with our communities to ensure that there is sufficient understanding and feedback to confidently consider the response as representative of the priority/desire of the community on the issue.
 - (iii) Through the annual review of Fees and Charges, demonstrate that the appropriate evaluation has been undertaken to minimise the contribution required from our rate base to provide our range of services and functions whilst maintaining our competitive position within any market.
 - (iv) Provide qualitative information to the community about the outcomes of its Community Grants program to ensure transparency about the social, economic, and environmental benefits obtained through its provision of public money. Where possible, this information should detail what public funding gaps Council is filling.

- (b) That staff report progress on these initiatives to Council through the Councillor Information Bulletin firstly in November and as required and to the community in the quarterly performance reviews.

COUNCIL REPORTS

5 REFERRAL OF 2021/22 DRAFT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO EXTERNAL AUDIT

RESOLUTION:

That Council releases the draft 2021/22 Financial Statements for external audit purposes, pursuant to section 413 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

6 COUNCILLOR EXPENSES AND FACILITIES POLICY

RESOLUTION:

- (a) That Council endorse the public exhibition of the draft Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy, as **ATTACHED** for a period of at least 28 days.
- (b) That following the exhibition period, a further report be provided to Council detailing any submissions received and seeking the adoption of the draft Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy.

7 DRAFT PETITIONS POLICY

RESOLUTION:

- (a) That Council endorse the Draft Petitions Policy as **ATTACHED** to be placed on public exhibition for 28 days to allow submissions to be received.
- (b) That at the conclusion of the public exhibition period, should no submissions be received, the Policy be adopted by Council.
- (c) That should any submissions be received during the public exhibition period, a further report be presented to Council outlining these submission.

8 URBAN FOREST STRATEGY

Note: A Memorandum from the Acting Director – City Works dated 27 September 2022 was tabled in relation to this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

RESOLUTION:

- (a) That the draft "Urban Forest Strategy" be placed on public exhibition for twenty-eight (28) days plus 14 days for submissions to be received.
- (b) That a further report be provided to Council should any objections be received during the consultation period.
- (c) That should no objections be received, the Strategy is adopted and implemented as outlined in this report.
- (d) That Council endorses the Significant Tree Register Manual as attached to this report.

10 LIVE SITES IN RYDE - FIFA MEN AND WOMEN'S WORLD CUP 2022/2023

RESOLUTION:

- (a) That Council supports the live outdoor screening of the FIFA World Cup 2022 Game 2 on Saturday, 26 November at 9.00pm at ELS Hall Park Field 2.
- (b) That \$20,000 is allocated in the next Quarterly Budget Review to host the outdoor live site.
- (c) That Council promote other venues in the City of Ryde who will be screening games throughout the FIFA world cup period, including but not limited to the Australian Games.
- (d) A further report is brought to Council in February 2023 for the live screening of the FIFA Women's World Cup.

11 VARIATIONS TO DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS UNDER CLAUSE 4.6 OF RYDE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT PLAN 2014

RESOLUTION:

That the report on the Clause 4.6 variations 1 April to 30 June 2022 be received and noted.

13 PROPOSED MOTIONS FOR 2022 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE – HUNTER VALLEY – 23 OCTOBER TO 25 OCTOBER 2022

RESOLUTION:

That Council endorse the motions listed in this report for submission to Local Government NSW for consideration at the 2022 Local Government NSW Annual Conference.

14 2022 AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION (ALGWA) NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE – 7 TO 9 JULY 2022 – Information Report submitted by Councillor Penny Pedersen

RESOLUTION:

That Council receive and note the information included in the report submitted by Councillor Pedersen regarding her attendance at the 2022 Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA) NSW Annual Conference.

INFORMATION REPORT

16 REPORT FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL – INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 AUGUST 2022

Note: An Information Report was presented to Council.

NOTICES OF MOTION

1 THANK YOU TO NSW SES RYDE UNIT – Councillor Roy Maggio

RESOLUTION:

- (a) That Council thanks NSW SES Ryde Unit for their assistance to the residents of Ryde throughout this years unprecedented weather conditions.
- (b) That the Mayor organises a small thank you function on a Sunday afternoon to personally thank the Ryde SES volunteers for their service to the community.
- (c) That the function be funded from the Councillor and Mayoral fees and associated expenses budget up to an amount saved this year from a decision of Council not to take the annual fee increase of 2% for 2022/2023.

- (d) That the event be promoted through all media channels and an open invitation in the Mayors Column to residents affected during recent emergencies so they can attend to show their appreciation.

**4 SAFER AND ACCESSIBLE TRAIN STATION KISS AND RIDES –
Councillor Sophie Lara-Watson**

RESOLUTION:

- (a) This Notice of Motion seeks City of Ryde Staff to investigate the inclusion of safer and accessible kiss and ride zones near train stations in the next iteration of the “Integrated Transport Strategy.”
- (b) City of Ryde Staff are requested to investigate the following zones via community consultation and traffic studies and report results via workshop ahead of the next “Integrated Transport Strategy”:-
 - (i) Top Ryde Bus Interchange: The current kiss and ride on Pope Street mainly services library drop offs. An additional zone could be added on Tucker Street along Top Ryde where there are currently two parking spots.
 - (ii) Denistone train station: Immediately move the kiss and ride from the bridge to alongside the nearby car park.
 - (iii) West Ryde Station: The current kiss and ride is easily missed. It is disrupting traffic as it leads into a left hand turn towards Victoria Road. Staff should investigate a kiss and ride within the bus interchange on West Parade and another on Ryedale Road.
 - (iv) Macquarie Park Station: The current drop off zone is not clear. The distance from the Metro Station is more than a block away. Council should work with the State Government to encourage drop offs to this location and North Ryde Metro station. These should be the preferred drop off zone rather than Macquarie University (which is undergoing separate upgrades) with the goal of reducing car traffic around a critical connection station.
 - (v) North Ryde Station: There are two easy access kiss and rides, this is the standard City of Ryde should be striving for.
 - (vi) Meadowbank Station: From the [Integrated Transport Strategy 2041 \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.nsw.gov.au/integrated-transport-strategy-2041), it is recognised there are plans to improve access to bus services, planned kiss and ride facilities, and reduced traffic on the eastern side of the railway line. The plan is from the State Government however staff should obtain a timeline for when this project is to progress and advocate for kiss and rides.

- (vii) Eastwood Station: From the [Integrated Transport Strategy 2041 \(nsw.gov.au\)](#) Pedestrian access between the two sides of Eastwood has recently been improved, following upgrading of the railway station. To add to these improvements, staff should investigate seamless kiss and ride zones on both sides of the station, which will increase the safety of commuters and reduce traffic disruption.

COUNCIL REPORT

19 ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE – CITY ADVOCACY FOCUS

RESOLUTION:

- (a) That Council determines, pursuant to Section 332 of the Local Government Act 1993, that Council's organisation structure be as recommended in this report, and as presented in Attachment 1, including those positions within the organisation structure that are Senior Staff positions, namely Chief Executive Officer, General Manager Business Operations, General Manager City Shaping, Director City Shaping, General Counsel and Chief Financial Officer.
- (b) That the Chief Executive Officer implement the organisation structure consistent with the consultation undertaken with Council to date and pursuant to Sections 332, 337, 338 and 340 of the Local Government Act 1993.
- (c) That the Chief Executive Officer implement the organisation structure, as detailed in this report, as soon as practicable, having regard to the consultation obligations required by the NSW Local Government (State) Award 2020 and any minor amendments to positions that are non-Senior Staff.

MAYORAL MINUTES

MM25/22 DEATH OF HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II - Mayor, Councillor Jordan Lane

RESOLUTION: (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Lane)

- (a) That a minute's silence be observed to reflect on the life of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.
- (b) That the messages placed in the condolence book be forwarded to Buckingham Palace.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: A one minute silence was then observed by the meeting.

MM26/22 OFFENSIVE AGAINST REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA AND ARTSAKH - Mayor, Councillor Jordan Lane and Councillor Sarkis Yedelian OAM

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

MM27/22 INTEGRITY, TRANSPARENCY AND GOVERNANCE - Mayor, Councillor Jordan Lane

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

MATTER OF URGENCY

Councillor Brown advised the meeting that he wished to raise a Matter of Urgency regarding LDA 2022/0267 - 22 Winbourne Street, West Ryde, the time being 6.34pm.

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

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Brown and Han)

That Council consider a Matter of Urgency, raised by Councillor Brown, regarding LDA 2022/0267 - 22 Winbourne Street, West Ryde.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MATTER OF URGENCY – 22 WINBOURNE STREET, WEST RYDE

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Brown and Han)

- (a) That the City of Ryde extends the period of community consultation on the Development Application submitted for 22 Winbourne Street, West Ryde.
- (b) That the closing date should be extended from Friday, 30 September 2022 to close on Monday, 31 October 2022.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MATTER OF URGENCY

Councillor Purcell advised the meeting that he wished to raise a Matter of Urgency regarding the violence of the Iranian Government against its people, the time being 6.37pm.

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

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That Council consider a Matter of Urgency, raised by Councillor Purcell, regarding the violence of the Iranian Government against its people.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MATTER OF URGENCY – VIOLENCE OF THE IRANIAN GOVERNMENT AGAINST ITS PEOPLE

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That Council:-

- (a) Condemns the Iranian Government's brutal reactions over the past 10 days and nights in the face of protestors and social reformists.
- (b) Recognises the concerns of the Persian-Australian community regarding the deaths, incarceration and brutality of the crack down.
- (c) Write to local State member, Victor Dominello MP and Federal member, Jerome Laxale within the fortnight to advocate to the Federal and State Governments to:
 - (i) Demand the Iranian Government to cease the killing and brutality against its own people.
 - (ii) Demand the release all those incarcerated as a result of the recent protests.
 - (iii) Demand the return and normalisation of basic communications for the people of Iran.
 - (iv) Demand the Iranian Government to recognise the right to free speech, to protest and to seek social reform.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MATTER OF URGENCY

Councillor Maggio advised the meeting that he wished to raise a Matter of Urgency regarding the Gladesville Ravens Women's NPL Team's remarkable achievement in one of the City's football clubs, the time being 6.42pm.

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

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

That Council consider a Matter of Urgency, raised by Councillor Maggio, regarding the Gladesville Ravens Women's NPL Team's remarkable achievement in one of the City's football clubs.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

**MATTER OF URGENCY – GLADESVILLE RAVENS WOMEN'S NPL TEAM'S
REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT IN ONE OF THE CITY'S FOOTBALL CLUBS**

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

- (a) That Council invite the Gladesville Ravens woman's NPL team, administrators and coaching staff to the Council meeting in November and present them with a City of Ryde appreciation certificate of thanks for being crowned woman's FNSW Champions, a remarkable achievement for one of the city's local football clubs.
- (b) That a plaque is presented to the team captain by the Mayor, Chief Executive Officer and the Councillors.
- (c) That a photo is taken and published within all media Channels.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MATTER OF URGENCY

Councillor Han advised the meeting that he wished to raise a Matter of Urgency regarding the Melrose Park Development, the time being 6.49pm.

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

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Han and Brown)

That Council consider a Matter of Urgency, raised by Councillor Han, regarding the Melrose Park Development.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MATTER OF URGENCY – MELROSE PARK DEVELOPMENT

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Han and Brown)

- (a) That Council generates a submission to the City of Parramatta as a matter of urgency to address the following concerns:-
- (i) That appropriate traffic work in the VPA to be committed to alleviate the impact on Victoria Road travelling East and the local road network on the eastern side of Wharf Rd towards Meadowbank.
 - (ii) That appropriate area of open space is provided to address the dramatic increase in population as the open space of Meadowbank Park is anticipated to be significantly impacted.
 - (iii) That in the future Planning Agreement with the State Government and consultations in the planning process to include City of Ryde as a major stakeholder as the scale of the project significantly impacts the City of Ryde Road network and residents.
- (b) That Council to liaise promptly with the State Government (Department of Planning and Environment) to appropriately address the State infrastructure required in the City of Ryde.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

COUNCIL REPORTS

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 23 August 2022

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Maggio)

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 11/22, held on 23 August 2022 be confirmed.

Record of Voting:

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

Against the Motion: Councillors Pedersen, Purcell and Song

5 REFERRAL OF 2021/22 DRAFT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO EXTERNAL AUDIT

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

6 COUNCILLOR EXPENSES AND FACILITIES POLICY

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

7 DRAFT PETITIONS POLICY

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

8 URBAN FOREST STRATEGY

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

9 FEEDBACK FROM COMMUNITY CONSULTATION ON THE RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF ALCOHOL FREE ZONES IN CITY OF RYDE

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Maggio)

(a) That Council re-establish Alcohol Free Zones in the following areas:-

- West Ryde Bus Interchange
- Meadowbank, encompassing Bowden Street and Bay Drive, including Meadowbank Ferry Wharf
- Eastwood Town Centre
- Trim Place and Coulter Street (between Trim Place and Linsley Street), Gladesville
- West Ryde Plaza, between Anthony Road and Market Street

- (b) That the Alcohol-Free Zones be temporarily suspended for any Council events.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

10 LIVE SITES IN RYDE - FIFA MEN AND WOMEN'S WORLD CUP 2022/2023

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

11 VARIATIONS TO DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS UNDER CLAUSE 4.6 OF RYDE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT PLAN 2014

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

12 WEST WARD BY-ELECTION - SATURDAY, 15 OCTOBER 2022

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Deshpande)

- (a) That Council receive and note the cost estimate for the by-election.
- (b) That Council fund these additional costs from the Election Reserve.

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

Record of Voting:

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

Against the Motion: Councillors Maggio, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

13 PROPOSED MOTIONS FOR 2022 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE - HUNTER VALLEY - 23 OCTOBER TO 25 OCTOBER 2022

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

14 2022 AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION (ALGWA) NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE - 7 TO 9 JULY 2022 - Information Report submitted by Councillor Penny Pedersen

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

15 TRAFFIC AND PARKING MATTERS APPROVED BY THE RYDE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING - AUGUST 2022

Note: Councillor Han disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that he works as a teacher at Ryde Secondary College which is on Malvina Street.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Han)

That Council endorses the following Ryde Traffic Committee recommendations from the meeting held in August 2022:-

(A) MALVINA STREET, RYDE - PROPOSED NO PARKING ZONE

- a) That staff undertake a road safety audit on the intersection of Malvina Street and Forrest Road, Ryde.
- b) That staff undertake consultation with the school community and local residents about the options developed through the road safety audit.
- c) That a report be brought back to Council.

(B) PAUL STREET, NORTH RYDE - PROPOSED MOTORBIKES ONLY PARKING ZONE

The following changes be made on Paul Street, North Ryde:

- a) A 4.6 metres long 'Motorbikes Only' parking zone be installed between the driveway access of No.19 and No.21 Paul Street, North Ryde.

(C) MARGARET STREET, RYDE - CHANGES TO LINE MARKING AND PARKING RESTRICTIONS

The following changes be made on Margaret Street, Ryde:

- a) Double barrier lines on Margaret street be shortened by 5 metres.
- b) Install 'No Parking' across two parking spaces and the driveway accesses of 506 and 508 Victoria Road, Ryde.

(D) MATTERS APPROVED UNDER DELEGATION

The parking control measures outlined in *Table 1* of **ATTACHMENT 1** be installed to reinforce existing controls under the [NSW] *Road Rules 2014*.

(E) ROAD SAFETY UPDATE - ROAD SAFETY PROGRAMS

- a) The Road Safety report be received and noted.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

INFORMATION REPORT

16 REPORT FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL - INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 AUGUST 2022

Note: An Information Report was presented to Council.

NOTICES OF MOTION

1 THANK YOU TO NSW SES RYDE UNIT - Councillor Roy Maggio

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

2 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ON CHARLES STREET - Councillor Roy Maggio

Note: Michelle Brooks – Principal (representing Putney Public School) made a written submission on this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

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

- (a) That Council commissions an independent Road Safety Audit to be undertaken at the roundabout intersection of Charles Street and Parry Street, Putney to assess safety risks to road users at this location (e.g. children crossing Charles Street).
- (b) That Council considers appropriate options such as the provision of a pedestrian crossing or pedestrian refuge on Charles Street at/near Parry Street to mitigate risks identified in the independent Road Safety Audit.
- (c) That Council undertakes community consultation on proposed options to improve pedestrian safety at the roundabout intersection of Charles Street and Parry Street, Putney.
- (d) That the option(s) supported by the outcomes of the public consultation are tabled at the Ryde Local Traffic Committee for endorsement and reported back to Council.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

3 SITE INSPECTION - 2 NELSON STREET, GLADESVILLE - Councillor Roy Maggio

Note: Angela Burgess and David Dickie made a written submission on this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

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

- (a) That Council carry out a site inspection of 2 Nelson Street, Gladesville within 10 days with the residents, any interested Councillors, the Acting Director and any appropriate staff to be present. The purpose of the inspection is to discuss the safety component.
- (b) That following the inspection, Council staff bring a report back to the next Council meeting outlining recommendations.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

4 SAFER AND ACCESSIBLE TRAIN STATION KISS AND RIDES - Councillor Sophie Lara-Watson

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

5 UNSAFE FRUIT TREE NETS - Councillor Penny Pedersen

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Purcell)

- (a) That Council notes that:-
 - (i) each year backyard fruit tree netting entanglement causes the painful death of many flying foxes, birds, snakes and other animals. Netting entanglement maims, and exposes animals to heat stress, sun stroke, broken bones, myopathy and often results in death.
 - (ii) NSW wildlife rescue services undertake around 1000 call-outs for netting entanglements each year. The Government relies on volunteers to rescue wildlife, as RSPCA and Council officers rarely do so.
 - (iii) rescue of entangled flying foxes requires specialist trained and vaccinated rescuers and in peak season the netting rescues are unrelenting.
 - (iv) wildlife "safe" netting (aperture no more than 5mm x 5mm) is available at most hardware shops.

- (v) Victoria have passed legislation, to prevent the sale of unsafe nets and ACT are about to follow. The ban does not apply to commercial growers as Modern orchards already use wildlife friendly netting “canopies”.
- (vi) the grey-headed flying fox is already listed as endangered and may not survive this century so every preventable death is totally unacceptable.
- (b) That the Chief Executive Officer write to Minister for Agriculture, the Hon. Dugald Saunders MP, calling for a ban on unsafe “backyard” netting.
- (c) That upon receipt of correspondence from Minister Saunders MP, the City of Ryde staff run an education campaign to inform residents of Ryde on the danger to wildlife when they use unsafe netting and encourage the use of wildlife "safe" netting (aperture no more than 5mm x 5mm).

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

6 RYDE HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT - Councillor Penny Pedersen

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Purcell)

- (a) That City of Ryde Council supports the redevelopment of Ryde Hospital and thanks the Member for Ryde Victor Dominello for his continuous advocacy.
- (b) Recognise staff have submitted a comprehensive submission detailing concerns of including traffic, heritage, trees and site configuration and awaiting additional information on concerns raised.
- (c) That City of Ryde Staff organise a briefing with NSW Health for interested Councillors.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

CLOSED SESSION

ITEM 17 - PROPERTY MATTER

Confidential

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ITEM 18 - RYDE CENTRAL PROJECT

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Note: Councillor Lara-Watson left the meeting at 8.18pm and was not present for voting on this Item.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Brown and Purcell)

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 8.18pm. The public and media left the chamber.

Note: Councillor Lara-Watson returned to the meeting, the time being 8.20pm.

CONFIDENTIAL COUNCIL REPORTS

17 PROPERTY MATTER

RECOMMENDATION: (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Brown)

- (a) That Council purchase the land known as Lot 1 in DP 1231416 otherwise known as 45A Waterloo Rd, Macquarie Park (Property) from Property NSW for the amount of \$1.4 million (excl. GST);
- (b) Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and:-
 - (i) Execute all contracts, instruments and documents in order to effect the purchase and transfer of the Property in accordance with resolution (a) above; and
 - (ii) Enter on Council's behalf into the 'Works Agreement' for the construction of the park on the Property as per the terms contained within this report; and
- (c) That Council, pursuant to Section 34 of the Local Government Act 1993, give public notice as soon as practicable, of a proposed resolution to classify the Property as "Community Land".

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

18 RYDE CENTRAL PROJECT

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

- (a) That Council progress the design and construction of Ryde Central based on Option 2, a combined Community and Cultural Hall with Commercial Building sitting atop, to include a new planning application;
- (b) That Council develop and implement a community engagement program that ensures the community is fully aware that the Ryde Central project is still being delivered with the original functional outcomes, and will be within the original target price of \$110 million;
- (c) That Council further investigates the alternative funding strategy presented in the Report by undertaking a market sounding, further transaction structuring and financial modelling with the outcomes of this work presented to Council in a Workshop to be held before the Council meeting in December 2022; and

- (d) That Council approves a budget allocation of up to \$500,000 to undertake a Preliminary Business Case for the Library & Creativity Hub at Macquarie Centre including identification of community need / demand, assessment of the viability of the proposed performance space to determine the appropriate size of such a facility, estimated capital, operating and maintenance costs to be incurred by Council.
- (e) That Council receives a report back from staff on the outcomes of this business case, along with a funding strategy for the delivery of the Library & Creativity Hub at Macquarie Centre within six (6) months.

AMENDMENT: (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Purcell)

That staff bring back a report to Councillors at a workshop that explores more than three options to move forward on the delivery of the Ryde Central Project - including one that explores the delivery of the original design in stages.

On being put to the meeting, the voting on the Amendment was three (3) For and seven (7) Against. The Amendment was **LOST**. The Motion was then put and **CARRIED**.

Record of Voting:

For the Amendment: Councillors Pedersen, Purcell and Song

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

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Record of Voting:

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Against the Motion: Councillors Pedersen, Purcell and Song

19 ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE – CITY ADVOCACY FOCUS

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

OPEN SESSION

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

- (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 9.17pm.

The meeting closed at 9.17pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 25TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2022

Chairperson