

## MEDIA RELEASE

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## CITY OF RYDE MAYORAL ELECTION 2015 Mayor - Clr Jerome Laxale Deputy Mayor - Clr Roy Maggio

At a meeting of the City of Ryde Council last night, Councillor Jerome Laxale was elected as Mayor for a 12 month term. Councillor Roy Maggio was re-elected Deputy Mayor.

West Ward Councillor Laxale, aged 31, who is Ryde's youngest elected mayor, pledged bipartisan friendship to his fellow Councillors. "I am very honoured to accept the role of Mayor of the City of Ryde.

"As a working family man, I will proudly serve this community and would like to spend my time as Mayor addressing the issues facing many local families, such as recreation, child care and affordable housing.

"We are about to enter a period of unprecedented attack from the State Government in the form of forced amalgamations. Now, more than ever, Ryde will need to draw on the experience, enthusiasm and wisdom of the organisation to stand firm. I also look forward to working with Deputy Mayor Maggio as we face the challenges ahead."

Clr Maggio thanked his colleagues for their support: "I am honoured to again have the opportunity to serve as Deputy Mayor and I look forward to working closely with the Mayor and my fellow Councillors."

The next Council Meeting will take place on Tuesday 22 September 2015, at 7.30pm, in the Council Chambers, Civic Centre, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

## Note

A new Council and Committee Meeting calendar comes into effect from October 2015. The new schedule sees a once-a-month meeting cycle for all Standing Committees and Council Meetings, new starting times and the formation of a new Finance and Governance Committee. From October 2015 Council Meetings will commence at 7.00pm. For full details go to <a href="https://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/meetings calendar">www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/meetings calendar</a>

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