

Council Meeting MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 19/13

Meeting Date: Tuesday 10 September 2013

Location: Council Chambers, Level 6, Civic Centre, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde

Time: 7.30pm

Councillors Present: The Mayor, Councillor Petch and Councillors Chung, Etmekdjian, Li, Maggio, Pendleton, Perram, Pickering, Salvestro-Martin and Yedelian OAM.

Apologies: Councillor Laxale.

Absent: Councillor Simon.

Staff Present: Acting General Manager, Acting Group Manager – Community Life, Acting Group Manager - Corporate Services, Acting Group Manager – Environment & Planning, Acting Group Manager – Public Works, General Counsel, Manager – Communications and Media, Coordinator Digital Communications, Section Manager – Governance and Meeting Support Coordinator.

PRAYER

Pastor Dean Moore of the Ryde Baptist Church was present and offered prayer prior to the commencement of the meeting.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

The Mayor, Councillor Petch disclosed a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Mayoral Minute 20/13 – Extension to Time Limit for Submitting Councillor Reimbursement Claims from the Council Meeting held on 27 August 2013, for the reason that the original Motion dealt with all Councillors which was subsequently amended to specify The Mayor, Councillor Petch.

TABLING OF PETITIONS

No Petitions were tabled.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

The following persons addressed the Council:

Michelle Pont	Item 2 – Election of Mayor for Ensuing 12 Months, Item 5 –	
	Council/Committee Meetings – Schedule and Appointment of	
	Councillor Members to Standing Committees and Item 6 –	
	Advisory and External Committees – Appointment of Delegates	



PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

No addresses were made to Council.

MAYORAL MINUTES

There were no Mayoral Minutes.

COUNCIL REPORTS

1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 27 August 2013

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Salvestro-Martin)

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 18/13, held on 27 August 2013 be confirmed, subject to an amendment to Item 5(b) to read as follows:-

(b) That Council bring back a report on the staged construction of two amenities buildings preferably at both entrances of Santa Rosa Park.

Record of Voting:

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Petch and Councillors Chung, Etmekdjian, Li, Maggio, Pendleton, Pickering, Salvestro-Martin and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillor Perram

2 ELECTION OF MAYOR FOR ENSUING 12 MONTHS

Note: Michelle Pont addressed the meeting in relation to this Item.

At this stage of the meeting, the Mayor, Councillor Petch, gave a brief acknowledgement of his term as Mayor. He then vacated the Chair and the Acting General Manager, as Returning Officer, conducted the election of Mayor.

The Acting General Manager, as Returning Officer, gave an overview of the election process.

METHOD OF VOTING FOR ELECTION OF MAYOR

The Acting General Manager, as Returning Officer, presented the options on the method of voting for Mayor.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Chung and Yedelian OAM)

(a) That the method of voting be open voting by show of hands.



(b) That the Acting General Manager, as Returning Officer, undertake the election of Mayor for the ensuing 12 months by announcing the nominations and then conducting the election.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

As a result of the voting, <u>THE METHOD OF VOTING FOR ELECTION OF MAYOR WAS OPEN VOTING BY SHOW OF HANDS.</u>

The Acting General Manager, as Returning Officer, advised that there were two nominations for the Office of Mayor, namely Councillor Perram and Councillor Maggio.

The General Manager invited further nominations. There were no further nominations.

<u>THE ELECTION FOR MAYOR</u> was conducted by the Acting General Manager, as Returning Officer, which resulted in the following voting:

Councillor Perram 5 votes

Voting in favour: Councillors Li, Pendleton, Perram, Petch, and Salvestro-Martin

Councillor Maggio 5 votes

Voting in favour: Councillors Chung, Etmekdjian, Maggio, Pickering and Yedelian OAM

The Acting General Manager, as Returning Officer advised that as the number of votes cast for the two candidates were equal, that a draw by lot would be required to be undertaken. The candidate whose name was first drawn by lot would be declared elected as Mayor for the ensuing 12 months.

The Acting General Manager, as Returning Officer invited Councillors to inspect the ballot box and canisters that would be used in the election of Mayor.

The Acting General Manager, as Returning Officer organised for each candidate's name to be written on a separate slip, placed in separate canisters and then placed in the ballot box. The Returning Officer's assistant rotated the ballot box and then presented it to the Returning Officer for the draw by lot.

The Acting General Manager, as Returning officer then drew by lot.

As a result of the draw, <u>COUNCILLOR MAGGIO WAS DULY ELECTED</u> MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

The Mayor, Councillor Maggio then assumed the Chair of Mayor, as Chairperson of the meeting.



The Mayor, Councillor Maggio gave a brief acknowledgement following his election.

3 DETERMINATION OF FEE AND OFFICE OF DEPUTY MAYOR

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Chung)

- (a) That Council elect a Deputy Mayor for a one year term.
- (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 be paid a fee to undertake the roles and responsibilities of the office of the Mayor on a pro rata basis from the Mayoral Fee.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

4 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR FOR ENSUING 12 MONTHS

METHOD OF VOTING FOR ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

The Acting General Manager, as Returning Officer, presented the options on the method of voting for Deputy Mayor.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Petch and Etmekdjian)

- (a) That the method of voting be open voting by show of hands.
- (b) That the Acting General Manager, as Returning Officer, undertake the election of Deputy Mayor for the ensuing 12 months by announcing the nominations and then conducting the election.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

As a result of the voting, <u>THE METHOD OF VOTING FOR ELECTION OF MAYOR WAS OPEN VOTING BY SHOW OF HANDS.</u>

The Acting General Manager, as Returning Officer, advised that there were two nominations for the Office of Deputy Mayor, namely Councillor Li and Councillor Yedelian OAM.

The General Manager invited further nominations. There were no further nominations.



<u>THE ELECTION FOR DEPUTY MAYOR</u> was conducted by the Acting General Manager, as Returning Officer, which resulted in the following voting:

Councillor Li 5 votes

Voting in favour: Councillors Li, Pendleton, Perram, Petch and Salvestro-Martin

Councillor Yedelian OAM 5 votes

Voting in favour: The Mayor, Councillor Maggio and Councillors Chung, Etmekdjian, Pickering and Yedelian OAM

The Acting General Manager, as Returning Officer advised that as the number of votes cast for the two candidates were equal, that a draw by lot would be required to be undertaken. The candidate whose name was first drawn by lot would be declared elected as Deputy Mayor for the ensuing 12 months.

The Acting General Manager, as Returning Officer invited Councillors to inspect the ballot box and canisters that would be used in the election of Deputy Mayor.

The Acting General Manager, as Returning Officer organised for each candidate's name to be written on a separate slip, placed in separate canisters and then placed in the ballot box. The Returning Officer's assistant rotated the ballot box and then presented it to the Returning Officer for the draw by lot.

The Acting General Manager, as Returning officer then drew by lot.

As a result of the draw, <u>COUNCILLOR LI WAS DULY ELECTED DEPUTY</u> MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

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

5 COUNCIL/COMMITTEE MEETINGS - Schedule and Appointment of Councillor Members to Standing Committees

Note: Michelle Pont addressed the meeting in relation to this Item.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Chung and Yedelian OAM)

- (a) That Council endorse its Standing Committees of Planning and Environment, Works and Community and General Purposes Committee.
- (b) That Council endorse the **ATTACHED** meeting schedule for Committee and Council meetings for the remainder of 2013 and the full calendar year of 2014, noting that the schedule may be amended at any time, subject to one month transition period to allow for public notices to be given.



- (c) That Council endorse the following Councillors as members of the Planning and Environment Committee:
 - Councillor Chung
 - Councillor Etmekdjian
 - Councillor Yedelian OAM
 - Councillor Pickering
 - Councillor Salvestro-Martin
 - Councillor Laxale
- (d) That Council endorse the following Councillors as members of the Works and Community Committee:
 - Councillor Petch
 - Councillor Pendleton
 - Councillor Perram
 - Councillor Simon
 - Councillor Li
- (e) That a further report be presented to Council in December 2013, outlining dates for conducting three General Purposes Committee (Community Council Meetings) in 2014.
- (f) That Council note that the Planning and Environment and Works and Community Committee Meetings to be held on 1 October 2013 will be cancelled due to the Councillor attendance at the Local Government NSW Conference on 1 to 3 October 2013.
- (g) That Council note that due to the Local Government NSW Conference being held in October 2014, a Committee or Council meeting in October 2014 may be cancelled and this will be determined when the Conference date is confirmed.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

6 ADVISORY AND EXTERNAL COMMITTEES - Appointment of Delegates

Note: Michelle Pont addressed the meeting in relation to this Item.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Chung and Yedelian OAM)

(a) That the following Councillor delegates be appointed to the following Advisory Committees in accordance with the Terms of Reference, for the ensuing 12 months:

Advisory Committee	Councillor Delegates
Access Committee	Councillor Pendleton (Chair)
Bicycle Advisory Committee	Councillor Perram (Chair)
Community Harmony Reference	Councillor Yedelian OAM (Chair)
Group	Councillor Chung
	Councillor Etmekdjian
Eastwood Events and	Councillor Etmekdjian (Chair)
Promotions Advisory Committee	Councillor Li
	Councillor Perram
Economic Development Advisory	Councillor Etmekdjian (Chair)
Committee	Councillor Chung
Heritage Advisory Committee	Councillor Petch (Chair)
	Councillor Perram
Macquarie Park Forum	Councillor Pickering (Chair)
	Councillor Chung
	Councillor Etmekdjian
	Councillor Perram
Ryde Hunters Hill Joint Library	Councillor Chung
Services Committee	
Ryde Youth Forum	Councillor Chung
(Note: No Councillor Chairperson	
required)	
Sport and Recreation Advisory	Councillor Chung (Chair)
Committee	Councillor Perram
Status of Women Advisory	Councillor Pendleton (Chair)
Committee	

- (b) That due to the minimum appointment period of delegates to the Audit and Risk Advisory Committee, representation on this Committee next be considered in September 2014.
- (c) That Council appoint the following delegates to NSROC:
 - The Mayor, Councillor Maggio.
 - Councillor Petch until the NSROC AGM to be conducted in November, at which time Councillor Etmekdjian will become the formal delegate.
 - Councillors Yedelian OAM and Chung as alternate delegates.
- (d) That Council appoint Councillors Yedelian OAM and Chung as Council's delegates and Councillor Perram as an alternate delegate to the Joint Regional Planning Panel.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous



7 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE - 1 to 3 October 2013 - Confirmation of Delegates

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Etmekdjian)

That Council nominate The Mayor, Councillor Maggio and Councillors Etmekdjian, Pickering, Simon, Yedelian OAM, Chung and Petch to attend the Local Government NSW Annual Conference as voting delegates.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NATIONAL ANTHEM

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

The meeting closed at 8.27pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 24TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2013

Chairperson