

MINUTES

Council Meeting

Monday, 19 December 2022

7.00pm

Dragon Room

Level 1, Georges River Civic Centre

Corner Dora and MacMahon Streets, Hurstville



PRESENT

COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Mayor, Councillor Nick Katris, Councillor Ashvini Ambihapahar, Councillor Elise Borg, Councillor Sam Elmir, Councillor Veronica Ficarra, Councillor Christina Jamieson (online), Councillor Lou Konjarski, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Kathryn Landsberry, Councillor Nancy Liu, Councillor Peter Mahoney, Councillor Natalie Mort, Councillor Nick Smerdely, Councillor Sam Stratikopoulos, Councillor Colleen Symington and Councillor Benjamin Wang.

COUNCIL STAFF

Acting General Manager - David Tuxford, Director Assets and Infrastructure - Andrew Latta, Director Environment and Planning - Meryl Bishop, Director Community and Culture - Kristie Dodd, Acting Director Business and Corporate Services - Danielle Parker, Senior Solicitor – James Fan, Chief People Officer – Sharni Watts, Acting Manager, Office of the General Manager - Vicki McKinley, Manager Premium Facilities - Luke Coleman, Acting Manager Cultural Engagement and Library Services – Justin Yeomans (online), Acting Manager Community and Early Learning Services - Kylie Downing (online), Manager, Strategic Placemaking - Hayley Barnes (online), Coordinator Communications and Engagement – Catherine James (online), Executive Services Officer - Marina Cavar (Minutes), Executive Services Officer – Marisa Severino, Acting Chief Information Officer - Brendan Scott (online), Acting Head of Technology - Garuthman De Silva and Business Support Officer – Mark Tadros.

OPENING

The Mayor, Councillor Katris, opened the meeting at 7.02pm.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

All those present stood for the singing of the National Anthem.

PRAYER

The Reverend Dr Brian Tung from St Georges Hurstville Anglican Church offered a prayer to the meeting.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor, Councillor Katris acknowledged the Bidjigal people of the Eora Nation, who are the Traditional Custodians of all lands, waters and sky in the Georges River area. I pay my respect to Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who live, work and meet on these lands.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

There were no apologies or requests for leave of absence.

REQUEST TO ATTEND MEETING VIA AUDIO VISUAL LINK

RESOLVED: Councillor Mort and Councillor Mahoney

That Councillor Jamieson be granted permission to attend the meeting via audio visual link.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NOTICE OF WEBCASTING

The Mayor, Councillor Katris advised staff and the public that the meeting is being recorded for minute-taking purposes and is also webcast live on Council's website, in accordance with Section 5 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice. This recording will be made available on Council's Website.

CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE

Council's Code of Meeting Practice prohibits the electronic recording of meetings without the express permission of Council.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor Mahoney declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary interest in the item **CCL119-22 ASS032-22 Report of the Georges River Local Traffic Committee Advisory Committee Meeting 6 December 2022** for the reason that he is acquainted with one of the non-voting members of the Local Traffic Committee as the member was a former work colleague. As this is a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Mahoney will remain in the meeting.

Councillor Ambihaipahar declared a Pecuniary interest in the item **NM098-22 Bi-partisan agreement to the introduction of the cashless gambling card** for the reason that they are a relation to her employer. As this is a Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Ambihaipahar will leave the meeting and not participate in debate or voting on this item.

Councillor Jamieson declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary interest in the item **CCL064A-22 Management Agreements - Hurstville Golf Course and Hurstville Aquatic Leisure Centre** for the reason that she has had HALC Bluefit Membership issue circa 2017. As this is a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Jamieson will remain in the meeting.

Councillor Mahoney declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary interest in the item **MM041-22 Tree Works Oatley Park** for the reason that he is a member of Oatley Flora and Fauna Conservation Society which is making enquiries about this matter. As this is a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Mahoney will remain in the meeting.

PUBLIC FORUM

	Speaker	Report No	Report Title
1	Adrian Manson	CCL063-22	Report of the Community and Culture Committee Meeting held on 12 December 2022 (COM052-22 Place Naming - Unnamed Roads in Riverwood and Oatley - Results of Community Consultation)
2	David Nunn	CCL061-22	Report of the Community and Culture Committee Meeting held on 12 December 2022 (COM048-22 Resident and Visitor Parking Permit Report)
3	Gary Miller	CCL119- 22	Report of the Assets and Infrastructure Meeting held on 12 December 2022 (TAC 177-22 Proposed timed 'No Parking' Restrictions - The Crescent, Kingsgrove)
4	Adrian Polhill	CCL120-22	Report of the Community and Culture Committee Meeting held on 12 December 2022 (City Partnerships)
5	Julie Nestorovski	CCL119-22	Report of the Assets and Infrastructure Meeting held on 12 December 2022 (TAC 177-22 Proposed timed 'No Parking' Restrictions - The Crescent, Kingsgrove)
6	Megan Argent	NM099-22	Glenlee 80 Boronia Parade Lugarno
7	Caroline Hart	NM099-22	Glenlee 80 Boronia Parade Lugarno
8	Kim Wagstaff	NM101-22	Tree Vandalism

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**CCL117-22 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28 November 2022**

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Landsberry and Councillor Elmir

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28 November 2022 be adopted.

Record of Voting:For the Motion: Unanimous**MAYORAL MINUTES****MM038-22 Campaign Progress Report - Working Together for Better Building Certification**

(The Mayor, Councillor Katris)

RESOLVED: The Mayor, Councillor Katris

That the Mayor write to the Local Members, all Councils in Sydney Metropolitan area and Local Government NSW seeking their support for change and improvements to the certification system to ensure construction activity and the industry is more open, transparent, responsive, and accountable.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MM039-22 Grow It Local
(The Mayor, Councillor Katris)

RESOLVED: The Mayor, Councillor Katris

That Council support Georges River Council becoming a partner of Grow It Local, and the appropriate funds are allocated in the 2023/2024 budget to support that process.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MM040-22 Review of Community Grants Eligibility
(The Mayor, Councillor Katris)

RESOLVED: The Mayor, Councillor Katris

- (a) That the General Manager prepare a report, reviewing the eligibility criteria of Council's Community Grants program to ensure an equitable application process in accordance with Section 356 of the *Local Government Act*.
- (b) That the report outlines a review of implications of the following aspects of the Community Grants program:
 - i. The entity status of eligible groups, including small groups that function on a 'not for profit' basis.
 - ii. The requirement for organisations receiving over \$15,000.00 in financial assistance from Council to submit their audited financial statements be amended so that any organisation considered a small charity by the ACNC is exempt from this requirement.
 - iii. Applications for projects with religious purposes.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Councillor Smerdely left the meeting at 7.44pm.

MM041-22 Tree Works Oatley Park
(The Mayor, Councillor Katris)

Note: Councillor Mahoney disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in this item.

RESOLVED: The Mayor, Councillor Katris

That Council notes the works currently being undertaken at Oatley Park.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Katris and Councillors Ambihaipahar, Borg, Elmir, Ficarra, Konjarski, Landsberry, Mort, Stratikopoulos, Symington and Wang.

Against the Motion: Councillor Mahoney.

On being PUT to the meeting. Voting on this item was fourteen (14) vote FOR and one (1) vote AGAINST. The Motion was CARRIED.

CONDOLENCES

- Councillor Elmir expressed his condolences on the passing of Dr Zeina Merhi who passed away suddenly after a short illness. Dr Zeina Merhi has been pivotal not only in the Georges River community but across the world in the work that she did in the medical field. She was heavily involved with AusRelief, a not for profit organisation travelling across the globe assisting less fortunate communities and was one of the first doctors – General Practitioners that was involved in that organisation and encouraged many other doctors and health professionals to get involved. She will be sorely missed by the community. Her legacy will live on through the many lives that she has improved throughout her very short life on earth. We pay our respects to her family.
- Deputy Mayor, Councillor Landsberry expressed her condolences on behalf of all the Councillors on the recent passing of the Acting General Manager's Mother, Beula Dawn Tuxford. We pass on our condolences to you and your family.

Note: The meeting observed a moment's silence.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CCL118-22 Report of the Finance and Governance Committee held on 12 December 2022.

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Borg and Councillor Mort

That the Finance and Governance Committee recommendations for Items FIN057-22 to FIN058-22, as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

FIN057-22 Investment Report as at 31 October 2022

(Report by Acting Senior Financial Accountant - Reporting)

That the Investment Report as at 31 October 2022 be received and noted by Council.

FIN058-22 Code of Conduct Complaints Statistics 2021 - 2022

(Report by Acting Head of Corporate Governance and Risk)

That Council receives and notes the report on the Code of Conduct Complaints Statistics in the year to September 2022.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

CCL119-22 Report of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee 12 December 2022
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Symington and Councillor Konjarski

That the Assets and Infrastructure Committee recommendations for Items ASS039-22 and ASS040-22 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

ASS039-22 Report of the Georges River Local Traffic Committee Advisory Committee Meeting 06 December 2022
(Report by Senior Asset Engineer - Traffic and Transport)

Note: Councillor Mahoney disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in this item.

That the recommendations contained within the minutes of the Georges River Local Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting held on 6 December 2022 be adopted by Council.

ASS040-22 T22/005 Jubilee Stadium Naming Rights
(Report by Team Leader Procurement and Contracts)

- (a) That in accordance with 178(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, Council accepts the tender from Network Strata Services Pty Ltd for T22/005 Jubilee Stadium Naming Rights.
- (b) That the Acting General Manager be authorised to execute the Contract with the Successful Tenderer on behalf of Council.
- (c) That Council inform the unsuccessful Tenderers of the resolution.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Councillor Smerdely returned to the meeting at 7.54pm.

CCL120-22 Report of the Community and Culture Committee
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Liu and Councillor Elmir

That the Community and Culture Committee recommendations for Items COM048-22 and COM052-22 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

COM048-22 Resident and Visitor Parking Permit Report
(Report by Manager City Life)

- (a) That Council note the options for a tiered pricing model for Resident and Visitor Parking Permits in the seven Authorised Parking Permit Areas (APPA) of the Georges River Council local government area (LGA).
- (b) That Council adopt Option 2 as discussed in this report, to be implemented at the commencement of the 2023/24 financial year (1 July 2023), with the following amendments:

- (i) The cost of VPP1 permit is \$30.
- (ii) the cost of VPP2 permit is \$50.

COM049-22 Georges River Council City Partnerships Policy
(Report by Grants Officer)

- (a) That Council formally repeal the current Sister City Policy.
- (b) That Council endorse the Draft Georges River Council City Partnerships Policy for the purpose of public exhibition for a period of not less than 28 days.
- (c) That the submissions received during the public exhibition period be reported back to Council together with any recommended changes to the Draft Georges River Council City Partnerships Policy for adoption.
- (d) That during the public exhibition period, a copy of the Draft Georges River Council City Partnerships Policy be referred to the Independent Commission Against Corruption for review and comment.

COM050-22 Open Space Opportunities in Hurstville
(Report by A/Director Legal Services)

That Council writes to the local members of Parliament, the Minister for Cities, the Minister for Transport, and relevant shadow ministers to seek their support for:

- (a) A joint Council and NSW Government review of state owned and controlled land in Hurstville to identify land that should be reimaged as green open space to support the growing community of Hurstville; and
- (b) Upon completion of this study a strategy be developed to deliver this land to the community as green open space in line with the continued growth of Hurstville.

COM051-22 Outgoing Sponsorship and Donations
(Report by Coordinator Events and Sponsorship)

That Council approve the event sponsorship request of \$20,000 (\$17,760 financial value and \$2,240 in-kind value) to support the 'Greek Summer Festival' to be held on 12 February 2023.

COM052-22 Place Naming - Unnamed Roads in Riverwood and Oatley - Results of Community Consultation
(Report by Manager, Cultural Engagement and Library Services)

- (a) That Council assign and gazette the name "Theatre Lane" for the unnamed road which runs parallel to Belmore Road between Short Street and Webb Street, Riverwood.
- (b) That Council assign and gazette the name "Bubuk Place" for the unnamed road located on the west side of the Illawarra Railway and running north from Mimosa Street, Oatley

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE

CCL121-22 Applications Pursuant to Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund Policy - December 2022.

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Borg and Councillor Elmir

That the following applications for funding, pursuant to the Councillors Ward Discretionary Fund Policy, be approved:

- (a) Application submitted by Councillor Symington on behalf of Moving Forward DFV in the amount of \$958.00.
- (b) Application submitted by Councillor Wang on behalf of St George's Anglican Church Hurstville in the amount of \$1,000.00.
- (c) Application submitted by Councillor Wang on behalf of Heroes Light Volleyball Incorporated in the amount of \$500.00

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NOTICES OF MOTION

NM098-22 Bi-partisan Agreement to the Introduction of the Cashless Gambling Card. (Report by Councillor Mahoney)

Note: Councillor Ambihaipahar left the meeting due to pecuniary interest 7.57pm.

RESOLVED: Councillor Mahoney and Councillor Smerdely

That the Council writes to the Hon. Dominic Perrottet, MP, Premier of NSW and the Hon. Chris Minns, MP, Leader of the Opposition, with a view to seeking their bi-partisan agreement to the introduction of the cashless gambling card, and other consumer protection technologies in principle, and calls for an expansion of the trial of the cashless cards at pubs and clubs as part of an evidence-based approach to tackling money laundering and problem gambling in NSW.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Councillor Ambihaipahar returned to the meeting at 8.00pm.

Note: Councillor Smerdely left the meeting at 8.00pm.

NM099-22 Glenlee, 80 Boronia Parade, Lugarno.
(Report by Councillor Mahoney)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mahoney and Councillor Konjarski

- (a) That Council notes the advice provided by the Hon. Tanya Plibersek, MP, Minister for Environment and Water in her letter dated 23rd September 2022 to the Hon. Linda Burney MP, Minister for Indigenous Australians, to the effect that funding for the purchase of Glenlee is not currently available as the property is not on the National Heritage List.
- (b) That Council investigates the possibility of making an application for Glenlee to be placed on the National Heritage List by the Australian Heritage Council.
- (c) That Council investigates what safeguards may be available to protect the Indigenous heritage of Glenlee under Commonwealth legislation, i.e., the *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act 1984* (ATSIHP Act); the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC) Act 1999*; and the *Protection of Movable Cultural Heritage (PMCH) Act 1996*; and
- (d) That the General Manager refer the matter of the site's Aboriginal cultural heritage values and the possibility of Aboriginal objects held within the house to Council's Aboriginal Reference Group or a Bidjigal Elder.
- (e) That Council continues to urgently seek funding towards the purchase, restoration, embellishment and future maintenance of Glenlee from the relevant state and federal ministers and members.
- (f) That the Acting General Manager investigates whether or not access to Glenlee, 80 Boronia Parade, Lugarno by Council officers and Council-appointed consultants, to carry out inspections for natural history and Aboriginal relics, can be authorised by the Minister for Environment and Heritage under Section 148 of the Heritage Act, 1977; and
- (g) That, if the Minister for Environment and Planning authorises Council Officers and Council appointed consultants to carry out inspections of Glenlee, Council requests Mr James Griffin MP, Minister for Environment and Heritage, to urgently consider a new Interim Heritage Order for a period of 12 months, to allow for the inspection of the property to be undertaken, for the purposes of a complete assessment of its Aboriginal cultural and natural heritage values.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NM100-22 Congratulations to the Macedonian Cultural and Artistic Association Ilinden for the 2022 Macedonian Festival.
(Report by Councillor Konjarski)

RESOLVED: Councillor Konjarski and Councillor Elmir

- (a) That Council congratulate the Macedonian Cultural and Artistic Association Ilinden (MKUD Ilinden Sydney) on the successful delivery of their event, the Macedonian Festival at Hurstville Plaza on 4 December 2022, specifically its President, Mr Christopher Karafilovski as well as Emily and Isabel Naumoska.
- (b) That Council acknowledge the support provided by the Australian Macedonian Council of New South Wales, specifically from its President, Mr Joshua Sherman, for the delivery of

the 2022 Macedonian Festival.

- (c) That Council acknowledge the support provided by the Saint Petka Macedonian Orthodox Church, Rockdale, Sydney for the delivery of the 2022 Macedonian Festival.
- (d) That Council thank the Minister for Multiculturalism and the Minister for Seniors, The Hon, Mark Coure for the grant funding made available to MKUD Ilinden Sydney in support of the 2022 Macedonian Festival.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NM101-22 Tree Vandalism
(Report by Councillor Mort)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mort and Councillor Landsberry

That Council consider the installation of signs at the sites where it has been identified that instances of tree vandalism has occurred. The signs would include a request for members of the public to provide Council with further information, similar to those used by Sutherland, Randwick, and Waverley councils. that Council also investigate leaving trees, which have been subject of possible vandalism in situ, and converting them for use as wildlife habitat.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Councillor Smerdely returned to the meeting at 8.15pm.

NM102-22 Congratulations to Chinese community groups for the programs and activations delivered in Georges River area throughout 2022.
(Report by Councillor Liu)

RESOLVED: Councillor Liu and Councillor Wang

- (a) That Council congratulate the Chinese community groups involved in the delivery of a number of community programs and activations in the Georges River local government area (LGA) throughout 2022.
- (b) Further to the list of community groups listed within the Director's comments that Heroes Light Volleyball be added to the list.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

QWN043-22 Compliance - Get it Right Site Program
(Report by Councillor Mahoney)

Answer published in Council Meeting Agenda.

CONSIDERATION OF BUSINESS IN CLOSED SESSION

RESOLVED: Councillor Smerdely and Councillor Elmir

At this stage of the meeting being 8.30pm the Mayor, Councillor Katris advised that the meeting would move into a Committee of the Whole to allow consideration of a matter in Closed Session in accordance with Section 10A of the *Local Government Act 1993*. Accordingly, members of the press and public are excluded from the closed session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the closed session will be withheld.

This action was taken to allow discussion of the following item:

CCL064A-22 Management Agreements - Hurstville Golf Course and Hurstville Aquatic Leisure Centre

(Report by Manager Premium Facilities)

THAT in accordance with the provisions of Part 1 of Chapter 4 of the Local Government Act 1993, the matters dealt with in this report be considered in closed Council Meeting at which the press and public are excluded. In accordance with Section 10A(2) (c) it is considered the matter information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

THAT in accordance with Section 10D it is considered that if the matter were discussed in an open Council Meeting, it would on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it is information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

CCL065A-22 Olds Park Premium Sporting and Community Facility

(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

THAT in accordance with the provisions of Part 1 of Chapter 4 of the Local Government Act 1993, the matters dealt with in this report be considered in closed Council Meeting at which the press and public are excluded. In accordance with Section 10A(2) (c) it is considered the matter information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

THAT in accordance with Section 10D it is considered that if the matter were discussed in an open Council Meeting, it would on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

CCL066A-22 – MAYORAL MINUTE – Recruitment of General Manager

(Report by The Mayor Councillor Katris)

That in accordance with the provisions of Part 1 of Chapter 4 of the Local Government Act 1993, the matters dealt with in this report be considered in closed Council Meeting at which the press and public are excluded. In accordance with Section 10A(2)(a) it is considered the matter deals with personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors).

That in accordance with Section 10D it is considered that if the matter were discussed in an open Council Meeting, it would on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with personnel matters concerning particular

individuals.

The Mayor, Councillor Katris asked the Acting General Manager if any representations had been received from the public that the item should not be discussed in closed session.

The Acting General Manager replied that no representations had been received to the item in closed session.

The Mayor, Councillor Katris asked if there were any members of the public gallery who would like to speak on the reasons Council proposes to consider the items in Closed Session.

There were none.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: The meeting moved into closed confidential session at 8.35pm.

CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL RECOMMENDATIONS

CCL064A-22 Management Agreements - Hurstville Golf Course and Hurstville Aquatic Leisure Centre

(Report by Manager Premium Facilities)

Note: Councillor Jamieson disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in this item

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Elmir and Councillor Konjarski

- (a) That Council approve the 3-year option to extend the management agreement for Hurstville Golf Course (HGC) at the present annual fee with an annual increase in line with the National Consumer Price Index (CPI).
- (b) That Council note the probity advice received in relation to the Hurstville Aquatic Leisure Centre (HALC) Contract Variation.
- (c) That Council note the potential risk of service disruption and contractual disputes in the event contract renegotiations break down.
- (d) That Council authorise the General Manager to execute a Deed of Variation in relation to the option associated with the Hurstville Aquatic Leisure Centre (HALC) management agreement that includes:
 - i. An extension of the term from 3-years to 5-years, to execute a proposed payment plan and to offset the time lost from COVID-19 closures and roof replacement.
 - ii. A revised management fee structure as outlined within this report.
- (e) That Council note that all fees associated with the HALC management agreement are subject to an annual increase in line with CPI.
- (f) That Council approve the retrospective application of the above-mentioned HALC management agreement option terms and conditions from 1 July 2022.
- (g) That Council partially write-off debts at HALC and Hurstville Golf Course as contained in this report in recognition of extenuating circumstances and service disruption.

- (h) That Council approves a 5-year payment plan for the 2021/22 outstanding debt for the HALC.
- (i) That the General Manager liaise with legal representatives to prepare a deed in conjunction with the deed of variation that waives any rights of BlueFit to claim losses arising from the closure of the site associated with the roof closure at HALC.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Katris and Councillors Ambihaipahar, Borg, Elmir, Ficarra, Konjarski, Landsberry, Liu, Smerdely, Stratikopoulos, Symington and Wang.

Against the Motion: Councillors Jamieson, Mahoney and Mort.

On being PUT to the meeting. Voting on this item was twelve (12) votes FOR and three (3) votes AGAINST. The Motion was CARRIED.

CCL065A-22 Olds Park Premium Sporting and Community Facility
(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Elmir and Councillor Konjarski

- (a) That Council note the receipt of the successful Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2022/23 (Round 2) grant announcement for Olds Park Premium Sporting Facility Development.
- (b) That Council approve the Acting General Manager to commence negotiations and accept a funding agreement with the NSW Office of Sport.
- (c) That Council resolve to allocate expenditure of \$250,000 in the 2022/23 Budget in order to commence detailed designs for the Olds Park Premium Sporting and Community Facility.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: At 8.59pm, at the request of the Mayor, all staff were asked to leave the meeting, with the exception of the Chief People Officer - Sharni Watts, Senior Solicitor - James Fan, Acting Executive Manager Office of the General Manager - Vicki McKinley, Executive Services Officer - Marina Cavar (Minute taker), and Acting Head of Technology - Garuthman De Silva.

CCL066A-22 Recruitment of the General Manager
(The Mayor, Councillor Katris)

MOTION: The Mayor, Councillor Katris

That Council:

- (a) Note the process for the recruitment and selection of the new General Manager as outlined in this Mayoral Minute.
- (b) Delegates to the Mayor the task of ensuring:
- The selection panel is convened;

- The General Manager's position description is current and evaluated in terms of salary to reflect the responsibilities and duties of the position;
 - The proposed salary range reflects the responsibilities and duties of the position;
 - The position is advertised according to the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1993* (LG Act);
 - Information packages are prepared; and
 - Applicants selected for interview are notified.
- (c) Delegates to the Mayor to source and appoint an independent recruitment consultant, via Council's Procurement Policy and RFQ Process. The independent recruitment consultant will facilitate the recruitment of the General Manager and ensure the process is followed in accordance with the Office of Local Government (OLG) "*Guidelines for the Appointment and Oversight of General Managers 2022*" and the LG Act; and that the appointment of the General Manager is made using merit selection principles as required by Section 349 of the LG Act.
- (d) Appoint a selection panel comprising:
1. The Mayor, Nick Katris
 2. Deputy Mayor, Kathryn Landsberry
 3. Councillor, Elise Borg
 4. Councillor, Sam Elmir
 5. Councillor, Lou Konjarski
 6. Councillor, Colleen Symington
 7. Independent Recruitment consultant (as an independent advisory member of the panel)

The selection panel will determine a shortlist of up to three (3) candidates and make appropriate recommendations to Council.

AMENDMENT: Councillor Borg and Councillor Mort

That Council:

- (a) Note the process for the recruitment and selection of the new General Manager as outlined in this Mayoral Minute.
- (b) Delegates to the Mayor the task of ensuring:
- The selection panel is convened;
 - The General Manager's position description is current and evaluated in terms of salary to reflect the responsibilities and duties of the position;
 - The proposed salary range reflects the responsibilities and duties of the position;
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(d) Appoint a selection panel comprising:

1. The Mayor, Nick Katris
2. Deputy Mayor, Kathryn Landsberry
3. Councillor, Elise Borg
4. Councillor, Sam Elmir
5. Councillor, Lou Konjarski
6. Councillor, Colleen Symington
7. Councillor, Ben Wang
8. Independent Recruitment consultant (as an independent advisory member of the panel)

The selection panel will determine a shortlist of up to three (3) candidates and make appropriate recommendations to Council.

Record of Voting:

For the Amendment: Councillors Ambihaipahar, Borg, Ficarra, Jamieson, Landsberry, Mahoney, Mort, Symington and Wang.

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Katris and Councillors Elmir, Konjarski, Liu, Smerdely and Stratikopoulos.

On being put the voting on the Amendment was nine (9) votes FOR and six (6) votes AGAINST. The Amendment was CARRIED and became the RECOMMENDATION.

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Borg and Councillor Mort

That Council:

- (a) Note the process for the recruitment and selection of the new General Manager as outlined in this Mayoral Minute.
- (b) Delegates to the Mayor the task of ensuring:
 - The selection panel is convened;
 - The General Manager's position description is current and evaluated in terms of salary to reflect the responsibilities and duties of the position;
 - The proposed salary range reflects the responsibilities and duties of the position;
 - The position is advertised according to the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1993* (LG Act);
 - Information packages are prepared; and
 - Applicants selected for interview are notified.
- (c) Delegates to the Mayor to source and appoint an independent recruitment consultant, via Council's Procurement Policy and RFQ Process. The independent recruitment consultant will facilitate the recruitment of the General Manager and ensure the process is followed in accordance with the Office of Local Government (OLG) "*Guidelines for the Appointment and Oversight of General Managers 2022*" and the LG Act; and that the appointment of the General Manager is made using merit selection principles as required by Section 349 of the LG Act.
- (d) Appoint a selection panel comprising:
 1. The Mayor, Nick Katris
 2. Deputy Mayor, Kathryn Landsberry

3. Councillor, Elise Borg
4. Councillor, Sam Elmir
5. Councillor, Lou Konjarski
6. Councillor, Colleen Symington
7. Councillor, Ben Wang
8. Independent Recruitment consultant (as an independent advisory member of the panel)

The selection panel will determine a shortlist of up to three (3) candidates and make appropriate recommendations to Council.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

PROCEDURAL MOTION

OPEN COUNCIL

RESOLVED: Councillor Elmir and Councillor Stratikopoulos

That the meeting revert to Open Council

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Council returned to Open Session at 9.36pm.

CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION

RESOLVED: Councillor Elmir and Councillor Ficarra

That the recommendations of the Closed Session in relation to **CCL064A-22 Management Agreements - Hurstville Golf Course and Hurstville Aquatic Leisure Centre**, **CCL065A-22 Olds Park Premium Sporting and Community Facility** and **CCL066A-22 Recruitment of the General Manager** be received and noted as resolutions of Council without any alteration or amendment thereto.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 9.41pm



Chairperson

Mayor, Councillor Nick Katris

Minutes confirmed at the Ordinary Council meeting on 28 February 2023 (CCL001-23)