MINUTES

Finance and Governance Committee

Monday, 08 July 2024 6:00 PM

Waratah Room Georges River Civic Centre Hurstville



PRESENT

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councillor Christina Jamieson (Chairperson), Councillor Elise Borg, Councillor Veronica Ficarra, Councillor Nick Katris, Councillor Peter Mahoney and Councillor Colleen Symington.

COUNCIL STAFF

Director Business and Corporate Services - Danielle Parker, Chief Finance Officer – Scott Henwood, Head of Strategic Property - Bernard Morabito, Executive Manager City Futures – Simon Massey, Chief Audit Executive – Steven Baker, Executive Services Officer – Nickie Paraskevopoulos, EA to Director Business and Corporate Services – Ally Chand (Minutes), Chief Information Officer - Brendan Scott, Team Leader Procurement and Contracts Governance – Todd Payne (online) and Technology Business Support Officer – Earl Santos.

OPENING

The Chairperson, Councillor Jamieson, opened the meeting at 6.01pm.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chairperson, Councillor Jamieson 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.

REQUEST TO ATTEND VIA AUDIO VISUAL LINK

There were no requests to attend via Audio Visual Link.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

There were no apologies or requests for leave of absence.

NOTICE OF WEBCASTING

The Chairperson, Councillor Jamieson 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

There were no disclosures of interest made.

PUBLIC FORUM

There were no registered speakers.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

FIN026-24 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Finance and Governance Committee Meeting held on 11 June 2024 (Report by Executive Services Officer)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Ficarra. Councillor Katris

That the Minutes of the Finance and Governance Committee Meeting held on 11 June 2024, be confirmed.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Katris, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Symington

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FIN027-24 Investment Report as at 31 May 2024

(Report by Senior Financial Accountant - Reporting)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Mahoney, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg

That the Investment Report as at 31 May 2024 be received and noted by Council.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Katris, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Symington

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

FIN028-24 T24/002 Carss Park Café Lease

(Report by Senior Procurement and Contracts Business Partner)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Katris, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg

- (a) That in accordance with 178(1)(b) & 178(3)(e) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 Council declines to accept any of the tenders for T24/002 Carss Park Café Lease and resolve to enter into negotiations with one or more parties with a view to entering into a contract in relation to the subject matter of the tender.
- (b) That in accordance with 178(4) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, the reason for Council to decline all tenders is that none of the tenders achieved a satisfactory standard. By resolving to enter into negotiations with one or more parties it is anticipated that a satisfactory outcome will be achieved on demonstrated capacity and ability to provide services under a commercial lease arrangement with a competitive lease income paid to Council.
- (c) That Council authorise the General Manager to undertake negotiations and any other documentation required to give effect to the resolution.
- (d) That a further report be provided to Council at its November 2024 meeting detailing the outcome of the negotiation process and a recommendation to award.
- (e) That Council notify all Tenderers that Council declined to accept any of the Tenders.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Katris, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Symington

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 6.11pm

Chairperson