

MINUTES

Finance and Governance Committee

Monday, 09 February 2026

**Dragon Room
Georges River Civic Centre
Hurstville**

UNCONFIRMED



PRESENT**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

The Mayor, Councillor Elise Borg, Councillor Matthew Allison, Councillor Elaina Anzellotti, Councillor Gerard Hayes, Councillor Christina Jamieson, Councillor Kathryn Landsberry, Councillor Nancy Liu, Councillor Peter Mahoney, Councillor Natalie Mort, and Councillor Ben Wang.

COUNCIL STAFF

General Manager – David Tuxford, Director Assets and Infrastructure – Bryce Spelta, Director Environment and Planning – Joseph Hill, Director Community and Culture – Kristie Dodd, Director Business and Corporate Services – Danielle Parker, Chief Financial Officer – Scott Henwood, Head of Strategic Property – Bernie Morabito, Manager Office of the General Manager – Vicki McKinley, Executive Assistant to General Manager – Sue Matthew, Chief Audit Executive – Steven Baker, Executive Services Officer – Nickie Paras (Minutes), Head of Procurement and Contracts - Todd Payne, General Counsel – James Fan, Executive Manager City Futures – Kent Stroud, Head of Technology – Garuthman De Silva and Team Leader Technology Business Support – Mark Tadros, Technology Services Officer – Brendan Thorpe.

OPENING

The Chairperson, Councillor Jamieson, opened the meeting at 6:13pm.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

MOTION: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Liu

That an apology on behalf of Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Pun, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski and Councillor Gao be accepted and a Leave of Absence granted.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Allison, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

REQUEST TO ATTEND VIA AUDIO VISUAL LINK

There were no requests to attend via Audio Visual Link.

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.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

FIN001-26 **Confirmation of the Minutes of the Finance and Governance Committee Meeting held on 10 November 2025**
(Report by Manager Office of the General Manager)

RECOMMENDATION: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson

That the Minutes of the Finance and Governance Committee Meeting held on 10 November 2025, be confirmed.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Allison, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FIN002-26 **Investment Report as at 30 November 2025**
(Report by Senior Financial Accountant - Reporting)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Liu

That the Investment Report as at 30 November 2025 be received and noted by Council.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Allison, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

FIN003-26 **Investment Report as at 31 December 2025**
(Report by Senior Financial Accountant - Reporting)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Liu

That the Investment Report as at 31 December 2025 be received and noted by Council.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Allison, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

FIN004-26 Quarterly Budget Review Report for Period Ending 31 December 2025
(Report by Head of Financial Planning and Analysis)**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mahoney

- (a) That Council receives and notes the contents of this report in relation to the Quarterly Budget Review for the period ending 31 December 2025.
- (b) That Council adopt the proposed amendments to the 2025/26 Budget as outlined in attachment 1.
- (c) That Council note the supporting information outlined in attachment 3 and approve the write-off of debts totalling \$51,278, where all reasonable recovery actions have been undertaken and no further practical avenues for collection remain.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Allison, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

~~UNPUBLISHED~~
FIN005-26 Property Matter - Request for Owner's Consent - 6 Dora Street, Hurstville
(Report by Head of Strategic Property)**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Allison, Councillor Mahoney

That the General Manager be authorised to provide landowner's consent on behalf of Council to the proposed minor works at 6 Dora Street, Hurstville as generally detailed in this report.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Allison, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

~~UNPUBLISHED~~
FIN006-26 Councillor Induction and Professional Development Policy for Adoption
(Report by Manager Office of the General Manager)**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Liu, Councillor Allison

- (a) That Council note the one submission received during the public exhibition of the Draft Councillor Induction and Professional Development Policy.
- (b) That Council adopts the Draft Councillor Induction and Professional Development Policy (Attached).

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Allison, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

~~UNPUBLISHED~~
FIN007-26 Property Matter - Carss Park Cafe - Assignment of Lease
(Report by Senior Property Officer)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort

- (a) That Council consent to the assignment of the lease for Carss Park Kiosk from By the Bay Café Pty Ltd and Grill to Adrian and Marina Peronace.
- (b) That the General Manager be authorised to sign all lease documentation associated with the proposed assignment.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Allison, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

**PROCEDURAL MOTION
MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION**

At this stage of the meeting the time being 6:22pm the Chair advised that the meeting would move into a Confidential Closed Session to allow consideration of a matter(s) in Closed Session in accordance with Section 10A of The Local Government Act 1993.

This action was taken to allow discussion of the following item(s).

**FIN006A-26 Property Matter - Open Space Acquisition - 30 Culwulla Street South Hurstville
(Report by Senior Property Officer)**

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.

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.

The Chair asked the Director if any representations had been received from the public that the item should not be discussed in closed session.

The Director replied that no representations had been received to the item in closed session.

The Chair 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.

**PROCEDURAL MOTION
CLOSED CONFIDENTIAL SESSION****MOTION:** Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort

That in accordance with Section 10A Clause 2 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council enter into a Confidential Closed Session.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Allison, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

CLOSED CONFIDENTIAL SESSION
CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL RECOMMENDATIONS

FIN006A-26 Property Matter - Open Space Acquisition - 30 Culwulla Street South Hurstville
(Report by Senior Property Officer)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Liu, Councillor Allison

- (a) That Council purchase the property at 30 Culwulla Street, South Hurstville being Lot 27 in Deposited Plan 4607 on the terms outlined within this report.
- (b) That Council authorises the General Manager to execute the Contract for Sale, Transfer Document and all other associated documentation to complete the purchase of 30 Culwulla Street, South Hurstville (Lot 27 in Deposited Plan 4607).
- (c) That in accordance with Section 31 (2) of the Local Government Act 1993, the land be classified as Community Land following settlement.
- (d) That the Council endorse the proposed increase to budget as outlined in the report.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Allison, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

PROCEDURAL MOTION
OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Councillor Mort, The Mayor, Councillor Borg

That the meeting revert to Open Session the time being 6:32pm.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Allison, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

OPEN SESSION

CONFIRMATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Liu

That the recommendations from the Closed Session in relation to **FIN006A-26 Property Matter - Open Space Acquisition - 30 Culwulla Street South Hurstville** be received and noted as a resolution of Council without any alteration or amendment thereto.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Allison, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 6:33pm

Chairperson

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