

Corporate & Works Committee Minutes

Monday 1 September 2008

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Corporate & Works Committee Minutes

**Minutes of the Meeting held on
Monday 1 September 2008 at 6.00pm**

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Councillor Geoff Rundle, ex-officio
Councillors Andrew Petrie (Chair)
Anthony Boskovitz
John Comino
Claudia Cullen
Fiona Sinclair King
John Walker

Staff: G Clarke (Director – Corporate Services)
W Hatton (Director – Technical Services)
G James (General Manager)
D Johnston (Manager Finance)
K Walshe (Director – Community Services)
J Jansyn (Cultural Development Coordinator)
A Sheedy (Property Officer)
Z Marolia (Manager Property and Projects)

Also in Attendance: Councillor Shapiro Item R4
Councillor Excell Item R4

Leave of Absence

Leave of Absence previously granted by Council: Nil

Apologies:

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Marcus Ehrlich and Leave of Absence granted.

Late Correspondence

Late correspondence was submitted to the committee in relation to Items: R5

Declarations of Interest

Nil

Items Decided by this Committee using its Delegated Authority (Items D1 to D2)

Item No: D1 Delegated to Committee
Subject: **Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 18 August 2008**
Author: Les Windle, Manager – Governance
File No: See Council Minutes
Reason for Report: The Minutes of the Meeting of Monday 18 August 2008 were previously circulated. In accordance with the guidelines for Committees' operations it is now necessary that those Minutes be formally taken as read and confirmed.

(Cullen/Sinclair King)

Resolved:

That the Minutes of the Corporate and Works Committee Meeting of 18 August 2008 be taken as read and confirmed.

Item No: D2 Delegated to Committee
Subject: **Gurner Lane Footpath Widening**
Author: Lorna Oliver – Traffic & Transport Planner
File No: 211
Reason for Report: For the information of the Committee.

(Sinclair King/Comino)

Resolved:

That the information be noted.

**Items with Recommendations from this Committee
Submitted to the Council for Decision (Items R1 to R6)**

Item No: R1 Recommendation to Council
Subject: **279 Edgecliff Road, Woollahra – Road Reserve Encroachment**
Author: Anthony Sheedy, Property Officer
File No: 148.279
Reason for Report: To give consideration to the formalisation of an existing encroachment by granting of an easement to permit existing structure to remain on roadway adjoining the property.

Note: Ms Lea Bates addressed the Committee.

(Comino/Cullen)

Recommendation:

- A. That the building encroachment on Attunga Street, Woollahra from the adjoining property of 279 Edgecliff Road be formalised by granting of an Easement to Permit Existing Structure to Remain, to continue for the life of the building, or the redevelopment of the site, or the redevelopment of the structure, whichever occurs first.
- B. That compensation of \$13,000 (plus any applicable GST), and all Council's costs in this matter, be payable to Council by the owner of 279 Edgecliff Road, Woollahra in return for granting the Easement.

Item No: R2 Recommendation to Council
Subject: **June Quarter Budget Review - 2007/2008 Year End Result**
Author: Don Johnston, Manager Finance
File No: 331G 2007/2008
Reason for Report: To present the Committee with the final review of the 2007/2008 Budget and, in doing so, the final result for the 2007/2008 financial year

(Comino/Cullen)

Recommendation:

- A. That the June Quarter Budget Review and the 2007/2008 financial results be received and noted
- B. That \$1,000,000 from the improved working funds position be transferred to a new Reserve as a provision for potential investment losses and a further \$300,000 be transferred to the Computer Reserve to support the future implementation of technological advances
- C. That \$351,000 be transferred to General Reserve from the improved working funds position to fund the withdrawal of the superannuation 'holiday' and Cooper Park Tennis Courts Disabled Toilets as adopted in the 2008/2009 Budget

Item No: R3 Recommendation to Council
Subject: **General Purpose Financial Reports for the Year Ended 30 June 2008**
Author: Don Johnston, Manager Finance
File No: 331G 2007/2008
Reason for Report: To present the General Purpose Financial Reports for the year ended 30 June 2008 to the Committee and seek the adoption of Council's statement in relation to the Reports

(Walker/Boskovitz)

Recommendation:

- 1 That Council, having noted the statement by the General Manager and Responsible Accounting Officer, adopt the following statement in relation to its Financial Reports for the year ended 30 June 2008:

That, in relation to the Financial Reports for the Year Ended 30 June 2008, Council is of the opinion that:

The Financial Reports have been drawn up in accordance with:

- i. the Local Government Act 1993 (as amended) and Regulations made thereunder;
- ii. the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting and the Asset Accounting Manual; and
- iii. the Australian Accounting Standards and professional pronouncements

and to the best of our knowledge and belief these Reports:

present fairly Council's financial position and operating result for the year; and

accord with Council's accounting and other records;

and further, the signatories to the Reports, to the best of our knowledge and belief, know of nothing that would make the reports false or misleading in any way;

- 2 That Council formally refer the 2007/2008 Financial Reports for audit; and
 - 3 In anticipation of receiving the Auditor's Reports, set the Corporate & Works Committee meeting to be held on 20 October 2008 as the meeting at which the Financial Reports will be presented to the public.
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Item No: R4 Recommendation to Council
Subject: **Double Bay Public Art Project**
Author: Jo Jansyn – Cultural Development Coordinator
Trent Scrivener – Project Engineer - Streetscapes
File No: 1160 G Public Art (Double Bay)
Reason for Report: To recommend to Council a final concept for the Double Bay Public Art Project

(Sinclair King/Walker)

Recommendation:

- A. That further information be provided to the Council meeting of 8 September 2008 on the justification as to the merits of the choice of the artist and the artist's work and that subject to this being satisfactory the Committee recommends B. and C. below.
- B. That Council enter the commissioning stage of the Double Bay Public Art Project (subject to any Development Application considerations) with artist Bronwyn Berman, with the objective to create and install an eastern gateway artwork by early 2009.
- C. That short-listed artists/teams be advised of the assessment of short-listed concepts.

Item No: R5 Recommendation to Council
Subject: **Supply & Installation of Multi-Function Poles on New South Head Road, Double Bay**
Author: Mark Ramsay – Manager Depot & Waste Services
File No: Tender No 08/12
Reason for Report: To recommend to Council the acceptance of a Tender

Note: Late correspondence was tabled at the meeting from Mr Trent Scrivener Council's Project Engineer

(Sinclair King/Walker)

Recommendation:

- A. That Council enter into a contract with Power Serve for the lump sum price of \$1,311,364.00 to deliver the Double Bay multi-function pole scheme along New South Head Road
- B. That the successful and unsuccessful tenderers be advised accordingly.

Item No: R6 Recommendation to Council
Subject: **Progress Report – Kiaora Lands Development**
Author: Gary James – General Manager
File No: 1209.G Part 2
Reason for Report: To provide a progress report on commercial negotiations with Woolworths in relation to Kiaora Lands Development proposal.

(Sinclair King/Cullen)

That the Committee move into Closed Session in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act to consider the confidential annexures.

Adopted

In Closed Session

The Committee considered the confidential annexures.

(Rundle/Cullen)

That the Committee move back into open session.

Adopted

In Open Session

(Sinclair King/Comino)

Recommendation:

- A. That the Briefing Report be noted and resubmitted to the Council following the September 2008 Elections.
- B. That in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act the confidential annexures remain confidential.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 7.20pm.

We certify that the pages numbered 2863 to 2870 inclusive are the Minutes of the Corporate & Works Committee Meeting held on 1 September 2008 and confirmed by the Corporate & Works Committee on 7 October 2008 as correct.

Chairperson

Secretary of Committee