



WENTWORTH SHIRE COUNCIL

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING MINUTES

26 MAY 2021

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1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor opened the meeting with a prayer at 10:00AM

2 PRAYER AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

PRESENT:

COUNCILLORS: Councillor Susan Nichols (Mayor)
Councillor Tim Elstone (Deputy Mayor)
Councillor Greg Evans
Councillor Steve Heywood
Councillor Jane MacAllister
Councillor Bill Wheeldon OAM

STAFF: Ken Ross (General Manager)
Matthew Carlin (Director Health and Planning)
Geoff Gunn (Director Roads and Engineering)
Simon Rule (Director Finance and Policy)
Gayle Marsden (Executive Assistant General Manager)
Chloe Horne (Business Support Officer)

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Council Resolution

That Council notes the apology from Councillor Don McKinnon.

Moved Cr. Wheeldon, Seconded Cr. Evans

CARRIED

4 DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

5 REPORTS TO COUNCIL

5.1 WILLOWBEND CARAVAN PARK WORKS

File Number: RPT/21/305

Responsible Officer: Ken Ross - General Manager
Responsible Division: Office of the General Manager
Reporting Officer: Chloe Horne - Business Support Officer

Objective: 1.0 Wentworth is a vibrant, growing and thriving Shire
Strategy: 1.2 Encourage and support population growth and resident attraction

Summary

At the Ordinary Council Meeting of 12 May 2021, it was resolved that Council schedule an Extraordinary Council Meeting to discuss the works at Willowbend Caravan Park after reviewing Engineering Cost Estimates for Stage 1 and Stage 2 works from MH2 Engineering & Architectural Services.

Recommendation

That Council adjourns into Closed Session, the recording of the meeting be suspended, and members of the press and public be excluded from the Closed Session, and that access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Session be withheld unless declassified by separate resolution.

This action is taken in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993 as the items listed come within the following provisions:-

5.1 Willowbend Caravan Park Works

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under the provisions of Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to (a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

Council Resolution

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Moved Cr. Wheeldon, Seconded Cr. Elstone

CARRIED

Council moved into closed session at 10:04am

Council reconvened into open session at 11:18am

Open Council - Report from Closed Council

The General Manager advised that Council resolved to close Willowbend Caravan Park during Stage 1 and Stage 2 works and procure through an open tender process the redevelopment work with commencement of works being 1 February 2022 subject to confirmation of the extension of the Crown Land Grant.

5.2 PROJECT UPDATES

File Number: RPT/21/307

Responsible Officer: Ken Ross - General Manager
Responsible Division: Office of the General Manager
Reporting Officer: Chloe Horne - Business Support Officer

Objective: 1.0 Wentworth is a vibrant, growing and thriving Shire
Strategy: 1.1 Grow the potential for business and industry to develop and expand

Summary

At the Ordinary Council Meeting of 12 May 2021, it was resolved that Council schedule an Extraordinary Council Meeting to receive project updates as an additional item to the works at Willowbend Caravan Park.

Council nominated to receive an update on the following three projects:

- Wentworth Bowling Club Bowling Green;
- Murray Street; and
- Wentworth Long Day Care.

Council staff will provide a verbal update to Council with a written report to be included within the Minutes of this meeting.

Recommendation

That Council note the verbal project updates provided.

Council Resolution

That Council note the verbal project updates provided.

Moved Cr. MacAllister, Seconded Cr. Evans

CARRIED

Recommendation

That Council adjourns into Closed Session, the recording of the meeting be suspended, and members of the press and public be excluded from the Closed Session, and that access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Session be withheld unless declassified by separate resolution.

This action is taken in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993 as the items listed come within the following provisions:-

5.2 Project Updates

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Council Resolution

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Moved Cr. Wheeldon, Seconded Cr. Elstone

CARRIED

Council moved into closed session at 11:20am

Council reconvened into open session at 12:15pm

Open Council - Report from Closed Council

The General Manager advised that Council resolved to

- a) Go to tender to procure services to complete the Wentworth Bowling Club Bowling Green as soon as possible.
- b) That the internal Grant Support fund be increased to \$1.2M for the 2021/22 budget financial year.

Council noted verbal reports relating to the Murray Street development and the Wentworth Preschool Long Day Care Centre.

6 CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

Meeting closed at 12:17 pm

NEXT MEETING

30 June 2021

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CHAIR