



**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBERS, GRIFFITH ON 22 APRIL 2014 COMMENCING AT 7.00 PM**

PRESENT

The Mayor, John Dal Broi in the Chair; Councillors, Alison Balind, Pat Cox, Simon Croce, Doug Curran, Bill Lancaster, Anne Napoli, Mike Neville, Paul Rossetto, Christine Stead, Leon Thorpe and Dino Zappacosta.

STAFF PRESENT

General Manager, Brett Stonestreet; Director Infrastructure and Operations, Dallas Bibby; Director Sustainable Development, Neil Southorn; Director Business, Cultural & Financial Services, Max Turner; Manager Executive Services, Shireen Donaldson and Minute Secretary, Leanne Austin.

MEDIA

Jack Morphet, The Area News; Dolf Murwood, 2MIA FM

The Meeting opened with Councillor Croce reading the Council prayer and the Acknowledgment of Country.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD 8 APRIL 2014**

0124

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Stead and Thorpe that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, Griffith on 8 April 2014, having first been circulated amongst all members of Council, be confirmed.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD
8 APRIL 2014**

CL03 - Review of Services Griffith City Council

Councillor Dal Broi advised that the terminology "The Motion was Put and Won" was incorrect and the correct terminology should be "the Motion was Put and Carried".

Question Time - Councillor Thorpe in Relation to a Visit to Montana del Grappa

Councillor Thorpe advised that an advertisement seeking public interest had been placed in the Area News and this will be followed up with a media release.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

The following Councillors declared non-pecuniary interests in the following clauses:

Councillor Alison Balind

CL02 - DA16/2014 - Partial Demolition and Refurbishment of an Existing Building, Erection of a New Coolroom/Freezer and Part use for Wholesale Food Distribution, Shop and Refreshment Room

Reason - Councillor Balind has received correspondence from the applicants in relation to the matter.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Alison Balind

Minutes of the Griffith Community Private Hospital Management Committee meeting held 25 March 2014

Reason - Councillor Balind is employed by an organisation that will be a tenant in the new facility.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Alison Balind

Minutes of the Traffic Committee meeting held on 8 April 2014

Reason - Councillor Balind is a member of the St Patrick's Primary School Council.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Alison Balind

Minutes of the Traffic Committee meeting held on 8 April 2014

Reason - Councillor Balind's husband is employed as Road Safety Officer at Griffith City Council.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Alison Balind

Minutes of the Transport Management Committee meeting held 7 April 2014

Reason - Councillor Balind's husband is employed as the Road Safety Officer at Griffith City Council.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Pat Cox

CL02- DA16/2014 - Partial Demolition and Refurbishment of an Existing Building, Erection of a New Coolroom/Freezer and Part use for Wholesale Food Distribution, Shop and Refreshment Room

Reason - Councillor Cox has been approached by the applicant and objector.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Simon Croce

CL02 - DA16/2014 - Partial Demolition and Refurbishment of an Existing Building,

Erection of a New Coolroom/Freezer and Part use for Wholesale Food Distribution, Shop and Refreshment Room

Reason - Councillor Croce has spoken to both objector and applicant. There is no apparent pecuniary interest.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Doug Curran

CL02 - DA16/2014 - Partial Demolition and Refurbishment of an Existing Building, Erection of a New Coolroom/Freezer and Part use for Wholesale Food Distribution, Shop and Refreshment Room

Reason - Councillor Curran has met with objectors and spoken to the applicant and his representative. Discussions all pertained to information that in were general in nature.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor John Dal Broi

CL02 - DA16/2014 - Partial Demolition and Refurbishment of an Existing Building, Erection of a New Coolroom/Freezer and Part use for Wholesale Food Distribution, Shop and Refreshment Room

Reason - Councillor Dal Broi has spoken with the applicant and an objector.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Anne Napoli

CL02 - DA16/2014 - Partial Demolition and Refurbishment of an Existing Building, Erection of a New Coolroom/Freezer and Part use for Wholesale Food Distribution, Shop and Refreshment Room

Reason - Councillor Napoli was lobbied by the applicant and also one of the objectors.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Anne Napoli

CL04 - Community Donations Scheme

Reason - Councillor Napoli has some involvement with two of the (applicants) organisations mentioned in the report.

Make a declaration, do not participate and leave the Chamber upon making the declaration. Do not return until the matter is resolved.

Councillor Anne Napoli

CL06 - 2013/14 Community Satisfaction Survey

Reason - Councillor Napoli has two family members that work in those departments mentioned in the survey.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Anne Napoli

Minutes of the Cultural Facilities Management Committee

Reason - A member of Councillor Napoli's family is employed at GRALC.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Mike Neville

CL02 - DA16/2014 - Partial Demolition and Refurbishment of an Existing Building, Erection of a New Coolroom/Freezer and Part use for Wholesale Food Distribution, Shop and Refreshment Room

Reason - Councillor Neville has been approached by the applicant and an objector in

relation to aspects of the report before Council.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Mike Neville

CL03 - Licence Agreement for Road Reserve Adjoining Lot 1 DP1067528 -

International Backpackers Hostel with Michael and Teresa Farronato

Reason - Councillor Neville has spoken to one of the land owners mentioned in the report about the impact of the amended clause before Council.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Paul Rossetto

CL02- DA16/2014 - Partial Demolition and Refurbishment of an Existing Building, Erection of a New Coolroom/Freezer and Part use for Wholesale Food Distribution, Shop and Refreshment Room

Reason - Councillor Rossetto has spoken with both parties.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Christine Stead

CL02 - DA16/2014 - Partial Demolition and Refurbishment of an Existing Building, Erection of a New Coolroom/Freezer and Part use for Wholesale Food Distribution, Shop and Refreshment Room

Reason - Councillor Stead has spoken to the applicant and also had a visit from one of the objectors.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Leon Thorpe

CL02 - DA16/2014 - Partial Demolition and Refurbishment of an Existing Building, Erection of a New Coolroom/Freezer and Part use for Wholesale Food Distribution, Shop and Refreshment Room

Reason - Various interested parties have spoken to Councillor Thorpe regarding the subject DA. Also, By invitation, Councillor Thorpe has visited the subject site.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Dino Zappacosta

CL02 - DA16/2014 - Partial Demolition and Refurbishment of an Existing Building, Erection of a New Coolroom/Freezer and Part use for Wholesale Food Distribution, Shop and Refreshment Room

Reason - Councillor Zappacosta operates a similar retail business and has spoken to the objector and applicant.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

Councillor Dino Zappacosta

Minutes of the Traffic Committee meeting held 8 April 2014 - CL07

Reason - Councillor Zappacosta owns a winery.

Make a declaration, stay in the Chamber, participate in the debate and vote.

PECUNIARY INTERESTS

There were no pecuniary interest declarations received.

MAYORAL MINUTES

MM01 ENDORSEMENT OF NEW MEMBER TO INTERNAL AUDIT COMMITTEE

(MES)

0125

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Thorpe and Stead that Council endorse Mr Stuart Heffer as a member of the Internal Audit Committee.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

CL01 DA49/2014 - CONSTRUCTION OF A DOMESTIC SHED

F. 49/2014 (LPC)

0126

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Neville and Stead that:

(a) Council pursuant to the provisions of Section 80(1)(a) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, grant consent to Development Application 49/2014 for the construction of a shed at Lot 27 DP 1125507 (1 Hall Crescent, Yoogali) subject to conditions including those set out in Attachment 'D'; and

(b) The development application be referred to the Director of Sustainable Development to prepare and issue the Notice of Determination.

In accordance with the Local Government Act (Section 375A - Recording of voting on planning matters) Council must record the Councillor's vote in relation to this matter.

Councillor	For	Against
Cr Dal Broi	x	
Cr Napoli	x	
Cr Lancaster	x	
Cr Thorpe	x	
Cr Balind	x	
Cr Zappacosta	x	
Cr Neville	x	
Cr Croce	x	
Cr Curran	x	
Cr Cox	x	
Cr Rossetto	x	
Cr Stead	x	

CL02 DA 16/2014 - PARTIAL DEMOLITION AND REFURBISHMENT OF AN EXISTING BUILDING, ERECTION OF A NEW COOLROOM/FREEZER, AND PART USE FOR WHOLESALE FOOD DISTRIBUTION, SHOP AND REFRESHMENT ROOM

F. DA 16/2014 (SDAP)

Councillor Thorpe **MOVED** that the report **LAY ON THE TABLE**.

The **MOTION** was **PUT** and **CARRIED**.

0127

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Thorpe that the report **LAY ON THE TABLE**.

In accordance with the Local Government Act (section 375A - Recording of voting on planning matters) Council must record the Councillor's vote in relation to this matter.

Councillor	For	Against
Cr Dal Broi	x	
Cr Napoli	x	
Cr Lancaster	x	
Cr Thorpe	x	
Cr Balind	x	
Cr Zappacosta	x	
Cr Neville	x	
Cr Croce	x	
Cr Curran		x
Cr Cox	x	
Cr Rossetto	x	
Cr Stead	x	

**CL03 LICENCE AGREEMENT FOR ROAD RESERVE ADJOINING LOT 1
DP1067528 - INTERNATIONAL BACKPACKERS HOSTEL - WITH MICHAEL AND
TERESA FARRONATO**

(CPO)

0128

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Thorpe and Zappacosta that:

- (a) Council rescind Minute Number 0036 from the Ordinary Meeting of Council held 11 February 2014.
- (b) Council enter into a licence agreement with Michael and Teresa Farronato for 13 car parking spaces located on the road reserves in Koorungal Avenue and Wakaden Street, Griffith (6 spaces on Koorungal Avenue and 7 on Wakaden Street).
- (c) The term of the licence agreement be ten years (1 March 2014 - 29 February 2024) with one further option of ten years (1 March 2024 - 28 February 2034).
- (d) Michael and Teresa Farronato be required to pay all applicable costs and charges associated with the preparation of the licence agreement together with Council's Administration Fee of \$359.
- (e) Annual licence fees be charged as per Council's adopted Revenue Policy, currently \$47 per car space (2013/2014) plus rates and charges.
- (f) Council authorise the Mayor and General Manager to execute all documents relating to the licence agreement on behalf of Council under the common seal.

Councillor Napoli left the Chamber the time being 7:19 pm.

CL04 COMMUNITY DONATIONS SCHEME 2013/14 (ROUND 2)

(CCDO)

0129

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Thorpe and Balind that:

(a) Council fund the second round of applications according to the table attached to the report (Attachment A) through the Community Donations Scheme budget.

(b) Successful applicants will be informed by letter and a cheque made available for collection from Council.

**CL05 INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING FRAMEWORK (IPRF) -
ENDORSEMENT OF THE DRAFT DELIVERY PROGRAM 2013/14 - 2016/17
INCORPORATING THE OPERATIONAL PLAN (BUDGET) FOR THE 2014/15
FINANCIAL YEAR**

(MES)

Councillor Napoli returned to the Chamber the time being 7:21 pm.

0130

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Curran and Balind that:

(a) Council endorse the draft Delivery Program 2013/14 - 2016/17 incorporating the Operational Plan (Budget) 2014/15 and draft Ten Year Long Term Financial Plan 2014/15 to 2023/24.

(b) Council place the draft Delivery Program 2013/14 - 2016/17 incorporating the Operational Plan (Budget) 2014/15 and draft Ten Year Long Term Financial Plan 2014/15 to 2023/24 on public display for 28 days during which time a community consultation process will be implemented including community information session and budget workshop.

(c) Following the public exhibition period, the draft Delivery Program 2013/14 - 2016/17 incorporating the Operational Plan (Budget) 2014/15 and draft Ten Year Long Term Financial Plan 2014/15 to 2023/24 be presented to Council for adoption by 30 June 2014.

CL06 2013/14 COMMUNITY SATISFACTION SURVEY

(MES)

0131

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Thorpe and Cox that Council adopt the results of the 2013/14 Community Satisfaction Survey.

CL07 COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

(MES)

0132

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Thorpe and Napoli that:

(a) Council adopt the following as Committees of Council:

Business, Development and Major Projects Committee
Internal Audit Committee
Utilities Committee

Tourism and Events Committee
 Pioneer Park Committee
 Griffith Community Private Hospital Committee
 General Facilities Committee
 Festival of Gardens Committee
 Environment and Sustainability Committee
 Cultural Facilities Committee
 Communities Committee
 Transport Committee
 General Managers Review Committee
 Floodplain Management Committee
 Local Emergency Management Committee

(b) Council adopt the attached revised Terms of Reference for the above named Committees.

Councillor Cox requested that the Terms of Reference for the General Facilities Management Committee be amended to allow an additional community member representing the Pound. Ms Donaldson advised that this will be addressed at the next meeting of the General Facilities Committee. Councillor Cox also advised that the Communities Committee membership requires review to allow more alternate members to be added to the Terms of Reference to ensure appropriate representation of the indigenous community.

CL08 NSW PUBLIC LIBRARY FUNDING CAMPAIGN

(LM1)

0133

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Napoli and Thorpe that Council support the campaign mounted by the NSW Public Library Associations for increased State funding to local government for public libraries by:

- (i) Making representation to the local State Member in relation to the need for additional funding from the NSW State Government for the provision of public library services;
- (ii) Writing to the Hon. Troy Grant, Minister for the Arts, calling upon the Government to implement the Reforming Public Library Funding submission of the Library Council of NSW (2012) for the reform of the funding system for NSW public libraries;
- (iii) Approving the distribution of NSW Public Library Associations campaign information and petition in Griffith City Library.
- (iv) Making suitable representation to RAMROC, Local Government New South Wales and the Country Mayors Association in relation to them urgently approaching the NSW State Government and the Commonwealth Government concerning the immediate need for additional funding for public libraries.

MINUTES FROM COMMITTEES

MINUTES OF THE CULTURAL FACILITIES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 24 MARCH 2014

0134

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Neville and Curran that the minutes of the

Cultural Facilities Management Committee meeting held on 24 March 2014, having first been circulated amongst members, be adopted.

MINUTES OF THE GRIFFITH COMMUNITY PRIVATE HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 25 MARCH 2014

0135

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Napoli and Neville that the minutes of the Griffith Community Private Hospital Management Committee meeting held on 25 March 2014, having first been circulated amongst members, be adopted.

MINUTES OF THE PIONEER PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 25 MARCH 2014

0136

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Rossetto and Cox that the minutes of the Pioneer Park Management Committee meeting held on 25 March 2014, having first been circulated amongst members, be adopted.

MINUTES OF THE FESTIVAL OF GARDENS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 3 APRIL 2014

0137

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Cox and Curran that the minutes of the Festival of Gardens Management Committee meeting held on 3 April 2014, having first been circulated amongst members, be adopted.

MINUTES OF THE UTILITIES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 3 APRIL 2014

0138

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Zappacosta and Rossetto that the minutes of the Utilities Management Committee meeting held on 3 April 2014, having first been circulated amongst members, be adopted.

MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 7 APRIL 2014

0139

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Zappacosta and Thorpe that the minutes of the Transport Management Committee meeting held on 7 April 2014, having first been circulated amongst members, be adopted with the Access Committee referred to in CL07 to be formed as an Advisory Committee.

MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 8 APRIL 2014

0140

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Curran and Croce that the minutes of the

Traffic Committee meeting held on 8 April 2014, having first been circulated amongst members, be adopted.

QUESTION TIME

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No questions were received from the public.

COUNCILLOR QUESTION TIME

The following question was raised by Councillor Thorpe:

"With an apparently significant number of pavers not staying in place in Banna Avenue are we looking at future paving to be laid concrete (with perhaps a print)?"

Mr Bibby advised that staff undertake maintenance on a three monthly basis however there are currently no plans to replace the pavers with concrete or other materials.

OUTSTANDING ACTION REPORT

0141

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Neville and Thorpe that the Outstanding Action report be noted.

Dalton Park - General Rates and Fees for Clubs

Councillor Cox enquired when a report was expected to be presented to Council. Mr Stonestreet advised this will be included as part of the March quarterly review report to Council.

Notice of Motion Cooper Road

Councillor Rossetto enquired if funds were available for further works on Cooper Road. Mr Turner advised that Cooper Road has not been included in this year's budget however it will be considered as part of next year's budget deliberations.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 7.55 pm.

Confirmed:
CHAIRPERSON

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