

**Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting held remotely and livestreamed on Council's website on 20 July 2021**

**Meeting commenced at 6.32pm**

**Present:**

Darcy Byrne	Mayor
Victor Macri	Deputy Mayor (6:42pm)
Marghanita Da Cruz	Councillor
Mark Drury	Councillor
Lucille McKenna OAM	Councillor
Colin Hesse	Councillor (6:35pm)
Sam Iskandar	Councillor (6:35pm)
Tom Kiat	Councillor
Pauline Lockie	Councillor
Julie Passas	Councillor
Rochelle Porteous	Councillor
Vittoria Raciti	Councillor
John Stamolis	Councillor
Louise Steer	Councillor
Anna York	Councillor (6:35pm)
Peter Gainsford	General Manager
Simon Duck	Acting Director Development and Recreation
Cathy Edwards-Davis	Director Infrastructure
Caroline McLeod	Acting Director City Living
Peter Livanes	Acting Director Corporate
Harjeet Atwal	Senior Manager Planning
Aaron Callaghan	Parks and Recreation Planning Manager
Katherine Paixao	Acting Manager Governance
Carmelina Giannini	Acting Governance Coordinator

**APOLOGIES:** Nil

**DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:** Nil

Councillors Hesse, Iskandar and York entered at 6.35pm.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Motion: (Lockie/Kiat)**

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 29 June 2021, Extraordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 29 June 2021 and Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 6 July 2021 be confirmed as a correct record subject to the following amendment:

- 6 July 2021 – Record Councillor Lockie as absent in the motion of dissent vote in item 7 Notice of Motion: Mayor to Stand Down to absent as she not in attendance.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, McKenna OAM, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York

**Against Motion:** Nil

**PUBLIC FORUM**

The registered speakers were asked to address the meeting. The list of speakers is available on the last page of these minutes.

Councillor Macri entered the meeting at 6.42pm

Councillor Passas left the Meeting at 7:30 pm.  
Councillor Iskandar left the Meeting at 7:30 pm.

**C0721(2) Item 11      Mayoral Minute: Council's Covid Actions for the Community****Motion: (Byrne)****THAT Council:**

- 1. Expresses thanks to the residents of the Inner West, the officers of Inner West Council and all of the frontline workers who have dedicated themselves to saving lives and protecting public health during this latest COVID-19 lockdown;**
- 2. Thanks NSW Health, the NSW Police and other emergency services for their collaboration in responding to the crisis;**
- 3. Thanks the local NGOs and charities working to provide outreach services to vulnerable citizens, and resolves that Council officers contact the NGOs to find out how it can support them in their efforts to address food security and outreach services;**
- 4. Extends the availability of the Summer Hill Depot as a COVID-19 testing centre until the end of September 2021;**
- 5. Notes the successful City of Ryde financial assistance package for ratepayers implemented during last year's lockdown and tables a report to the next Council meeting identifying options for providing financial assistance, up to \$400, to ratepayers who have lost income to assist in ameliorating the financial impacts from the present lockdown. This should include advice from the Office of Local Government on how financial assistance can be provided to ratepayers;**
- 6. Writes to the relevant Federal and State Ministers to urgently request that all of Council's frontline workers are prioritised to receive vaccinations;**
- 7. Ensures that tenants of Council properties will not be evicted during this lockdown, and that affected businesses receive a deferral of rental payments in accordance with Council's previously adopted policy;**
- 8. Notes this existing policies and measures Council is implementing to assist residents and businesses including:**
  - a) Sporting clubs are not to be charged fees for sporting fields and facilities that are closed and unable to be used during this COVID-19 crisis;**
  - b) Sporting fields, tennis and basketball courts (other than Henson Park and Tempe Reserve) are being illuminated until 9pm for the duration of the lockdown to allow more opportunity for safe exercise;**

- c) Council rangers have been directed to prioritise safety not issuing fines in residential streets. Rangers are also monitoring main streets to ensure there is adequate parking for residents to access essential services; and
  - d) Council’s social media channels are available, upon request, to not-for-profit community organisations and local service providers to promote resources, services, donations and volunteerism in response to the crisis.
9. Write to the Prime Minister urging him to immediately lift the rate of the Jobseeker Allowance and Student Allowance to \$600.00 per week so that people in receipt of Jobseeker Allowance and Student Allowance, many of whom work casually, do not lose income during the current round of restrictions that seek to manage Covid-19;
  10. Further seek the Prime Minister’s urgent support for the voice of local government around Australia to be part of National Cabinet through the participation of the President of the Australian Local Government Association;
  11. Receive a report back regarding United Services Union that includes the adequacy of the support offered by Council to its casual aquatic centre workers, with any proposals by the union to be reported to Councillors for consideration.
  12. Receive a report back at the next Council meeting on turn off all parking meters during the lockdown period.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Absent:** Crs Iskandar and Passas

Councillor Passas returned to the Meeting at 7:35 pm.

Councillor Iskandar returned to the Meeting at 7:41 pm.

**C0721(2) Item 10      Mayoral Minute: Infrastructure Contributions Reforms**

**Motion: (Byrne)**

**THAT Council:**

1. Endorses Council’s submission to the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act Amendment (Infrastructure Contributions) Bill 2021, and;
2. Notes the concerns raised by Council officers in the submission.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York

**Against Motion:** Nil

Councillor Kiat left the Meeting at 7:50 pm.

**C0721(2) Item 1      Adoption of Inner West Council Gender Equity Strategy and Action Plan****Motion: (Lockie/Steer)****THAT Council:**

- 1. Adopt the Gender Equity Strategy 2021-2025; and**
- 2. Adopt the Gender Equity Action Plan for implementation.**

**Motion Carried****For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York**Against Motion:** Nil**Absent:** Cr Kiat**Amendment (Da Cruz/Passas)**

**THAT a report be brought back to Council in October of metrics by gender to be reported in the annual report such as Use of sports grounds and other facilities; Employment in Council by Salary Bracket or a job level or classification; and Community employment - possibly gender breakdown of business owner by survey or possibly from ABN register.**

**Motion Lost****For Motion:** Crs Da Cruz, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis and Steer**Against Motion:** Crs Byrne, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM and York**Absent:** Cr Kiat**C0721(2) Item 2      Live music and entertainment conditions****Motion: (Byrne/Hesse)**

**THAT Council defer this matter to be considered when the Enmore Road precinct matter is brought back to Council.**

**Motion Carried****For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York**Against Motion:** Nil**Absent:** Cr Kiat

Councillor Kiat returned to the Meeting at 8:10 pm.

**C0721(2) Item 3 Identifying a Vietnamese Precinct**

**Motion: (Iskandar/Byrne)**

**THAT Council:**

1. **Receives and notes the Engagement Outcomes Report;**
2. **Notes that the majority of respondents agreed to name the proposed precinct “Little Vietnam” and that the precinct be located in Marrickville;**
3. **Submits the following to the Geographic Names Board for adoption:**
  - a) **Name: Little Vietnam;**
  - b) **Geographic Precinct: between corner Marrickville Road and Illawarra Road and Illawarra Road and Warren Road;**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamilis, Steer and York

**Against Motion:** Nil

**C0721(2) Item 4 Henson Park Plan of Management**

**Motion: (Macri/Drury)**

**THAT Council:**

1. **Adopt the Henson Park Plan of Management (POM) as attached in Attachment 1, Appendix A, B,C,D and E and:**
  - a) **That in relation to the fencing and path between Amy St park and Centennial St Council notes that the fencing and entry is to be replaced and upgraded and that supporting documents should be amended to reflect this.**
  - b) **That Council notes the intention to retain and renovate the scoreboard, amenities and office space in the eastern Hill building and that where an inconsistency appears in supporting documents it should be amended.**
  - c) **In relation to women’s participation notes that both the AFL and Newtown Jets wish to provide opportunities for women to be involved and participate in their sports at the highest level.**
  - d) **Notes the support for tree planting throughout the sportsground and notes that the plans are indicative of proposed plantings and the need to consult with the AFL, Newtown Jets and adjoining residents on any proposed planting.**
2. **Note the ongoing support and sporting pathways which are being invested in and advocated for the growth and development of girls and women’s sport at Henson Park.**
3. **Notes that the POM and Master Plan maintain and enhance public use of and access to Henson Park sportsground.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Drury, Iskandar, Macri, McKenna OAM, Raciti, Stamolis and York

**Against Motion:** Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Lockie, Passas, Porteous and Steer

**Foreshadowed Motion (Hesse/Passas)**

**THAT the Henson Park Plan of Management (POM) be deferred until more effective community consultation on the PoM, including letter box drops to all residents within a 1km radius of Henson Park, and that Councillors receive a briefing prior to the PoM being further considered by Councillors.**

This foreshadowed motion lapsed.

Councillor Byrne retired from the Meeting at 8:53 pm and the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Macri assumed the chair.

**C0721(2) Item 5          Review of Inner West Council Complaints Handling and Draft Complaints Handling Policy**

**Motion: (Da Cruz/McKenna OAM)**

**THAT Council:**

- 1. Endorse the draft Policy shown as Attachment 1 to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days; and**
- 2. Consider the results of the public exhibition process when adopting a final policy.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, McKenna OAM, Porteous, Steer and York

**Against Motion:** Crs Macri, Passas, Raciti and Stamolis

**Absent:** Cr Byrne

**Foreshadowed Motion (Stamolis/Passas)**

**THAT Council defer this item to the new term of Council.**

This foreshadowed motion lapsed.

**C0721(2) Item 6      Camperdown Memorial Rest Park - Update on Public Toilet Design and Construction**

**Motion: (Steer/Macri)**

**THAT Council:**

1. **Note the updates on the design and delivery of public toilets for Camperdown Memorial Rest Park;**
2. **Notes that construction has been delayed since Councils original motion approving it on 11 December 2018; and**
3. **Notes the commitment of Council to construct the public toilets in Camperdown Memorial Rest Park in financial year ending 30 June 2022.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Absent:** Cr Byrne

**C0721(2) Item 7      Local Traffic Committee Meeting - June 2021**

**Motion: (Macri/Da Cruz)**

**THAT the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meetings held on 21 June 2021 be received and the recommendations be adopted.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Absent:** Cr Byrne

**C0721(2) Item 8      Investment Report as at 30 June 2021.**

**Motion: (Stamolis/Macri)**

**THAT the report be received and noted.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Absent:** Cr Byrne

Meeting closed at 9.14pm.

**PUBLIC SPEAKERS:**

<b>Item #</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Suburb</b>
<b>Item 3:</b>	Kate Hoang	Bankstown
	Anh Linh Pham	Canley Heights
<b>Item 4:</b>	Stuart McCarthy	Marrickville
	Anthony Brooks	Moore Park
	David Klarnett	Marrickville
	Deborah Evans	Marrickville
	Roger Hudson	Marrickville
<b>Item 5:</b>	Jonathan Bolton	Annandale

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021 were confirmed as a correct record on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2021.

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CHAIRPERSON