

CAMPBELLTOWN CITY COUNCIL

Minutes Summary

Ordinary Council Meeting held at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, 14 September 2021.

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Campbelltown City Council held on 14 September 2021

Present The Mayor, Councillor G Brticevic
 Councillor M Chivers
 Councillor M Chowdhury
 Councillor B Gilholme
 Councillor G Greiss
 Councillor K Hunt
 Councillor P Lake
 Councillor D Lound
 Councillor R Manoto
 Councillor B Moroney
 Councillor W Morrison
 Councillor M Oates
 Councillor T Rowell
 Councillor B Thompson

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND

An Acknowledgement of Land was presented by the Chairperson Councillor Brticevic.

Council Prayer

The Council Prayer was presented by the General Manager.

2. APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

Note: Councillor R George has been granted a leave of absence from Council incorporating all meetings until further notice.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**3.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held 3 August 2021**

It was **Moved** Councillor Chowdhury, **Seconded** Councillor Gilholme:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 3 August 2021, copies of which have been circulated to each Councillor, be taken as read and confirmed.

173 The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of Interest were made in respect of the following items:

Pecuniary Interests

Nil

Non Pecuniary – Significant Interests

Nil

Non Pecuniary – Less than Significant Interests

Nil

Other Disclosures

Nil

5. MAYORAL MINUTE

5.1 Infrastructure Contributions – Sydney Metropolitan Councils

It was **Moved** Councillor Brticevic:

1. That Council calls on the NSW Government to withdraw the Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Infrastructure Contributions) Bill 2021 (the EPA Amendment Bill) from the NSW Parliament.
2. That Council calls on the NSW Government to undertake further consultation with the local government sector on any proposed reforms to the infrastructure contributions system.
3. That Council support the placement of a joint Sydney Metropolitan Councils full-page advertisement in relevant publications outlining the estimated financial impact of the EPA Amendment Bill (as detailed in Attachment 1) including a financial contribution towards the cost of the advertising and the Mayors signature and Council logo within the advertisement.
4. That Council write to Mr Greg Warren MP and Mr Anoulack Chanthivong MP seeking their support.

A Division was **Called** by Councillor Brticevic **Seconded** Councillor Lake.

A Division was recorded in regard to the Resolution for Item 5.1 with those voting for the Motion being Councillors G Brticevic, M Oates, M Chowdhury, K Hunt, D Lound, R Manoto, B Gilholme, M Chivers, B Moroney, P Lake, W Morrison, B Thompson, G Greiss and T Rowell.

Voting against the Resolution were Nil.

174 The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED** unanimously.

6. PETITIONS

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Local Planning Panel - Statutory Declarations

It was **Moved** Councillor Moroney, **Seconded** Councillor Thompson:

That the letter be received and the information be noted.

175 The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

8. REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

8.1 Outcome of Public Exhibition - Draft Campbelltown (Sustainable City) Development Control Plan - Tree Permits

It was **Moved** Councillor Oates, **Seconded** Councillor Thompson:

1. That Amendment No. 14 to Part 11 (Vegetation and Wildlife Management) of the Campbelltown (Sustainable City) Development Control Plan 2015 be adopted.
2. That Council give public notice of its decision in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000.
3. That those who made a submission be advised of this decision.

A Division was recorded in regard to the Resolution for Item 8.1 with those voting for the Motion being Councillors G Brticevic, M Oates, M Chowdhury, K Hunt, D Lound, R Manoto, B Gilholme, M Chivers, B Moroney, P Lake, W Morrison, B Thompson, G Greiss and T Rowell.

Voting against the Resolution were Nil.

176 The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

8.2 Development Application Status

It was **Moved** Councillor Morrison, **Seconded** Councillor Lake:

That the information be noted.

177 The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

8.3 Bush Fire Management Policy

It was **Moved** Councillor Morrison, **Seconded** Councillor Moroney:

1. That the revised Bush Fire Management Policy as attached to this report be adopted.
2. That the Bush Fire Management Policy review date be set at 30 September 2024.

178 The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

8.4 Easement for Electrical Supply Affecting Part Lot 4 DP 259807 and Part Lot 532 DP 230227

It was **Moved** Councillor Hunt, **Seconded** Councillor Oates:

1. That approval be granted for the creation of an easement for electrical supply in favour of Endeavour Energy over Council land at Bradbury.
2. That approval be granted for the General Manager or her delegated authority to sign all documentation associated with the creation of the easement for electrical supply.
3. That the Common Seal of Council be affixed to the documentation, if required.

179 The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

8.5 Investments and Revenue Report - July 2021

It was **Moved** Councillor Lake, **Seconded** Councillor Morrison:

That the information be noted.

180 The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

8.6 Reports and Letters Requested

It was **Moved** Councillor Thompson, **Seconded** Councillor Morrison:

That the information be noted.

181 The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

8.7 Minutes of the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Report

It was **Moved** Councillor Morrison, **Seconded** Councillor Thompson:

That the minutes of the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee held 10 August 2021 be noted.

182 The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

8.8 2021 Local Government NSW Annual Conference

It was **Moved** Councillor Oates, **Seconded** Councillor Brticevic:

1. That Council nominate Councillor Oates, Councillor Hunt, Councillor Lound, Councillor Manoto, Councillor Gilholme, Councillor Moroney, Councillor Greiss, Councillor Rowell and Councillor Brticevic as the 9 voting delegates for the 2021 Local Government NSW Annual Conference and the 2021 Local Government NSW Board Election.
2. That Council nominate Councillor Oates, Councillor Hunt, Councillor Lound, Councillor Manoto, Councillor Gilholme, Councillor Moroney, Councillor Greiss, Councillor Rowell and Councillor Brticevic as the 9 voting delegates for the determination of Local Government NSW 'Special Conference' Motions, noting that substitutions of Councillors are permitted pending the outcome of the Local Government election.
3. That other interested Councillors also be authorised to attend the 2021 Local Government NSW Annual Conference and the Local Government NSW 'Special Conference' Motions together with the General Manager and/or delegate.
4. That the registration fees and travel expenses for the Local Government NSW 'Special Conference' Motions be met in accordance with Council's Policy.

183 The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

8.9 Quarterly Business Review Statement as at 30 June 2021

It was **Moved** Councillor Thompson, **Seconded** Councillor Lound:

That the adjustments in the Quarterly Business Review originally funded in the 2020-21 budget and subsequent financial reviews, be reallocated for expenditure during 2021-22.

184 The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

8.10 Easements and Road Widening for Part Lot 2411 DP 1252979

It was **Moved** Councillor Oates, **Seconded** Councillor Thompson:

1. That approval be granted for:
 - a) An easement for electrical supply in favour of Endeavour Energy to supply the Bunnings development;
 - b) An easement for a right of carriageway in favour of Council to enable maintenance access to an existing drainage channel and culvert; and
 - c) Road widening to a portion of the lot adjoining Blaxland Road to allow for the extension of an existing shared pedestrian/cycle path.
2. That approval be granted for the General Manager, or delegated authority, to sign all documentation associated with the creation of the easements and road widening.
3. That the Common Seal of Council be affixed to the documentation, if required.
4. That following the Sub-division and registration with NSW Land Registry Services that the land remain classified as Operational Land under the *Local Government Act 1993*.

185 The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

9. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

10. RESCISSION MOTION

Nil

11. NOTICE OF MOTION

11.1 Support for the Homeless in Campbelltown

It was **Moved** Councillor Morrison, **Seconded** Councillor Oates:

1. That a report be presented detailing the initiatives, services and strategies that Council has implemented, and is continuing to implement, during [and before] the COVID-19 crisis, to assist local community organisations and NGOs, working to support homeless people in our LGA.
2. That Council investigate future opportunities to reduce/eliminate homelessness in the Campbelltown LGA and include these initiatives in the report.

186 The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

11.2 Creative Arts Fund

It was **Moved** Councillor Oates, **Seconded** Councillor Chowdhury:

1. That a report be presented investigating the establishment/trial of a local creative arts fund with the purpose of providing opportunities to improve the wellbeing, resilience and social cohesion of our community through creative expression and social connection.
2. That the report also include the current and past, small and localised art funding initiatives undertaken by Campbelltown City Council including the cost associated with these initiatives.

187 The Motion on being Put was **CARRIED**.

12. URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS

13. PRESENTATIONS BY COUNCILLORS

1. Councillor Meg Oates attended an online meeting with other Mayors and Deputy Mayors and Linda Scott from LGNSW. The event was an opportunity for councils who are in the same situation regarding COVID-19 lockdowns to share what has been working and how they have been responding to the COVID-19 crisis. The event ended on a high with all participants leaving looking towards solutions.

2. Councillor Meg Oates today attended the online ceremony for the NSW Volunteer of the Year Awards for the South Western Sydney region. Councillor Oates explained the nomination process with nominations for volunteers received for Young Volunteer of the Year, Adult Volunteer of the Year, Senior Volunteer of the Year and Volunteer Team of the Year. The regional finalist will be invited to the state ceremony for the announcement of the 2021 NSW Volunteer of the Year. Councillor Oates shared how wonderful it was to have the opportunity to celebrate our volunteers and to thank all the nominees for their dedication and time they give to volunteer across the Macarthur region.
3. Councillor Masood Chowdhury last week attended the South West Multicultural and Community Centre to assist packing food hampers for the community. Councillor Chowdhury thanked all involved for helping to assist members of our community during these difficult times.
4. Councillor Masood Chowdhury spoke about the Afghan refugees that recently left Afghanistan on flights to the USA and Australia. Councillor Chowdhury extended a warm welcome to all Afghan refugees who are settling in the LGA.
5. Councillor Paul Lake congratulated the Campbelltown LGA residents noting Campbelltown's high vaccination rates, 87 per cent of residents have received a first dose and 48 per cent of residents have received a second dose.
6. Councillor Ben Moroney echoed Councillor Chowdhury's comments regarding the situation in Afghanistan and expressed pride that Campbelltown LGA is and remains a welcome refugee zone and the community will do their part to assist any refugees.
7. Councillor Ben Moroney advised the meeting that the COVID-19 infection reproduction rate dropped below one for the first time during this outbreak of COVID-19. Councillor Moroney shared this as a sign of hope, that things are getting better.
8. Councillor Bob Thompson passed on his thanks to the City Delivery Team for all their work in keeping Campbelltown looking beautiful.
9. Councillor Ted Rowell shared how he experienced some major issues with his technology recently and passed on this thanks to Monique for coordinating, to the IT Team members James and Tim for their expertise in finding solutions and to the rangers for their assistance in delivering the devices.
10. The Mayor, Councillor George Brticevic thanked staff for the support they provide to all Councillors during the lockdown.
11. The Mayor, Councillor George Brticevic passed on his appreciation to the citizenship team for enabling citizenship ceremonies to be held during lockdown. The number of citizens awaiting citizenship has reduced from 1,300 to 370.
12. The Mayor, Councillor George Brticevic thanked Council staff for their assistance at the vaccination hubs at Macquarie Fields and Claymore in helping with traffic flow and people movement providing comfort to those waiting in the line for vaccination by moving the line into the shade. Councillor Brticevic thanked the General Manager and Director City Delivery for their assistance in opening the Catholic Club as an additional vaccination centre with the Pfizer vaccination also available on some days.

13. The Mayor, Councillor George Brticevic thanked the community, local businesses, community groups and local charities who have stepped up to help fellow residents and support them through these tough times.
14. The Mayor, Councillor George Brticevic today attended an online meeting with the Premier and all Mayors from LGAs of concern. Councillor Brticevic advised that the meeting was split into groups of 4 Mayors and he was with the Mayors from Liverpool, Canterbury-Bankstown and Fairfield. Councillor Brticevic advised he raised concerns that the Campbelltown LGA has low numbers of COVID-19 infections and was seeking to have Campbelltown removed as an LGA of concern and further concessions to ease restrictions earlier. Councillor Brticevic also raised the resilience our city has shown but also that we need assistance for Non-Government Organisations regarding the issue of food security and called for considerations to be provided to businesses for security, particularly those which are closed with no online presence. Councillor Brticevic commended the LGA noting the high vaccination rates and with infection rates decreasing.
15. The Mayor, Councillor George Brticevic today attended an online meeting with the NSW Treasurer, Dominic Perrottet MP, the Western Sydney Minister, Stuart Ayres MP and the General Manager for further discussions resulting from the Western Sydney Economic Forum. They discussed resilience and business and the extension of some programs to encourage the economy, encourage safe events and to help activate areas in our LGA.
16. The Mayor, Councillor George Brticevic shared how pleased he is to see the Campbelltown LGA residents coming forward to get vaccinated with 87 per cent having received the first dose and 46 per cent are fully vaccinated with their second dose.

14. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Nil

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:15 pm.

Confirmed by Council on

..... General Manager Chairperson