

COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

4 April 2016

Commencing at 6.31pm

M J Ferguson
General Manager



ATTENDANCE

Members

Townsend, J (Mayor & Chairperson)
Grace, B
Griffith, S
Hegarty, J
McTaggart, A
Millar, K
White, I
Young, S

Officers

Ferguson, M (General Manager)
Hewitt, M (DGM, Environmental Planning & Community)
Taylor, B (DGM, Urban & Environmental Assets)
Godfrey, L (Manager, Community and Library Services)
Mulroney, J (Manager, Community Engagement & Corporate Development)
Gallery, S (Principal Officer, Governance)
Tasker, P (Administration Officer/ Minute Secretary)

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Note:

The Council Meeting commenced at 6.31pm and moved into Closed Session at 8.15pm, resumed into Open Session at 8.30pm and concluded at 8.33pm.

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1.0 Apologies

COUNCIL DECISION

That apologies be received and accepted from Cr Ferguson and leave of absence be granted from the Council Meeting held on 4 April 2016.

(Cr Hegarty / Cr Millar)

Note:

Cr Griffith had previously advised that she would be late to the meeting.

2.0 Declarations of Pecuniary and Conflict of Interest including any Political Donations and Gifts

Nil.

3.0 Confirmation of Minutes

COUNCIL DECISION

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 19 March 2016, copies of which were circulated to all Councillors, be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of that meeting.

(Cr White / Cr Grace)

4.0 Public Addresses

C8.1 – Council Merger Proposal – Pittwater Warringah Manly - with the leave of the Council Mr Gavin Butler addressed the meeting speaking in support of the recommendation on this item.

5.0 Councillor Questions with Notice

Nil.

6.0 Mayoral Minutes

Nil.

7.0 Business by Exception

Nil.

8.0 Council Meeting Business

C8.1 Council Merger Proposal - Pittwater Warringah Manly

Notes:

1. Cr Griffith joined the meeting at 6.59pm.
2. The following unsuccessful procedural motion was moved by Cr Young and seconded by Cr Grace:
That the Confidential submission document be made available to the public and debated in Open Session of Council.
3. A division was duly taken resulting in the following voting:

Aye (For)	No (Against)
Cr Griffith	Cr Millar
Cr Grace	Cr Townsend
Cr Young	Cr White
	Cr McTaggart
	Cr Hegarty
4. Cr Hegarty left the meeting at 7.48pm and did not return.

Procedural Motion (COUNCIL DECISION)

That the Council move into Closed Session in order to debate the confidential submission relating to Item C8.1: Council Merger – Pittwater Warringah Manly.

(Cr White / Cr Townsend)

Note:

At 8.15pm the Council moved into Closed Session with the press and public excluded to consider the confidential submission relating to Item C8.1: Council Merger – Pittwater Warringah Manly.

Procedural Motion (COUNCIL DECISION)

That the Council now move back into Open Session.

(Cr Millar / Cr White)

Note:

At 8.30pm the Council moved back into Open Session.

8.0 Council Meeting Business

C8.1 Council Merger Proposal - Pittwater Warringah Manly

COUNCIL DECISION

1. That the submission against the merger proposal for Pittwater Council, Warringah Council and Manly Council be adopted subject to various minor administrative amendments as detailed at the meeting.
2. That a copy of Council's amended submission be forwarded to the Delegate responsible for the southern merger proposal.
3. That a copy of the amended submission be forwarded to the Hon. Rob Stokes, State Member for Pittwater.
4. That the final submission document be released to the public in hard copy and electronic format on close of submissions at 5.00pm on Friday 8 April 2016.

(Cr Millar / Cr White)

Procedural Motion (COUNCIL DECISION)

That Cr Grace be granted an extension of time to complete his address to the meeting on this item.

(Cr Griffith / Cr Millar)

Notes:

1. A division was duly taken resulting in the following voting:

Aye (For)	No (Against)
Cr Townsend	Cr Griffith
Cr McTaggart	Cr Grace
Cr Millar	Cr Young
Cr White	

2. The following unsuccessful amendment was moved by Cr Young and seconded by Cr Griffith:
 1. *That Pittwater Council totally rejects the merger proposal put forward by Warringah Council for the amalgamation of Pittwater Warringah and Manly.*
 2. *That as the delegate is to consider the proposal against the status quo, the references and comparisons with the Minister for Local Government's merger proposal of Pittwater and Warringah (part) are irrelevant and must be removed from this submission.*
 3. *That the amended submission be forwarded to the Delegate responsible for the southern merger proposal.*
 4. *That a copy of the submission be forwarded to the Hon. Rob Stokes, State Member for Pittwater.*
 5. *That the final submission document be released to the public in hard copy and electronic format on close of submissions at 5.00pm on Friday 8 April 2016.*

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS
THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 8.33PM ON
MONDAY 4 APRIL 2016**