

MINUTES

EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

held at the Civic Centre, Dee Why on

TUESDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2015

(2015/11)

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Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 17 November 2015 at the Civic Centre, Dee Why Commencing at 6:02pm

ATTENDANCE:

Members

Councillors M Regan (Mayor), J Menano-Pires, P Daley, B Giltinan, R Harrison (Deputy Mayor), S Heins, D Kerr and V Moskal

Officers

Rik Hart General Manager

Ruth Robins A/ Deputy General Manager Community Malcolm Ryan Deputy General Manager Environment

Vivienne Ingram Executive Legal Counsel Melissa Lee Governance Manager

Katie Kirwan Administration Officer Governance Ximena Von Oven Administration Officer Governance

Dinesh Mishra IM&T Support Officer
David Walsh Chief Financial Officer

Peter Bell Group Manager Customer Support Services

David Kerr Group Manager Development Assessment & Compliance

Graham Middleton Group Manager Marketing & Communications

Todd Dickinson Group Manager Natural Environment
Boris Bolgoff Group Manager Roads, Traffic and Waste

Peter Robinson Group Manager Strategic Planning

NOTES

The meeting commenced at 6:02pm and concluded at 6:56pm



1.0 APOLOGIES

239/15 **RESOLVED**

Cr Regan / Cr Kerr

That apologies for non-attendance be received from Councillor Vincent De Luca and Councillor Wayne Gobert.

VOTING

For the resolution: Crs Daley, Giltinan, Harrison, Heins, Kerr, Menano-Pires, Moskal

and Regan

Against the resolution: Nil

CARRIED

2.0 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Cr Daley declared a non-pecuniary less than significant pecuniary interest as he had a close association with Manly Council, having served as a Councillor and being an active member of the Liberal Party.

3.0 PUBLIC FORUM

The Mayor requested each speaker to acknowledge they had been informed that the meeting was to be webcast live and that Council accepts no responsibility for any defamatory comments made.

3.1 Michael Syme addressed Item 4.1, Mayoral Minute 12/2015 – Response to NSW Local Government Reform – Council Amalgamations

PROCEDURAL MOTION - EXTENSION OF TIME

240/15 **RESOLVED**

Cr Regan / Cr Menano-Pires

That Mr Syme be granted an extension of 3 minutes to address the meeting.

VOTING

For the resolution: Crs Daley, Giltinan, Heins, Kerr, Menano-Pires and Moskal

Against the resolution: Crs Harrison and Regan

CARRIED

3.2 Gordon Lang addressed Item 4.1, Mayoral Minute No 12/2015 - Response to NSW Local Government Reform - Council Amalgamations.



PROCEDURAL MOTION - EXTENSION OF TIME

241/15 **RESOLVED**

Cr Regan / Cr Menano-Pires

That Mr Lang be granted an extension of 3 minutes to address the meeting.

VOTING

For the resolution: Crs Daley, Giltinan, Heins, Kerr, Menano-Pires and Moskal

Against the resolution: Crs Harrison and Regan

CARRIED

4.0 MAYORAL MINUTES

4.1 MAYORAL MINUTE NO 12/2015 - RESPONSE TO NSW LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFORM - COUNCIL AMALGAMATIONS

BACKGROUND

On Monday 9 November 2015 the General Manager and I met with the Mayors and General Managers of both Manly and Pittwater Council to discuss a collective response to the NSW Government reform proposal. Councils have until Wednesday to put forward merge preferences.

Sadly we were not able to come to an agreement and the northern beaches community will not receive \$25m in incentive funding from the NSW Government. We need to rise above petty politics.

Warringah remains committed to the final recommendations of the Independent Local Government Review Panel (ILGRP) and IPART – that one Northern Beaches Council is essential for scale, capacity and sustainability in this region. The size is right, the combination is right and independent studies show it's far superior to other options, including the KPMG Study commissioned by Manly and Pittwater Councils. The expected savings of \$200m over 10 years makes it the best use of community resources ongoing into the future for example reducing staff by 100 is \$100m of savings over 10 years and savings in domestic waste services is \$100m over 10 years!

Our community knows this. We have received 3,424 messages of support since June 2015 with the overwhelming majority (98.5%) saying:

Please unite the northern beaches to form one new, effective and efficient Northern Beaches Council.

I do not support my rates being wasted on making two new, less efficient Councils and splitting the northern beaches.

This brings the total number of submissions from our community to nearly 8,000.

Splitting Warringah to form two councils on the northern beaches has been rejected by ILGRP and IPART. It would lock the region into rising rates and highly compromised outcomes. Three independent studies have also shown the split option to be the worst for the region financially with massive costs to the community of \$179m over 10 years (SGS Economics).

It would create the 'haves' and 'have-nots'. One council would inherit Kimbriki, an incomegenerating asset, and the other would be encumbered with the liabilities of the aging facilities of Brookvale Oval and funding the town centre upgrades to Dee Why and Manly.



242/15 **RESOLVED**

Cr Regan

That Council advise the NSW Government by 18 November 2015 of the following merger preference: Manly, Warringah, Pittwater Councils – One Northern Beaches Council.

VOTING

For the resolution: Crs Giltinan, Harrison, Heins, Kerr, Menano-Pires, Moskal and

Regan

Against the resolution: Cr Daley

CARRIED

5.0 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS

Nil

6.0 COMMUNITY DIVISION REPORTS

Nil

7.0 ENVIRONMENT DIVISION REPORTS

Nil

8.0 NOTICES OF RESCISSION

Nil

9.0 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

10.0 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil

11.0 RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil

The meeting concluded at 6:56pm

This is the final page of the minutes comprising 5 pages numbered 1 to 5 of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday 17 November 2015 and confirmed on Tuesday 24 November 2015

Mayor	General Manager