

## **COUNCIL MEETING**

**Minutes of the Corporation of the City of Unley  
Held on Monday 24 November 2014 at 7.00pm  
Civic Centre,  
181 Unley Road Unley**

### **PRESENT**

Mayor Lachlan Clyne (Presiding Member)	
Councillors	B Schnell L Smolucha
	D Palmer J Boisvert
	R Salaman M Hewitson
	M Hudson J Koumi
	P Hughes A Lapidge
	R Sangster M Rabbitt

### **OFFICERS PRESENT**

Chief Executive Officer, Mr P Tsokas  
General Manager Assets & Infrastructure, Mr J Devine  
General Manager Economic Development & Planning, Mr D Litchfield  
General Manager Community, Ms M Berghuis  
General Manager People & Governance, Mr S Faulkner  
Manager Governance & Risk, Ms R Wilson  
Executive Assistant to the CEO & Mayor, Ms C Gowland  
Sustainable Landscape Specialist, Mr T Stein

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Presiding Member opened the meeting with the Aboriginal Acknowledgement.

### **PRAYER AND SERVICE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Members stood in silence in memory of those who had made the Supreme sacrifice in the service of their country, at sea, on land and in the air.

### **WELCOME**

The Presiding Member welcomed Members of Council, Senior Staff, and the media to the 24 November 2014, meeting of the Unley City Council.

## **APOLOGIES**

Nil

## **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Nil

## **ITEM 1**

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

MOVED Councillor Palmer

SECONDED Councillor Hewitson

That:

1. The minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 27 October 2014, as printed and circulated, be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **DEPUTATIONS**

The Mayor advised the Council that he had received a request for a deputation to the Council from Ms Greenslade regarding 'Extending the LATM study planned for Weller Street to include Wood Street'. The deputation was refused on the grounds that there was no relevant item being presented to this meeting of the Council. Ms Greenslade was advised that when a report is presented to the Council, Ms Greenslade can make a deputation at that time.

## **ITEM 2**

### **ELECTED MEMBER ALLOWANCES AND BENEFITS POLICY**

MOVED Councillor Boisvert

SECONDED Councillor Hudson

That:

1. The report be received.
2. The Elected Member Allowances and Benefits Policy (*Attachment 2 to Item 3/14*) be adopted.

3. In accordance with Section 78 of the *Local Government Act 1999*, Council resolves to provide the facilities and support outlined in the Elected Member Allowances and Benefits Policy.
4. The Elected Member allowance provided under Section 76(1) of the *Local Government Act 1999* be paid quarterly in advance.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ITEM 3\***

**HEYWOOD PARK TREE RISK MANAGEMENT**

MOVED Councillor Rabbitt

SECONDED Councillor Smolucha

1. The report be received.
2. The trees that have been identified in the report, as posing a significant safety risk, be removed as soon as practicable.
3. For the trees that don't present a safety risk currently, a tree management plan involving removal, pruning and replacement, be carried out over a period of up to 3 years to minimise the visual impact and disruption to the park.
4. The community be advised prior to any works being undertaken.

**LOST**

A Division was called and the previous decision set aside.

**DIVISION**

Those voting in the affirmative:

Councillors Smolucha, Lapidge, Sangster and Rabbitt.

Those voting in the negative:

Councillors Schnell, Palmer, Boisvert, Salaman, Hewiton, Hudson, Koumi and Hughes.

The MOTION was then declared **LOST**

MOVED Councillor Hudson  
SECONDED Councillor Palmer

That

1. The report be received.

**CARRIED**

**ITEM 4**

**APPOINTMENT – SELECTION PANEL FOR 2015 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS**

**Suspension of Meeting Procedures**

The Mayor advised the Council that he thought the meeting would benefit from a short term suspension of meeting procedures, for up to 10 minutes, to discuss the nominations for the Selection Panel.

This was agreed with a two thirds majority.

Meeting procedures were suspended at 7.48pm.

Meeting procedures were reinstated at 7.49pm.

MOVED Councillor Boisvert  
SECONDED Councillor Hewitson

That:

1. The report be received.
2. Councillors Hudson, Palmer and Schnell be appointed to assist the Mayor in the selection of nominees for the Australia Day Awards 2015.
3. Two of the previous Australia Day Award winners be invited to serve on the panel to assist in the selection of nominees for the Australia Day Awards 2015.
4. The change to the selection process due to the Ombudsman's recommendation regarding confidentiality be noted and a confidential memo be sent to Elected Members to advise of the panel's selection.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ITEM 5**  
**ITEM LYING ON TABLE LAPSES**

MOVED Councillor Koumi  
SECONDED Councillor Hudson

That:

1. The report be received.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ITEM 6**  
**DETERMINATION OF TIME AND PLACE OF ORDINARY MEETINGS OF**  
**COUNCIL FOR 2014-2105**

MOVED Councillor Hughes  
SECONDED Councillor Sangster

That:

1. The report be received.
2. The Council meet on the fourth Monday of every month at 7.00pm at the Civic Centre, 181 Unley Road, Unley, with appropriate adjustments to accommodate public holidays, in accordance with the meeting schedule outlined below:

Monday	8 December 2014
Tuesday	27 January 2015
Monday	23 February 2015
Monday	23 March 2015
Monday	27 April 2015
Monday	25 May 2015
Monday	22 June 2015
Monday	27 July 2015
Monday	24 August 2015
Monday	28 September 2015
Monday	26 October 2015
Monday	23 November 2015
Monday	14 December 2015

3. Council meet on the second Monday of the month, with appropriate adjustments to accommodate public holidays, as determined by the Chief Executive Officer.

4. The above meeting dates be adopted and advertised in accordance with the Local Government Act, 1999.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ITEM 7**  
**APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR**

**Suspension of Meeting Procedures**

The Mayor advised the Council that he thought the meeting would benefit from a short term suspension of meeting procedures, for up to 30 minutes, to discuss this item. This was agreed with a two thirds majority.

Meeting procedures were suspended at 7.59pm.

Meeting procedures were reinstated at 8.23pm.

MOVED Councillor Boisvert  
SECONDED Councillor Hughes

That:

1. The report be received.
2. The Council appoint a Deputy Mayor at the January 2015 meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ITEM 8**  
**COUNCIL ACTION RECORDS**

MOVED Councillor Salaman  
SECONDED Councillor Palmer

That:

1. The report be received.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ITEM 9**  
**QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

Councillor Hughes – Local Government Elections – extensive campaign undertaken by ECSA and LGA for people to vote. What have ECSA and LGA done to advise people of the outcome of elections?

Can the Council use the regular column in the Eastern Courier to give the public the results of the election?

Councillor Schnell – Dog poo bags – are the signs on the dispensers marked “take one only”? Why not on every dispenser? Are dual dispensers on every site? This would avoid running out of bags.

Australian Citizen of the Year Awards – has the criteria changed? Must applicants live and provide the service in the Council area?

General Manager to check the criteria and advise Members.

**ITEM 10**  
**CORRESPONDENCE**

The correspondence from

- Local Government Association – re Kaurua Liaison Committee
- Minister for Volunteers – re Community Voices Program
- City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters – re Adelaide Parklands Dry Zone

be noted.

**ITEM 11**  
**MAYOR’S REPORT**

MOVED Councillor Boisvert  
SECONDED Councillor Koumi

That:

1. The report be received.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **ITEM 12**

### **REPORTS OF MEMBERS**

#### Items of Particular Interest, Concern or Urgency

Councillor Koumi – Deputations – should be allowed whether the item is on the agenda or not. It is important to allow members of the public to interact with the Council.

Councillor Hudson – Street tree replacement – in Parkside there is a concern that we are waiting for trees to die before replacement. Replacing with same type of trees. How do we handle paving footpaths and replacing trees. In breach of the Human Rights Commission.

Sturt are achieving their target for their share of the fence. Don't know how many pickets they have auctioned, but one picket was auctioned for \$600.

Councillor Salaman – Accident Mother's Milk – Car careered off the road into the wall of Mother's Milk Café. Raises a number of questions and concerns regarding safety.

Councillor Rabbitt – Deputation Application re Wood Street and LATM Study proposed for area 1. Growing concern from residents regarding the amount of traffic using Wood and Grove Streets.

Councillor Hewitson – Congratulations to staff for their efforts over the last 4 years. Also congratulations on putting all Council information on USB.

Councillor Sangster – Discussion on traffic and aggressive drivers. Impressive opening at the Unley Museum on Sunday. Congratulations to staff concerned.

Councillor Schnell – Thank you to the Administration in trying to resolve the issue of dog poo bags. Approached by the Messenger for a comment. At the Council meeting held at Goodwood, discussion re bottles and cans, they are worthless to the contractor and Unley, as they are shipped to Victoria.

Councillor Boisvert left the meeting at 8.49pm returning at 8.51pm during the above Item.

Councillor Koumi, left the meeting at 8.52pm returning at 8.57pm during the above Item.



**ITEM 13**  
**NOTICE OF MOTION FROM COUNCILLOR SCHNELL RE SEWERAGE**

MOVED Councillor Schnell  
SECONDED Councillor Sangster

That

1. Council liaises with relevant authorities and subject specialists to determine the concentration of drugs in the recycled GAP water and the potential longer term impact on Unley's ovals, parks and vegetation.
2. A report be prepared for Council by February 2015.

**Procedural Motion**

MOVED Councillor Boisvert  
SECONDED Councillor Koumi

That the motion be put

**Carried**

**LOST**

A Division was called and the previous decision set aside.

**Division**

Those voting in the affirmative:

Councillors Schnell and Sangster

Those voting in the negative:

Councillors Smolucha, Palmer, Boisvert, Salaman, Hewitson, Hudson, Koumi, Hughes, Lapidge and Rabbitt.

The MOTION was declared **LOST**

## **MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

Nil

## **NEXT MEETING**

Monday 8 December 2014 – 7.00pm

## **CLOSURE**

The Presiding Member closed the meeting at 9.03 pm.

.....  
PRESIDING MEMBER

.....