

Minutes of Extraordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday 27 January 2016**Meeting commenced at 6.33pm****ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY BY CHAIRPERSON**

We meet tonight on the traditional land of the Cadigal people of the Eora nation. I acknowledge the terrible wrongs committed against the Aboriginal peoples of this country and their care of the land over many generations. I celebrate their ongoing survival and achievements in today's society.

PERIOD OF SILENCE FOR PRAYER, PLEDGE OR CONTEMPLATION**COUNCILLORS PRESENT**Iskandar (Mayor)
Ellsmore
WoodsTyler (Deputy Mayor)
HannaBarbar
HaylenBrooks
Macri**APOLOGIES:****Motion: (Iskandar/Ellsmore)**

THAT the apologies for Councillor Gardiner, Councillor Leary and Councillor Phillips be noted and leave of absence granted.

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Councillors Barbar, Brooks, Ellsmore, Hanna, Haylen, Iskandar, Macri, Tyler and Woods**Against Motion:** Nil**DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:** Nil.**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES****Motion: (Iskandar/Tyler)**

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 1 December 2015 be confirmed.

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Councillors Barbar, Brooks, Ellsmore, Hanna, Haylen, Iskandar, Macri, Tyler and Woods**Against Motion:** Nil

C0116 Item 1 COUNCIL AMALGAMATION**Motion: (Iskandar/Tyler)**

THAT the General Manager provide a verbal background briefing on Item 1.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Councillors Barbar, Brooks, Ellsmore, Hanna, Haylen, Iskandar, Macri, Tyler and Woods

Against Motion: Nil

Motion: (Iskandar/Tyler)

THAT:

1. Council requests the General Manager to prepare a draft submission to the Delegate for the consideration of Council at its meeting in February 2016 based on existing information available, including the results of the recent community engagement process, which responds to the factors in s263(3) of the Local Government Act and sets out the case for Marrickville standing alone;
2. Council acknowledges the distribution of an information flyer to its residents on the merger proposal and the examination process undertaken to date encouraging their full participation in that process and endorses the associated communication plan outlined in this report;
3. Council notes the need for the General Manager to prepare a transition plan should a new council be formed;
4. Council allocates an amount of \$10,000 to facilitate the preparation of a transition plan and undertake associated activities should that be required;
5. Council considers budget adjustments for the Fit for the Future processes undertaken to date and for the preparation of the transition plan at its December budget review; and
6. the report be received and noted.

Amendment: (Ellsmore/Brooks)

THAT the following additional points be included:

1. Council formally request an extension of time for the Public Inquiry process and that a further public meeting be held in Marrickville as part of the Inquiry;
2. Council lodges an application with the Minister for Local Government under the GIPA Act for access to a full copy of the KPMG report referenced in his proposal for amalgamation of Ashfield, Leichhardt and Marrickville Councils together with any associated documents including, without limitation, documents containing assumptions, models and/or data relied upon by KPMG in preparation of the report; and
3. Council publicly exhibits the draft submission as far as practicable.

Amendment Carried

For Amendment: Councillors Barbar, Brooks, Ellsmore, Hanna, Haylen, Iskandar, Macri, Tyler and Woods

Against Amendment: Nil

Amendment: (Tyler/Haylen)

THAT Council authorises the Mayor, General Manager and appropriate Officers to make a presentation to the Public Inquiry.

Amendment Carried

For Amendment: Councillors Barbar, Brooks, Ellsmore, Hanna, Haylen, Iskandar, Macri, Tyler and Woods

Against Amendment: Nil

COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**Motion: (Iskandar/Tyler)**

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8. Council publicly exhibits the draft submission as far as practicable;
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10. the report be received and noted.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Councillors Barbar, Brooks, Ellsmore, Hanna, Haylen, Iskandar, Macri, Tyler and Woods

Against Motion: Nil

C0116 Item 2 RESCHEDULING OF INFRASTRUCTURE, PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AND COMMUNITY AND CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETINGS IN FEBRUARY 2016**Motion: (Iskandar/Hanna)**

THAT:

1. the Infrastructure, Planning and Environmental Services Committee Meeting due to be held on Tuesday 2 February 2016 be rescheduled to Wednesday 3 February 2016 in light of a scheduling conflict with the Public Inquiry on the proposed merger of Marrickville, Ashfield and Leichhardt Councils;
2. the Community and Corporate Services Committee Meeting due to be held on Tuesday 2 February 2016 be rescheduled to Wednesday 3 February 2016 in light of a scheduling conflict with the Public Inquiry on the proposed merger of Marrickville, Ashfield and Leichhardt Councils; and
3. any alteration to the schedule of Committee meetings for February 2016 be widely publicised via normal communications channels used by Council.

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Councillors Barbar, Brooks, Ellsmore, Hanna, Haylen, Iskandar, Macri, Tyler and Woods**Against Motion:** Nil

Meeting closed at 7.08pm.

CHAIRPERSON