

MINUTES

GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, 7 August 2013

The Council Chambers 35 Bloomfield Street CLEVELAND QLD

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 10.35am and acknowledged the Quandamooka people, who are the traditional custodians of the land on which Council meets.

The Mayor also paid Council's respect to their elders, past and present, and extended that respect to other indigenous Australians who are present.

2 DEVOTIONAL SEGMENT

Pastor Paul Curtis, Victoria Point Baptist and member of the Ministers' Fellowship led Council in a brief devotional segment.

3 IN RECOGNITION

3.1 RECOGNITION OF THE LATE ALFRED MARTIN OF NORTH STRADBROKE ISLAND

Today we pay homage to the late Mr Alfred Martin who served the Queensland Government for 40 years as the chief engineer on the 'Kaboora', a Queensland Government steamer, plying the steamer between Cleveland, Peel Island and Dunwich.

I also acknowledge that his daughter, Aunty Rose Borey, and descendents of the Martin family who are in Council Chambers today. Aunty Rose, a quiet and gracious woman, made the application to RCC to rename the road in honour of her late father.

Mr Martin was a highly competent boat-man and admired for navigating his launch through every kind of weather as he delivered mail and provisions. He was renowned for rescuing shipwrecked survivors and transporting expectant mothers or sick passengers to the mainland hospital often in treacherous conditions. On occasions he risked his own life to rescue people in danger and estimated he had sailed more than half a million miles on Moreton Bay.

Mr Martin's son, Anthony succeeded him as chief engineer, and is the third generation of the Martin family to be a Government boat-man.

Mr Martin was described in a written testament "as absolutely honest, dependable and loyal" and today Council honour to his memory by renaming a road Martin Way.

The renaming of Trans Island Link Road to Martin Way is a very fitting acknowledgment of the local Aboriginal people's continuous connection to the North Stradbroke Island, traditionally known as Minjerribah.

MOTION TO SUSPEND STANDING ORDERS

Moved by: Cr C Ogilvie

That Standard Orders be suspended at 10.43am to allow Aunty Rose Borey of Dunwich, North Stradbroke Island to reply to the Mayor's recognition of her father.

MOTION TO RESUME STANDING ORDERS

Moved by: Cr C Ogilvie Seconded by: Cr P Bishop

That Council resume Standing Orders at 10.52am.

CARRIED 11/0

4 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cr K Williams Mayor – left meeting at 12.05pm
Cr A Beard Deputy Mayor & Councillor Division 8

Cr W Boglary Councillor Division 1 Cr C Ogilvie Councillor Division 2 Cr K Hardman Councillor Division 3 Cr L Hewlett Councillor Division 4 Councillor Division 5 Cr M Edwards Cr J Talty Councillor Division 6 Cr M Elliott Councillor Division 7 Cr P Gleeson Councillor Division 9 Councillor Division 10 Cr P Bishop

EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP GROUP:

Mr B Lyon Chief Executive Officer

Mr N Clarke General Manager Organisational Services

Mrs L Rusan General Manager Community & Customer Services

Mr G Soutar General Manager Infrastructure & Operations

Mr G Holdway Chief Financial Officer

MINUTES:

Mrs J Parfitt Team Leader Corporate Meetings & Registers

5 RECEIPT AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 24 JULY 2013

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by: Cr M Edwards Seconded by: Cr J Talty

That the Minutes of the General Meeting of Council held on 24 July 2013 be confirmed.

General Meeting Minutes 24 July 2013

6 MATTERS OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The Chief Executive Officer presented the following items for noting:

6.1 PETITION (DIVISION 4) REQUEST TO REOPEN NORFOLK BEACH ROADWAY TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC

At the General Meeting on 5 June 2013 Council resolved that the petition, which reads as follows, be received and referred to a Committee or officer for consideration and a report to the local government and that the principal petitioner be advised in writing accordingly.

Request for Council to "reopen Norfolk Beach roadway to vehicular traffic in accordance with the Coochiemudlo Island Land Management Plan 2004 until the sealed and signposted Victoria Parade East is completed to connect with Victoria Parade South.

A report addressing this matter will be presented to an ensuing Coordination Committee Meeting.

6.2 REVIEW OF RESERVES

At the General Meeting on 19 June 2013 Council resolved to defer this item to the August Coordination Committee Meeting.

7 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING

Moved by: Cr P Bishop Seconded by: Cr L Hewlett

That Council adjourn the meeting for a 15 minute public participation segment.

CARRIED 11/0

- Mr E Davies representing residents of retirement village 'Lifestyle Estates' at Victoria point, addressed Council in relation to Development Application MCU013077.
- Mr G Wood of Cleveland and commercial fisherman, addressed Council in relation to assessment of his application for a Home Based Business.

MOTION TO RESUME MEETING

Moved by: Cr M Elliott Seconded by: Cr P Bishop

That the meeting proceedings resume.

- 8 PETITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS
- 8.1 PETITION (CR HEWLETT DIV 4) COMMENTS AND OBJECTIONS TO DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION MCU013077

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by: Cr L Hewlett Seconded by: Cr J Talty

That Council resolve that the petition, which reads as follows, be received and referred to the City Planning and Assessment Group for consideration as part of the application process.

"That Council consider the attached comments, submissions and objections in regard to Development Application MCU013077."

CARRIED 11/0

- 9 MOTION TO ALTER THE ORDER OF BUSINESS
- 9.1 MOTION TO ACCEPT LATE ITEMS

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by: Cr M Elliott Seconded by: Cr P Bishop

That the following late items be received:

- 1. Asbestos Management and Regulation in Queensland, discussed as Item 17.1.1; and
- 2. 8TH Asia Pacific Cities Summit, discussed as Item 17.2.1.

CARRIED 11/0

10 DECLARATION OF MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST OR CONFLICT OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Nil

COUNCILLOR ABSENCES DURING MEETING

Cr Bishop left the meeting at 12.01pm and returned at 12.03pm during discussion on Item 19.1.

Cr Williams left the meeting at 12.05pm during discussion on Item 19.1.

11 MOTION TO ADJOURN GENERAL MEETING FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE COORDINATION COMMITTEE MEETING

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by: Cr P Bishop Seconded by: Cr M Elliott

That the meeting be adjourned at 11.06am to enable the conduct of the Coordination Committee meeting.

12 MOTION TO RECONVENE GENERAL MEETING

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by: Cr M Elliott Seconded by: Cr P Gleeson

That the General Meeting be reconvened at 11.16am.

CARRIED 11/0

- 13 ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT & RECOMMENDATIONS
- 13.1 COORDINATION COMMITTEE MEETING 7 AUGUST 2013

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by: Cr P Bishop Seconded by: Cr J Talty

That the Report and Recommendations of the Coordination Committee meeting held 7 August 2013 be adopted.

Coordination Committee Report 7 August 2013

CARRIED 11/0

- 14 MAYORAL MINUTE
- 14.1 FRINGE BENEFIT TAX CHANGES

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by: Cr K Williams

That Council resolve to write to Prime Minister Kevin Rudd and Opposition Leader Tony Abbott asking them to exempt local government from any fringe benefit tax (FBT) changes, or to commit to a review of proposed changes, to remove or limit the impact of any FBT change on local government.

CARRIED 11/0

15 NOTICES OF MOTION TO REPEAL OR AMEND RESOLUTIONS

Nil

16 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

17 LATE ITEMS

17.1 COMMUNITY & CUSTOMER SERVICES

17.1.1 ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT AND REGULATION IN QUEENSLAND

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Committee

Attachment: Correspondence from LGAQ Asbestos

Submission

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to make a Council submission to the Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) on the regulation and management of asbestos in non-workplace settings.

BACKGROUND

The Attorney-General and Minister for Justice, the Honourable Jarrod Bleijie, is consulting with Local Government through the LGAQ on finalising a State-wide Strategic Plan for the Safe Management of Asbestos. The state is looking for a response by 15th August 2013.

For some time the issue of asbestos management and regulation in Queensland has been of concern. The release of the "The Asbestos Report" by the Queensland Ombudsman in March 2013 has resulted in the Queensland Government reviewing and accepting the recommendations made by this report.

The investigation by the Ombudsman was undertaken to respond to concerns about the lack of coordination of responses to asbestos across a number of different issues and in a range of circumstances. The Ombudsman states that the regulation of asbestos is undertaken in a "complex regulatory framework that at present suffers from a lack of strategic oversight and coordination" [QLD Ombudsman: 2013: foreword].

In most cases the regulation of asbestos falls to the Department of Justice and Attorney General, through Workplace Health and Safety Queensland. The regulation of asbestos in non-workplace settings has however, fallen to the Department of Health, through the *Public Health Act 2005*, public health risk provisions.

In 2005, Queensland Health introduced the *Public Health Act*, and devolved the responsibility for administration and enforcement of local government public health risks. These public health risks included designated pests such as vermin,

mosquitoes and went on to include "a dispersal or release of a by-product of manufacturing, construction, repair, alteration, cleaning or demolition work at a place other than a workplace". This includes the management of asbestos in non-workplace settings where activity being conducted may lead to the dispersal for Asbestos containing materials (ACM).

Councils have experienced a large number of issues with administering and enforcing these requirements due to the complex and sensitive nature of asbestos regulation, the lack of available training for local government environmental health officers, the confusion in delegated responsibilities, the lack of clarity and direction from the state, the lack of tools for enforcement and cost recovery, financial risk to Councils as well as the inability for Councils to obtain insurance for both professional indemnity and for employees generally to carry out work in and around ACM.

Councils, through the LGAQ have been campaigning for some time for these issues to be resolved satisfactorily.

As an interim measure, Council's have been referring these investigations to QLD Health to undertake on behalf of Local Government under Section 14 of the *Public Health Act 2005*, where the State and Local Government administer the Act in partnership. It is understood that there has been no cost placed onto Local Governments by QLD health for undertaking these functions.

While most of the Asbestos Report focuses on the broader regulation of asbestos, including in workplaces, transport of asbestos, and general state agency coordination the minor part that affects local government was raised.

Recommendation 15 of the Asbestos report states:

"The Director General of Queensland Health-

- a. Work with councils to resolve whether asbestos should remain a local government public health risk as defined by the PH Act; and
- b. Take steps to implement this agreed approach" [QLD Ombudsman: 2013:35].

ISSUES

The LGAQ has maintained that asbestos management and regulation should be the responsibility of the State, but has been negotiating with the State Government in relation to the matter and has received an undertaking from the State that they will alter the regulatory arrangements by:

- Proposing to train council officers for asbestos administration and enforcement;
- Seeking to provide a statutory indemnity under the *Public Health Act* for administration and enforcement of all local government public health risks;
- Providing broader cost recovery options for local government against both the owner of the property and the occupier of the property.

LGAQ is seeking a position from Council in relation to how it would like the LGAQ to proceed.

It is encouraging that the State is now prepared to work with local governments to ensure the concerns are addressed in relation to indemnity, training and cost recovery. This engagement will be beneficial to local government in dealing with the devolution of other responsibilities under the *Public Health Act*.

However, a coordinated, whole of government solution with a planned and proactive approach and consistent coordination is required, and recommended by the Asbestos report. The role of Local Government in asbestos regulation and management must be considered, and it is clear that a role exists, in relation to informing and educating communities and responding and reacting to Asbestos waste issues during and after a disaster event.

However, in relation to the enforcement of the Public Health Act provisions in relation to public health risks from Asbestos in non-workplace settings belongs with the agency that can coordinate responses consistently and respond to the risks by delivering the right message around the risks that are involved.

To ensure that considered and timely feedback is provided to the LGAQ it is necessary for Council to develop a submission with specific feedback to the following questions:

- 1. Should the LGAQ support altering the current administration and enforcement arrangements around domestic asbestos-related provisions of the Public Health Act?
- 2. If the Government implements its proposed policy, will the following changes be sufficient to protect Council and effectively administer the responsibility?
 - a. Inclusion of a statutory indemnity under the Public Health Act covering the administration and enforcement of all local government public health risks.
 - b. The provision of training for local government officers by State Government officers qualified to do so from either Work Place Health and Safety QLD or Queensland Health on an as needs basis for asbestos and other local government public health risks.
 - c. Application at a minimum of the cost recovery provisions of the Local Government Act and City of Brisbane Act to Public Health Act enforcement, and preferably a standalone clean-up fund.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

The devolution arrangements in relation to the administration and enforcement of the public health risks associated with Asbestos in non-workplace settings may impact Councils environmental health services.

Legislative Requirements

Section 11 of the *Public Health Act 2005* states that "a dispersal or release of a by-product of manufacturing, construction, repair, alteration, cleaning or demolition work at a place other than a workplace" is a Local Government Public Health risk, effectively devolving the responsibility for administering and enforcing the requirements to Local Government.

Risk Management

The involvement of Council in Asbestos places Council at the risk of both potential liability concerns, and concerns in relation to Council employees working situations where uncontrolled dispersal of asbestos containing material is occurring or has occurred.

Financial

There are resource implications for taking on this added responsibility as these investigations are often complex and costly to conduct.

People

There are implications for Council's employees in relation to workload and personal risk.

Environmental

The management of asbestos by government positively impacts the environment.

Social

There are no social impacts.

Alignment with Council's Policy and Plans

Corporate Plan 2010- 2015

- 7. Strong and Connected communities
- 7.3 Increase community safety, health and wellbeing by planning and delivering programs, services, partnerships, regulations and education.

CONSULTATION

Consultation has been conducted with the Local Government Association of Queensland, the South East Queensland Food Safety and Public Health Working Group, and Council's Environmental Health Team.

OPTIONS

- 1. Council resolve to delegate to the Chief Executive Officer, to prepare a submission to the LGAQ informing them of Council's position in relation to Asbestos Regulation in Queensland.
- 2. Council resolve not to participate in preparing a submission in relation to Asbestos regulation in Queensland.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION/ COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by: Cr P Gleeson Seconded by: Cr K Hardman

That Council resolve to delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer, to make a submission to the Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) informing them of Council's position in relation to Asbestos Regulation in Queensland.

17.2 ORGANISATIONAL SERVICES

17.2.18TH ASIA PACIFIC CITIES SUMMIT

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval for the Mayor to:

- 1. Attend the 8th Asia Pacific Cities Summit (APCS) in Kaohsiung Taiwan 9-11 September 2013;
- 2. Participate in the Lord Mayoral Mission to China in conjunction with the 8th Asia Pacific Cities Summit; and

Visit Redland City's Sister City Qinhuangdao City, China.

BACKGROUND

8th Asia Pacific Cities Summit

The 8th Asia Pacific Cities Summit (APCS) is to be held in the city of Kaohsiung Taiwan 9-11 September 2013. The APCS is a biennial event with the objective of promoting economic growth in the Asia Pacific region and beyond. It is a platform for attendees to communicate and exchange their viewpoints and knowledge regarding business growth, investment and economic outcomes. Lately the Summit has become a medium for global businesses to enter the growing Asia Pacific markets.

Since the Summit's inception in 1996 by the Brisbane City Council, the Asia Pacific Cities Summit has been recognized as one of the premier forums for fast-tracking international city networks and new business relationships for over 100 cities in the region. APCS is not only a leading platform for regional issues, but also a generator for market cooperation between local governments and business sectors. The biennial APCS is an important occasion for business leaders, government representatives, and young professionals, attracting over 1,000 delegates from more than 100 cities. The host city alternates between Brisbane and bidding international cities. The event has been held in Brisbane, Seattle USA, Chongqing China, and Incheon South Korea.

Lord Mayoral Mission

In conjunction with the Asia Pacific Cities Summit, the Lord Mayor of Brisbane Graham Quirk is leading a China Business Mission from the 3-13 September 2013 to Shenzhen, Chengdu, Chongqing and Kaohsiung (Asia-Pacific Cities Summit), to support the Council of Mayors South East Queensland (COMSEQ) companies conducting business in these regions. The purpose of the mission is to explore and generate business opportunities and seek investment for the greater Brisbane region.

Sister City Visit

Redland City Council has had a friendship agreement with Qinhuangdao City China since 2004, which was formally made into a Sister City relationship in 2009. The main purposes of a Sister City relationship are to foster economic development, education, culture and staff exchanges. The formal agreement to the relationship was based on the following:

"equality, respect, and a mutually beneficial basis, both parties agree to promote friendly associations between citizens of the two cities and support the exchange and cooperation in the areas of economy, business, education, culture, environmental management and tourism." (Extract from Qinhuangdao letter of Agreement August 2009).

After the 2012 Redland City Council election, Mayor Karen Williams wrote to the Mayor of Qinhuangdao and advised him that she looked forward to sharing common experiences and challenges as growing cities, and continuing the exchange of ideas and cultures as well as educational, tourism and investment opportunities.

ISSUES

8th Asia Pacific Cities Summit

Under the theme 'Reshaping the Urbanomics of Cities – City Challenges and City Solutions', the 2013 APCS will focus on business growth, trade, investment and economics for participating delegates and sponsors. Attendees will gain access to a wide range of international business and civic leaders and enjoy a diverse and entertaining program including tailor made business matching and speeches from internationally recognised leaders.

The two keynote speakers for the summit are:

- 1. Former Mayor of London Ken Livingston (named 'Politician of the Year' by the Political Studies Association); and
- 2. Cher Wang, co-founder and Chairman of HTC (ranked by Forbes Magazine as the most influential woman in wireless technology).

The main objectives for the summit are:

1. Expanding Economic Development Alliances Between Cities and Business Enterprises

A major objective of the Summit is the forging of strategic relationships between cities and enterprises in order to stimulate economic growth and create new business and trading opportunities.

2. Strengthen a Cooperative Alliance Network among Asia Pacific Cities

While promoting economic exchange, 2013 APCS emphasizes regional intercity cooperation. Closer collaboration between governments and non-governmental organizations (NGOs), constructs a new model of connectivity for inter-city exchange while producing real competitive advantage for the Asia Pacific and maximum benefit for the good of the entire region.

3. Up-scaling Citizen Participation and Promoting Maximum City Growth

2013 APCS Kaohsiung will be calling on the strength of volunteers to demonstrate the cohesiveness of its NGOs and the passion of its citizens to participate at international civic functions.

As an initiative of Brisbane City Council, the three-day Asia Pacific Cities Summit plays an important role in driving economic growth for Brisbane - South East Queensland, Australia and the wider Asia Pacific region. In recognition of this, the host city of Kaoshsiung has offered the Mayors of South East Queensland:

- 1. Complimentary full registration for the 2013 Asia Pacific Cities Summit;
- 2. Complimentary economy class return airfares;
- 3. Complimentary airport transfers; and
- 4. Complimentary hotel accommodation.

Redland City has been represented at the summit in 2005, 2007, 2009 and 2011.

Lord Mayoral Mission

This mission represents an opportunity for Redland City Council to participate in meetings with Senior Chinese Government Officials in market briefings, business meetings and networking events.

The aim of the mission is to explore and develop trade and investment opportunities for greater Brisbane businesses and generate investment opportunities from China into the greater Brisbane region. At present, China is now the world's second largest economy by Gross Domestic Product (GDP), however, it should be noted that in 1987 China was the world's 32nd largest economy. The adoption of the socialist market economy by China in 1978 has seen its GDP quadruple, with average annualised GDP growth rate of 9% over the last decade. China is now Queensland's number two merchandise trade partner, with trade valued at \$11.3 billion in 2012, up 2.9% on the previous year, with investment in Australia from China estimated at \$60.3 billion in 2010/11.

Traditionally Queensland has exported low value-added commodities to China, which has meant that Queensland has been a price-taker, rather than a price-maker in its trade relationship. In addition, as with the remainder of the country, Queensland has relied heavily on the import of goods from China that has resulted in a balance of trade deficit. In order to readdress this imbalance and also address the changing dynamics of the Chinese economy, it is necessary for Queensland and Australia to focus its export potential on high value-added goods and services where Australia has a competitive advantage with China. Both Trade and Investment Queensland and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) are now seeing the next phase of growth in China from Queensland coming from the following areas:

- 1. New, innovative products and services:
- 2. Green building products, technologies and services:
- 3. Infrastructure development—rail, port, water and clean and
- 4. Sustainable energy;
- 5. Mining technologies, services and equipment;
- 6. Professional services; and
- 7. Education and training.

As part of the greater Brisbane area, the Redlands has the opportunity to capitalise on the opportunities presented by these new export drivers, as the region has strong representation across these industry sectors.

As well as political representation from South East Queensland, the Lord Mayoral Mission will also consist of over 80 businesses from across these and other industry sectors, who will be targeting two-way business and investment opportunities for the region. This mission represents a unique opportunity for Redland City to benefit by meeting with Senior Chinese Government Officials and companies as part of the more internationally recognisable COMSEQ, to develop trade and investment links for both Redland City businesses and the broader City.

Sister City Visit

It is particularly opportune while in Asia for the Mayor to visit Redland City's Sister City Qinhuangdao City China. This will be the first visit by Mayor Karen Williams to continue to build this relationship and explore the potential for further economic growth between Redland City, Qinhuangdao City and surrounding regions.

In 2005 Mayor Don Seccombe combined his attendance at the 2005 Asia Pacific Cities Conference with further official visits in China. In 2009 Mayor Melva Hobson also combined her attendance at the 2009 Asia Pacific Cities Conference with an official visit to Qinhuangdao.

The economic benefits that can flow from nurturing the formalised Sister City relationship are broad ranging and can include:

- 1. Establishing business contacts;
- 2. Providing a gateway into new markets and product lines;
- 3. Enhancing the overseas reputation of individual firms and for the state as a whole;
- 4. Reducing transactions and search costs in business negotiations;
- 5. Attracting foreign students;
- 6. Facilitating knowledge and technology sharing and developing joint research programs; and
- 7. Increasing tourism.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Legislative Requirements

There are no legislative requirements associated with this report.

Risk Management

Opportunities

- Establishing business contacts;
- Providing a gateway into new markets and product lines;
- Enhancing the overseas reputation of individual firms and for the state as a whole;
- Reducing transactions and search costs in business negotiations;
- Attracting foreign students;
- Facilitating knowledge and technology sharing and developing joint research programs; and

Increasing tourism.

Risks

- Failure to attend, could result in lost trade and investment opportunities.
- Not visiting our Sister City when already in the region attending a Trade and Cities Summit, could be perceived as an insult in a nation in which cultural and social relationships are intertwined with economic ties.

Financial

The costs of attendance at the Summit are being funded by the host city. Costs associated with the Lord Mayoral Mission and visiting Redland's Sister City are still being determined. These costs will be funded out of the Mayor's 2013/2014 budget for conference attendance.

People

This visit is part of the role of the Mayor to represent the people of the Redlands and promote and source business opportunities for the Redlands.

Environmental

There are no environmental issues associated with this report.

Social

The Mayors participation in the Lord Mayor's Business mission to mainland China, the Asia Pacific Cities Summit in Taiwan and the visit to visit Redland City's sister city Qinhuangdao in China has the potential to generate future social and cultural ties between Redland City and the two nations.

Alignment with Council's Policy and Plans

Relationship to Corporate Plan

The recommendation primarily supports Council's strategic priority of delivering, a supportive and vibrant economy. It will assist in achieving this by providing opportunity for business investment and the development of two-way trade.

CONSULTATION

In preparing this report consultation has occurred with the Principal Adviser Strategic Economic Development, Executive Office of the Mayor and Councillors, Economic Development Office for the Council of Mayors and the Office of the Lord Mayor for Brisbane.

OPTIONS

- 1. That Council resolve to approve an international visit in September 2013 by the Mayor to:
 - i. Attend the 8th Asia Pacific Cities Summit (APCS) in Kaohsiung Taiwan 9-11 September 2013;
 - ii. Participate in the Lord Mayoral Mission to China in conjunction with the 8th Asia Pacific Cities Summit; and
 - iii. Visit Redland City's sister city Qinhuangdao City China.

- 2. That Council resolve to approve an international visit in September 2013 by the Mayor to:
 - Attend the 8th Asia Pacific Cities Summit (APCS) in Kaohsiung Taiwan 9-11 September 2013; and
 - ii. Either participate in the Lord Mayoral Mission to China in conjunction with the 8th Asia Pacific Cities Summit, or visit Redland City's sister city Qinhuangdao City China.
- 3. That Council resolve not to approve an international visit in September 2013 by the Mayor.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION/ COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by: Cr C Ogilvie Seconded by: Cr P Gleeson

That Council resolve to approve an international visit in September 2013 by the Mayor to:

- 1. Attend the 8th Asia Pacific Cities Summit (APCS) in Kaohsiung Taiwan 9-11 September 2013;
- 2. Participate in the Lord Mayoral Mission to China in conjunction with the 8th Asia Pacific Cities Summit;
- 3. Visit Redland City's sister city Qinhuangdao City China; and
- 4. Conduct any other visits within the South East Asia region for the benefit of the Redlands, either immediately before or immediately after the visits to China and Taiwan.

18 URGENT BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE

MOTION TO ACCEPT ITEM OF URGENT BUSINESS

Moved by: Cr C Ogilvie Seconded by: Cr W Boglary

That permission be granted for Cr Ogilvie to bring forward the following item of Urgent Business.

CARRIED 11/0

18.1 PARKING AT 'ONE MILE' NORTH STRADBROKE ISLAND

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by: Cr C Ogilvie Seconded by: Cr P Bishop

That Council resolve to:

- 1. Urgently provide a solution to the 'One Mile' parking situation;
- 2. Communicate clearly with the Stradbroke Island community what Council considers to be the legal car parking places at 'One Mile'; and
- 3. Write to the State Government advocating for a Transport Strategy.

CARRIED 10/1

Cr Talty voted against the Council Resolution.

19 CLOSED SESSION

MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING AT 11.27AM

Moved by: Cr J Talty Seconded by: Cr A Beard

That the meeting be closed to the public pursuant to Section 275 (1) of the *Local Government (Operations) Regulation 2012*, to discuss the following item:

19.1 Urgent Business (Cr Gleeson) – Request for Independent Valuation.

The reason that this is applicable in this instance is as follows:

(h) other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial

CARRIED 11/0

MOTION TO ACCEPT ITEM OF URGENT BUSINESS

Moved by: Cr M Elliott Seconded by: Cr W Boglary

That permission be granted for Cr Gleeson to bring forward the following item of Urgent Business.

The Mayor, Cr Williams, left the meeting at 12.05pm and Deputy Mayor, Cr Beard, assumed the Chair.

MOTION TO REOPEN MEETING AT 12.07PM

Moved by: Cr J Talty Seconded by: Cr P Gleeson

That the meeting be again opened to the public.

CARRIED 10/0

Cr Williams was not present when this motion was put.

19.1 REQUEST FOR INDEPENDENT VALUATION

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by: Cr P Gleeson Seconded by: Cr W Boglary

That Council resolve to seek an independent valuation for land situated at 54-58 Mt Cotton Road, Capalaba.

CARRIED 6/4

Crs Hewlett, Elliott, Beard and Bishop voted against the Council Resolution.

Cr Williams was not present when the motion was put.

20 MEETING CLOSURE

There bein	g no	further	business,	the	Deputy	Mayor	declared	the	meeting	closed	at
12.08pm.											

Signature of Chairperson:	
Confirmation date:	