

# MINUTES

# **GENERAL MEETING**

## Wednesday, 18 September 2013

The Council Chambers 35 Bloomfield Street CLEVELAND QLD

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#### 1 DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Deputy Mayor declared the meeting open at 10.31am and acknowledged the Quandamooka people, who are the traditional custodians of the land on which Council meets.

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

#### 2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

#### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cr A Beard (Chair)	Deputy Mayor & Councillor Division 8
Cr W Boglary	Councillor Division 1
Cr L Hewlett	Councillor Division 4
Cr M Edwards	Councillor Division 5
Cr J Talty	Councillor Division 6
Cr M Elliott	Councillor Division 7
Cr P Gleeson	Councillor Division 9
Cr P Bishop	Councillor Division 10
Cr K Williams	Mayor (teleconference) – left the meeting at 12.10pm

#### COUNCILLOR ABSENCES

Cr Williams left the meeting at 12.10pm (during closed session)

#### APOLOGIES

Cr C Ogilvie	Councillor Division 2
Cr K Hardman	Councillor Division 3

#### **EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP GROUP:**

Mr N Clarke	General Manager Organisational Services
Mrs L Rusan	General Manager Community & Customer Services
Mr B Salton	Acting General Manager Infrastructure & Operations
Mr G Holdway	Chief Financial Officer
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#### Mrs E Striplin

Corporate Meetings & Registers Officer

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

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

That Leave of Absence from today's General Meeting and Coordination Committee meeting be granted for Mayor Karen Williams who is attending the 8<sup>th</sup> Asia Pacific Cities Summit.

#### CARRIED 8/0

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

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

That permission be granted for Mayor Karen Williams to take part in the General and Coordination Committee meetings by teleconferencing in accordance with s.276 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

#### CARRIED 8/0

Crs Hardman and Ogilvie were absent from the meeting.

#### 3 DEVOTIONAL SEGMENT

No devotional segment was given.

#### 4 RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENT

#### 4.1 MR R F (JACK) FINNEY

Cr Bishop acknowledged the funeral and passing of a very elder statesman and pioneer of Thorneside and Redlands area, Ron Foster Finney (Jack Finney) who has now gone to be with his beloved Edna. They were very important members of the Redlands and Thorneside community and Jack was a very staunch advocate for young people, playing sport particularly, and thus the Jack and Edna Finney Reserve at the Mooroondu Sports-grounds. He was also a great advocate for the Thorneside Progress Association which was very important in the early development of a lot of civic things that happened around Thorneside and a very great help to the community through previous Councillor Helen Murray. Memories go to him and his family who are still very connected with the community.

Cr Beard went on to say that Mr Finney was indeed a very well loved member of the Thorneside and Redlands Community and he will be missed.

#### 4.2 SUCCESSFUL LOCAL BUSINESSES

Cr Julie Talty acknowledged the achievement of the following very successful Local Businesses:

- Darwalla is one of the oldest companies operating out of the Redlands. This year they have won a QLD Training award for their training of staff. This QLD Training Awards are the state's highest recognition of training, celebrating their 52<sup>nd</sup> year of awards. There was stiff competition Darwalla was one of over 600 companies that were nominated with their training programs and they were shortlisted to three companies and ultimately chosen as the State's Industry's Training Leader. This highlighted Darwalla's application of training through innovation and the integration of training and skills into the operations, design and development of the plant. A great achievement for Darwalla and as one of our significant local employers it's great they are doing so well in an area of training young people and new employees.
- Biomedical company 'Melcare" driven and run by local resident CEO Anthony Maloney. Melcare stems from an interest in Manuka Honey products, a new family cough medicine being just one of their products. It is wonderful to have a small family company who is taking Redlands out to the world, manufacturing locally as much as possible.

We should applaud the efforts of all local business and recognise when they are having such great achievements in the marketplace and taking the Redlands out to the market.

#### 5 RECEIPT AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#### 5.1 GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 4 SEPTEMBER 2013

Moved by:Cr P BishopSeconded by:Cr P Gleeson

That the Minutes of the General Meeting of Council held on 4 September 2013 be confirmed.

General Meeting Minutes 4 September 2013

#### CARRIED 9/0

Crs Hardman and Ogilvie were absent from the meeting.

#### 6 MATTERS OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The General Manager, Organisational Services 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. It is noted that this report will be presented to Council after the conduct of a workshop on the matter.

#### 7 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

#### MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING

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

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

CARRIED 9/0

Crs Hardman and Ogilvie were absent from the meeting.

- 1. Mr J Daffy, resident of Wellington Point, addressed Council on the proposed Teltra Tower MC012650 EGW Woods Sportsfield.
- 2. Mr G Wood, resident of Cleveland and commercial fisherman, addressed Council regarding a development assessment application for a Home Based Business.

#### MOTION TO EXTEND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SEGMENT

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

That the Public Participation segment be extended to allow further speakers.

CARRIED 9/0

Crs Hardman and Ogilvie were absent from the meeting.

- 3. Mr L Christophers, resident and ratepayer of Wellington Point, addressed Council regarding the view that dogs should have more freedom in Redland City.
- 4. Mr N Van Der Merwe, representing Telstra, addressed Council regarding communication towers, specifically Item 6.1.3 of Coordination Committee

#### MOTION TO RESUME MEETING

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

That the meeting proceedings resume.

CARRIED 9/0

Crs Hardman and Ogilvie were absent from the meeting.

#### 8 PETITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

#### 8.1 PETITION (CR BOGLARY – DIVISION 1) REQUEST THAT COUNCIL CHANGE THE CURRENT SPEED LIMIT ON FREETH STREET WEST

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

Moved by:Cr W BoglarySeconded by:Cr P Bishop

That Council resolve that the petition, which reads as follows, is of an operational nature and be received and referred to the Chief Executive Officer for consideration.

"That Council change the current speed limit in Freeth St West from 50kms to 40kms and also to implement traffic calmers at both ends of the street"

#### CARRIED 9/0

#### 8.2 PETITION (CR HARDMAN – DIVISION 3) REQUEST THAT COUNCIL RESCIND THE DOG OFF-LEASH TRIAL AT RABY BAY FORESHORE

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

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

That Council resolve that the petition, which reads as follows, is of an operational nature and be received and referred to the Chief Executive Officer for consideration.

"That Council rescind the dog off-leash trial at Raby Bay Foreshore Park, Cleveland and revert to the dog off-leash area back to the beach area only"

#### CARRIED 8/1

Cr Elliott voted against the resolution. Crs Hardman and Ogilvie were absent from the meeting.

#### 9 MOTION TO ALTER THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

#### 9.1 MOTION TO ACCEPT LATE ITEMS

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by:Cr M EdwardsSeconded by:Cr J Talty

That the following late item be received:

1. August 2013 Monthly Financial Reports, discussed as Item 17.1.1

CARRIED 9/0

Crs Hardman and Ogilvie were absent from the meeting.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

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

That the following late item be received:

1. Redland City Council – Cleveland CBD Revitalisation Special Committee Meetings, discussed as Item 17.2.1

#### CARRIED 9/0

Crs Hardman and Ogilvie were absent from the meeting.

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

Nil

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

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by:Cr M EdwardsSeconded by:Cr L Hewlett

That the meeting be adjourned at 11.16am to enable the conduct of the Coordination Committee meeting.

#### CARRIED 9/0

Crs Hardman and Ogilvie were absent from the meeting.

#### 12 MOTION TO RECONVENE GENERAL MEETING

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by:Cr M ElliottSeconded by:Cr L Hewlett

That the General Meeting be reconvened at 11.38am.

#### CARRIED 9/0

Crs Hardman and Ogilvie were absent from the meeting.

#### **13 ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT & RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### 13.1 COORDINATION COMMITTEE MEETING – 18 SEPTEMBER 2013

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by:Cr M EdwardsSeconded by:Cr W Boglary

That the Report and Recommendations of the Coordination Committee meeting held 18 September 2013 be adopted.

Coordination Committee Report 18 September 2013

#### CARRIED 9/0

Crs Hardman and Ogilvie were absent from the meeting.

#### 14 MAYORAL MINUTES

Nil

#### 15 NOTICES OF MOTION TO REPEAL OR AMEND RESOLUTIONS

Nil

#### 16 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

17 LATE ITEMS		
17.1 OFFICE OF CEO		
17.1.1 AUGUST 2013 MON	ITHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS	
Dataworks Filename:	FM Monthly Financial Reports to Committee	
Attachment:	Monthly Financial Performance Report August 2013	
Authorising Officer:	Bill Lyon Chief Executive Officer	
Responsible Officer:	Gavin Holdway Chief Financial Officer	
Author:	Rukmie Lutherus Tax and Treasury Accountant	

#### PURPOSE

The purpose is to present the August 2013 Monthly Financial Performance Report to Council and explain the content and analysis of the report. Section 204(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* requires the Chief Executive Officer of a local government to present statements of its accounts to the local government.

#### BACKGROUND

The Corporate Plan contains a strategic priority to support the organisation's capacity to deliver services to the community by building a skilled, motivated and continually learning workforce, ensuring assets and finances are well managed, corporate knowledge is captured and used to best advantage, and that services are marketed and communicated effectively.

Council recently conducted a carryover review, analysing the capital projects that straddled across the two financial years. The budget has been updated by a Council resolution and included in this period, explaining the difference between the original and revised budget for 2013/2014.

#### ISSUES

#### Interim Opening Balances

Certification of Council's 2012/2013 annual financial statements are subject to the review and audit of The Queensland Audit Office (QAO) in September, October and November 2013. Until last year's statements are finalised and certified, the opening balances on the 2013/2014 Statement of Financial Position are subject to change, as per previous years. Council is working very closely with QAO auditors to ensure the 2012/2013 statements are completed and certified as efficiently as possible. Of particular note, due to the implications of the returning water operations and the required consistency between the annual financial statements of Gold Cost City Council, Logan City Council and Redland City Council with respect to the accounting

treatments; the 2013/2014 opening balances may be subject to change until November 2013's monthly financial reports.

#### STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Council annually adopts key financial stability and sustainability ratios as part of its annual operation plan and budget.

The following adopted 2013/2014 Key Financial Stability and Sustainability Ratios were either achieved or favourably exceeded by Council as at the end of August 2013, noting the opening balances on the Statement of Financial Position are prior to the end of year accounts finalisation:

- Ability to pay our bills current ratio;
- Ability to repay our debt debt servicing ratio;
- Cash balance;
- Cash balances cash capacity in months (favourably exceeded);
- Longer term financial stability debt to asset ratio;
- Net financial liabilities;
- Interest cover ratio;
- Asset consumption ratio;
- Operating performance; and
- Operating surplus ratio.

Of note, Council's second quarter rates notices were due for payment during August 2013 which partially explains the high cash balances and cash associated favourable ratios.

The following ratios were outside the target range:

• Level of dependence on general rate revenue.

This is due to the rating cycle and is expected to average out to be within the target towards June 2014.

#### Legislative Requirements

Section 204(2) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 requires the Chief Executive Officer to present the financial report to a monthly meeting. The August 2013 financials are presented in accordance with the legislative requirement although movement on the opening balances in the Statement of Financial Position is anticipated to change over the coming weeks as the organisation finalises the 2012/2013 accounts in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards.

#### Risk Management

August 2013 revenues and expenditures have been noted by the Executive Leadership Group and relevant officers who can provide further clarification and advise around actual to budget variances.

The August 2013 financial reports provide an early indication of financial outcomes and as the first quarter progresses, trends will start to emerge whereby officers can provide further clarification and advice around actual to budget variances. The 2013/2014 first quarter budget review will look to address any issues around these variances. The budget presented in the attached report includes the recently adopted carryover budget review position which identified approximately \$6.6M of capital works to be carried over from 2012/2013.

#### Financial

There are no direct financial impacts to Council resulting from this report; however it provides an indication of financial outcomes at the end of August 2013.

#### People

Nil impact expected as the purpose of the attached report is to provide financial information to Council based upon actual versus budgeted financial activity.

#### Environmental

Nil impact expected as the purpose of the attached report is to provide financial information to Council based upon actual versus budgeted financial activity.

#### Social

Nil impact expected as the purpose of the attached report is to provide financial information to Council based upon actual versus budgeted financial activity.

#### Alignment with Council's Policy and Plans

This report has a relationship with the following items of the Corporate Plan:

#### 8. Inclusive and ethical governance

Deep engagement, quality leadership at all levels, transparent and accountable democratic processes and a spirit of partnership between the community and Council will enrich residents' participation in local decision making to achieve the community's Redlands 2030 vision and goals

8.7 Ensure Council resource allocation is sustainable and delivers on Council and community priorities; and

8.8 Provide clear information to citizens about how rates, fees and charges are set and how Council intends to finance the delivery of the Community Plan and Corporate Plan.

#### CONSULTATION

Consultation has taken place amongst Council departmental officers, Financial Services Group Officers and the Executive Leadership Group.

#### OPTIONS

- 1. That Council resolve to note the End of Month Financial Reports for August 2013 and explanations as presented in the attached Monthly Financial Performance Report.
- 2. That Council request additional information.

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION/ COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by:Cr M ElliottSeconded by:Cr P Gleeson

That Council resolve to note the End of Month Financial Reports for August 2013 and explanations as presented in the attached Monthly Financial Performance Report.

#### CARRIED 9/0

#### **17.2 ORGANISATIONAL SERVICES**

#### 17.2.1 REDLAND CITY COUNCIL - CLEVELAND CBD REVITALISATION SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Dataworks Filename:

RCC - Cleveland CBD Revitalisation Special Committee Meetings

Authorising/Responsible Officer:

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Nick Clarke General Manager Organisational Services

Author:

Peter Kelley Project Director Priority Developments

#### PURPOSE

### Proposed cancellation of Cleveland CBD Revitalisation Special Committee meetings

The next meeting scheduled for the Cleveland CBD Revitalisation Special Committee is on Thursday 10 October 2013 from 9.00am - 1.00pm. At this stage however, there are currently no reports scheduled to be taken up to the Committee and as such it is recommended that the meetings scheduled for October and December the 5<sup>th</sup>, be rescheduled for November.

#### BACKGROUND

As part of the Committee's work plan, there are some items being prepared for the Committee that can be presented to a November Committee Meeting. At present Jones Lang La Salle are in the process of undertaking phases three and four of the Cleveland Investment Attraction Strategy which will conduct feasibility analysis on the activation of a number of catalyst sites in the Cleveland CBD identified in the Master Plan. These analyses will identify what is feasible at various CBD sites based on meetings that Jones Lang La Salle has conducted with developers and investors who are interested in Cleveland.

In addition to this Jones Lang La Salle are also in the process of finalising their Council Accommodation Strategy that is examining Council staff accommodation requirements moving forward. This strategy will provide Council with advice on various options available to Council based on their staff accommodation needs, along with costs associated with the options using a net present value capital budgeting method. The idea behind this strategy is to provide Council with a decision making tool that can be used to analyse the various delivery options available to Council should it decide to relocate and consolidate its various staff accommodation facilities. This strategy will provide high level detail on the various options and how Council should proceed, if it decides to proceed with the recommendations contained within the strategy.

The proposed November Committee meeting would also provide an opportunity for Committee members (and other interested Councillors) to be updated on the Committee's work plan and the various action items associated with it. An update will also be provided from IT regarding the capital and maintenance costs associated with providing Wi-Fi in the CBD, with two quotes being received from providers if this service.

It is now proposed that in order for Committee members to use their time more effectively for the next committee meeting, that the October and December Committee meetings be cancelled and consolidated into a November date, at this stage proposed for 7 November.

#### ISSUES

It is proposed that the following meeting dates of the Cleveland CBD Revitalisation Special Committee be cancelled:

Thursday 10 October 2013 from 9.00am-1.00pm

Thursday 5 December 2013 from 9.00am-1.00pm

#### Proposed Alternative Date

It is proposed that a new meeting date for the Cleveland CBD Revitalisation Special Committee is scheduled for:

Thursday 7 November 2013 from 9.00am-1.00pm

#### STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

#### Legislative Requirements

Not applicable.

#### **Risk Management**

Not applicable.

#### Financial

Not applicable.

#### People

Not applicable.

#### Environmental

Not applicable.

Social Not applicable.

#### Alignment with Council's Policy and Plans

Not applicable.

#### CONSULTATION

The people consulted in the preparation of the report include:

General Manager Organisational Services

#### OPTIONS

- 1. Amend the dates of the meeting of the Cleveland CBD Revitalisation Special Committee as recommended i.e. cancel the meetings on 10 October and 5 December 2013 and create a new meeting on 7 November 2013.
- 2. Amend the dates of these meetings to another date.
- 3. Retain the scheduled meeting dates

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION/ COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by:Cr M EdwardsSeconded by:Cr P Bishop

That Council resolve to:

- 1. Cancel the following meetings of the Cleveland CBD Revitalisation Special Committee:
  - a) Thursday 10 October 2013 from 9.00am-1.00pm;
  - b) Thursday 5 December 2013 from 9.00am-1.00pm; and
- 2. Replace these two meetings with a meeting on Thursday 7 November 2013 from 9.00am-1.00pm.

#### CARRIED 9/0

#### 18 CLOSED SESSION – URGENT BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE

#### MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING AT 11.48am

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

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:

#### 18.1.1 Urgent Business (Cr Gleeson) - Land Acquisition

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

"(e) contracts proposed to be made by it"

CARRIED 9/0

Crs Hardman and Ogilvie were absent from the meeting.

#### MOTION TO ACCEPT ITEM OF URGENT BUSINESS

Moved by: Cr P Gleeson Seconded by: Cr P Bishop

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

#### CARRIED 9/0

Crs Hardman and Ogilvie were absent from the meeting.

#### MOTION TO REOPEN MEETING AT

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

That the meeting be again opened to the public.

CARRIED 9/0

#### **18.1.1 LAND ACQUISITION**

#### **PROPOSED MOTION**

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

That Council resolve to:

- 1. Approve the acquisition of the subject land to a maximum value as discussed in confidential session; and
- 2. Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer under section 257(1)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009* to proceed with the acquisition of the property as determined in confidential session.

#### AMENDMENT MOTION

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

That Cr Gleeson's proposed motion be amended to read: "That Council resolve to delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer under section 257(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 2009 to proceed with the acquisition of the property as determined in confidential session, and in accordance with the report from Crane & Company Valuers, dated 22 August 2013, using that report's residual value for the land."

#### CARRIED 5/3

Crs Elliott, Bishop and Hewlett voted against the amendment motion. Crs Hardman, Ogilvie were absent from the meeting. Cr Williams was not present when the motion was put.

The motion was put as follows.

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

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

That Council resolve to delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer under section 257(1)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009* to proceed with the acquisition of the property as determined in confidential session, and in accordance with the report from Crane & Company Valuers, dated 22 August 2013, using that report's residual value for the land.

#### CARRIED 5/3

Crs Bishop, Elliott and Hewlett voted against the resolution. Crs Hardman, Ogilvie were absent from the meeting. Cr Williams was not present when the motion was put.

#### **19 MEETING CLOSURE**

There being no further business, the Deputy Mayor declared the meeting closed at 12.40pm.

Signature of Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_

Confirmation date: