

Minutes

Ordinary Council Meeting

Camden Council
Administration Centre
70 Central Avenue
Oran Park

9 May 2023



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MEETING COMMENCED AT 6.30PM**PRESENT****In person:**

Cr A Cagney
Cr C Cagney
Cr Fedeli
Cr Farrow
Cr McLean
Cr Zammit

Remote:

Cr Campbell
Cr Dommaraju

STAFF

General Manager
Director Customer and Corporate Strategy
Director Planning and Environment
Director Community Assets
Acting Director Sport, Community and Activation
Chief Financial Officer
Manager Legal & Governance
Manager Statutory Planning
Manager Strategic Planning
Manager Environment and Regulatory Services
Manager Open Space and Sustainability
Acting Manager Public Affairs
Manager Economic Development and Activation
Manager Sport and Recreation
Manager Community Outcomes
Coordinator Contributions Planning
Senior Media and Communications Advisor
Senior Governance Officer
Governance Officer
Assistant Governance Officer

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Motion: Moved Councillor A Cagney, Seconded Councillor Zammit that Councillor Symkowiak be granted leave of absence.

ORD56/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

APPROVAL TO ATTEND BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK

Motion: Moved Councillor Zammit, Seconded Councillor McLean that the requests from Councillor Campbell and Councillor Dommaraju to attend and participate in this meeting by audio-visual link be approved.

ORD57/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations to be noted.

PUBLIC ADDRESS

Mr Mick Owens on behalf of Greenfields Development Company addressed Council in relation to ORD02 Oran Park Town Centre – Draft Development Control Plan (Pre Public Exhibition).

Motion: Moved Councillor Farrow, Seconded Councillor C Cagney that the public address be noted.

ORD58/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Motion: Moved Councillor Zammit, Seconded Councillor C Cagney that the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 11 April 2023, copies of which have been circulated, be confirmed and adopted.

ORD59/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

MAYORAL MINUTE - EMERGENCY SERVICES LEVY

Motion: Moved Councillor McLean, Seconded Councillor Zammit that Council:

- i. call on the Treasurer, the Minister for Emergency Services, the Minister for Local Government, and local State Members to take immediate action to:
 - (a) restore the Emergency Services Levy subsidy;
 - (b) decouple the Emergency Services Levy from the rate peg to enable councils to recover the full cost; and
 - (c) develop a fairer, more transparent and financially sustainable method of funding critically important emergency services.
- ii. write to the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal advising of the financial sustainability impact of the increase in the Emergency Services Levy.

ORD60/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

MAYORAL MINUTE - THANK YOU

Motion: Moved Councillor Fedeli, Seconded Councillor Farrowi that Council note the information.

ORD61/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

ORD01 ELECTION OF MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR

Councillor Therese Fedeli vacated the Chair for the election of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor and the General Manager, as the Returning Officer, assumed the role of the Chairperson, the time being 6.48pm.

The General Manager, as Returning Officer, stated that two valid nominations had been received for the position of Mayor, being Councillor A Cagney and Councillor McLean, and as such the method of voting needed to be determined.

Motion: Moved Councillor A Cagney, Seconded Councillor Fedeli that Council:

- i. determine the method of voting as open voting by way show of hands; and
- ii. hold an election for the office of Mayor at the Council Meeting of 9 May 2023 under the supervision of the General Manager as returning officer; and
- iii. once the election result is known the General Manager be authorised to declare the candidate with the majority vote the duly elected Mayor for the remaining four months of the original term, until September 2023.

ORD62/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

The General Manager conducted the Mayoral election and Councillors voted by way of show of hands.

The General Manager stated that Councillor A Cagney had received six votes and Councillor McLean had received two votes.

The General Manager declared Councillor A Cagney to be the duly elected Mayor for the remaining four months of the original term, until September 2023.

The General Manager, as Returning Officer, stated that two valid nominations had been received for the position of Deputy Mayor, being Councillor Campbell and Councillor Fedeli, and as such the method of voting needed to be determined.

Motion: Moved Councillor McLean, Seconded Councillor Zammit that Council:

- i. determine the method of voting as open voting by way show of hands; and
- ii. hold an election for the office of Deputy Mayor at the Council Meeting of 9 May 2023 under the supervision of the General Manager as returning officer; and
- iii. once the election result is known the General Manager be authorised to declare the candidate with the majority vote the duly elected Deputy Mayor for the remaining four months of the original term, until September 2023.

ORD63/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

The General Manager conducted the Deputy Mayoral election and Councillors voted by way of show of hands.

The General Manager stated that Councillor Fedeli had received six votes and Councillor Campbell had received two votes.

The General Manager declared Councillor Fedeli to be the duly elected Deputy Mayor for the remaining four months of the original term, until September 2023.

CHAIR OF MEETING

The Mayor, Councillor A Cagney, assumed the role of the Chairperson for the remainder of the Meeting, the time being 6.53pm.

ORD02 ORAN PARK TOWN CENTRE - DRAFT DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN (PRE PUBLIC EXHIBITION)

Motion: Moved Councillor C Cagney, Seconded Councillor Zammit that Council:

- i. endorse the draft amendments to the Oran Park DCP, Part B1 for the purpose of public exhibition;
- ii. exhibit the draft amendments to the Oran Park DCP in accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* and the *Regulations*;
- iii. notify the NSW Department of Planning and Environment of the exhibition of the draft Oran Park DCP in accordance with the amended delegations issued by the Secretary of the Department of Planning and Environment on 19 January 2015;
- iv. at the conclusion of the public exhibition period:
 - a. if there are no unresolved submissions, grant delegation to the General Manager to adopt the DCP amendments; and
 - b. publicly notify the adoption of the DCP in accordance with the provisions of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* and the *Regulations*; or
 - c. if unresolved submissions are received, consider a further report to Council that outlines the results of the public exhibition for Council's consideration.

ORD64/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

ORD03 MARCH REVIEW OF THE 2022/23 BUDGET

Motion: Moved Councillor C Cagney, Seconded Councillor Fedeli that Council:

- i. adopt the budget variations (including reserve transfers) contained within this report;
- ii. approve the proposed expenditure revotes and works in progress program totalling \$20,005,826 as identified within Attachment 2 to this report and the inclusion of these projects in the 2023/24 Budget.
- iii. approve the transfer of \$3.3 million in loan borrowings from the 2022/23 Budget to the 2023/24 Budget for the COVID Community Support Package (Stage 3), subject to the adoption of the 2023/24 Operational Plan and Budget.

ORD65/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

ORD04 ABORIGINAL PROTOCOLS POLICY - REVISED

Motion: Moved Councillor McLean, Seconded Councillor Fedeli that Council adopt the revised Aboriginal Protocols Policy as attached to this report.

ORD66/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

ORD05 INVESTMENT MONIES - MARCH 2023

Motion: Moved Councillor Zammit, Seconded Councillor Fedeli that Council:

- i. note that the Responsible Accounting Officer has certified that all investments held by Council have been made in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*, Regulations, and Council's Investment Policy;
- ii. note the list of investments for March 2023; and
- iii. note the weighted average interest rate return of 3.82% p.a. for the month of March 2023.

ORD67/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

ORD06 ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING - HERITAGE NSW

Motion: Moved Councillor C Cagney, Seconded Councillor Zammit that Council:

- i. accept grant funding of \$25,000 (excl. GST) through the Heritage NSW 2023-2025 Local Government Heritage Grants Program and that the funds be allocated to the 2023/2024 Budget;
- ii. write to The Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC, Minister for Heritage, thanking her for the grant; and
- iii. write to Mrs Sally Quinnell MP, Member for Camden, thanking her for her support.

ORD68/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

ORD07 ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDING - RIPARIAN RESTORATION AT ELIZABETH MACARTHUR RESERVE

Motion: Moved Councillor Fedeli, Seconded Councillor McLean that Council accept funding of \$25,000 (excl. GST) from Downer BMD Joint Venture to undertake riparian restoration at Elizabeth Macarthur Reserve and that the funds be allocated to the 2022/23 Budget.

ORD69/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

ORD08 MACARIA GALLERY LTD - BOARD APPOINTMENT

Motion: Moved Councillor Zammit, Seconded Councillor McLean that Council:

- i. appoint Mr Adam Tegel as Director on the board of Macaria Gallery Ltd, subject to, and from the date of, the resignation of Mr Max Tegel as Director; and
- ii. on receipt of Mr Max Tegel's resignation, write to thank him for his contribution to Macaria Gallery Ltd.

ORD70/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

ORD09 COUNCIL MEETING DATE CHANGE

Motion: Moved Councillor Fedeli, Seconded Councillor C Cagney that Council vary the scheduled date of its Ordinary Meeting in June 2023 from 13 June 2023 to 20 June 2023.

ORD71/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

ORD10 PROVISION OF EXPENSES AND FACILITIES TO COUNCILLORS

Motion: Moved Councillor C Cagney, Seconded Councillor Fedeli that Council note the information in this report in relation to the provision of expenses and facilities to Councillors for the period of 1 July 2022 to 31 December 2022.

ORD72/23 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

Councillors A Cagney, C Cagney, Campbell, Dommaraju, Farrow, Fedeli, McLean and Zammit voted in favour of the Motion.

No Councillors voted against the Motion.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.08PM

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