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## **COFFS HARBOUR CITY COUNCIL**

### **ORDINARY MEETING (CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE)**

#### **COUNCIL CHAMBER COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING COFF AND CASTLE STREETS, COFFS HARBOUR**

**18 NOVEMBER 2004**

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**COFFS HARBOUR CITY COUNCIL**

**ORDINARY MEETING**

**(CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE)**

**18 NOVEMBER 2004**

Present: Councillors K Rhoades (Mayor), D Featherstone, I Hogbin, R McKelvey, I Ovens, W Palmer, and G Smithers.

Staff: General Manager, Director of City Services, Director of Planning, Environment & Development, Director of Corporate Services, Director of City Business Units and Executive Assistant

The meeting commenced at 5.40pm with the Mayor, Cr K Rhoades in the chair.

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**APOLOGY**

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- 200** **RESOLVED** (Palmer/Hogbin) that apologies received from Cr J Bonfield and Cr C Joass for absence be received and leave be granted for the current meeting of Council.

The Mayor requested a motion to adjourn the Ordinary meeting and resolve into the City Services Committee meeting.

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**CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

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- 201** **RESOLVED** (Smithers/Palmer) that the Ordinary Meeting of Council be adjourned and Council now resolve into the City Services Committee meeting, the time being 5.41pm.

The Mayor invited Councillor Palmer to chair the City Services Committee meeting.

## **CITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

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### **S59 TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 8/2004**

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To confirm minutes from the Traffic Committee meeting held on 4 November 2004.

#### **EN67 RECOMMENDED** (Hogbin/Smithers):

##### T.80 – First Avenue, Sawtell - Double Unbroken Lines (501520)

That double unbroken centre lines be installed in First Avenue, Sawtell, from Twentieth Avenue to a point 30m south of Fourth Avenue, as per Plan T.80.

##### T.81 – First Avenue, Sawtell - Pedestrian Refuges (501520 [927771])

That the amended design plan for pedestrian refuges and associated ramps in First Avenue, Sawtell, at the intersection of Twentieth Avenue, be approved, as per Plan T.81.

##### T.82 – Boronia Street, Sawtell - Traffic Calming (501140 [381987])

That installation of traffic calming devices in Boronia Street (East), Sawtell, be approved in principal as per Plan T.82, subject to the following:

- (a) Consultation be undertaken with the relevant stakeholders, including the bus companies.
- (b) Consultation with the affected residents, particularly in regard to increased noise.

##### T.83 – Lyons Road, Sawtell – Pedestrian Refuge (500170)

That the design plan for a proposed pedestrian refuge in Lyons Road, Sawtell, south of Chinaman's Creek, be approved, as per Plan T.83.

##### T.84 – Park Avenue, Coffs Harbour - Parking zones (505670)

That the existing Taxi Rank in Park Avenue, Coffs Harbour, be replaced with '15 minute' parking restriction, as per Plan T.84.

##### T.86 – Cnr Harbour Drive/Gordon Street, Coffs Harbour - Parking Zones (Harbour Drive / [1010043])

That the 'nose in' disabled parking bay in Harbour Drive, Coffs Harbour, adjacent the ANZ Bank, be replaced with parallel parking, as per Plan T.86.

T.87 – Gaudrons Road, Sapphire - Linemarking (R.506500 [1001915])

That linemarking be installed at the intersection of Gaudrons Road and the Pacific Highway, Sapphire, as per Plan T.87.

T.88 – Hoys Road, Moonee Beach - B-Double Access (R.506810 [778778])

That Council approved the gazettal of Hoys Road, Moonee Beach, for B-Double access between the hours of 4.00pm-5.00pm Friday and 4.30pm-5.30pm Sunday.

T.89 – First Avenue, Sawtell - Temporary Road Closure (R.501520 / 1618 [1010377])

That :

- (a) the temporary road closure of First Avenue, Sawtell , between Boronia Street and Second Avenue, from 6.30am to 11.00am on Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> January 2005, for the purpose of conducting the street parade associated with the Sawtell Super Fun Day, be advertised and providing no substantive objections are received, the closure be approved.
- (b) the organisers of the Fun Day liaise with affected traders and obtain traders approval.
- (c) the organisers be responsible for erection of traffic barriers and control of traffic using accredited traffic controllers.
- (d) the organisers be responsible for all costs associated with the temporary closure and clean up, including advertising.

T.90 – Harbour Drive, Coffs Harbour - Temporary Road Closure (Harbour Drive 1618)

That :

- (a) the temporary road closure of Harbour Drive, Coffs Harbour , between Pacific Highway and Gordon Street, from 7.00am to 2.00pm on Saturday, 4 December 2004, for the purpose of welcoming Santa to the City Centre, be advertised and providing no substantive objections are received, the closure be approved.
- (b) the organisers, Streets Ahead, liaise with affected traders and obtain traders approval.
- (c) the organisers be responsible for erection of traffic barriers and control of traffic using accredited traffic controllers.
- (d) the organisers be responsible for all costs associated with the temporary closure and clean up, including advertising.

T.91 – Jordan Esplanade, Coffs Harbour - Temporary Road Closure (506100 / 1618)

That :

- (a) the temporary road closure of Jordan Esplanade, Coffs Harbour, between Marina Drive and carpark entry to Jetty, from 6.00pm on Friday, 31 December 2004 to 6.00am on Saturday, 1 January 2005, for the purpose of holding New Years Eve celebrations, be advertised and providing no substantive objections are received, the closure be approved.
- (b) the organisers, March's Amusements, liaise with affected traders and obtain traders approval.
- (c) the organisers be responsible for erection of traffic barriers and control of traffic using accredited traffic controllers.
- (d) the organisers be responsible for all costs associated with the temporary closure and clean up, including advertising.

T.92 – Lyons Road, Sawtell - Intersection with North Bonville DCP (R.500170 / North Bonville DCP)

That plans for new intersections on Lyons Road for North Bonville DCP, be approved, as per Plan. T.92

T.85 – Orlando Street, Coffs Harbour - Parking Zones (R.504030 / [999843])

- EN68 RECOMMENDED** (Hogbin/Ovens) that a report be brought back to the next meeting of Council on the installation of '2 hour' parking restrictions in the Orlando Street, Mildura Street and Collingwood Street area of Coffs Harbour.

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**S60 HOGBIN DRIVE - AVIATION DRIVE INTERSECTION**

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To report on options available for improvements to peak traffic flows at the Hogbin Drive/Aviation Drive intersection.

- EN69 RECOMMENDED** (McKelvey/Smithers) that reconstruction of the Hogbin Drive/Aviation Drive intersection be listed for consideration in future Regional Road Repairs Programs at the time of the next review.

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## **S61 WORKS BRANCH REPORT**

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To advise Council of the progress of construction and maintenance programs undertaken by Works Branch up to 31 October, 2004 and to provide an update on the emergency response to the Declared Natural Disaster of 20 October 2004.

**EN70 RECOMMENDED** (Hogbin/McKelvey) that:

1. Council notes the progress report on construction and maintenance works undertaken by Works Branch up to 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2004.
2. Council notes that individual program expenditures are being monitored to ensure that the total program costs for 2004/2005 will be contained within the approved budget.

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## **CONCLUSION OF MEETING**

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The Chairman advised that the business of the City Services Committee was concluded and invited the Mayor to resume the chair.

The Mayor resumed chairmanship of the meeting at 6.00pm.

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## **OPEN COUNCIL**

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The Mayor requested a motion to close the Committee meeting and move into Open Council.

**EN71 RECOMMENDED** (Hogbin/McKelvey) that the Committee now move into Open Council.

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## **ADOPTION OF CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT**

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**202 RESOLVED** (Ovens/Hogbin) that the recommendations of the City Services Committee meeting be received and adopted.

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## QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

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### 1. Western Bypass of Coffs Harbour and Woolgoolga

Councillor Hogbin raised the matter of the Roads and Traffic Authority's request that Council withhold approval for buildings and subdivision in areas that may be affected by a RTA preferred deviation of Coffs Harbour. Cr Hogbin pointed out that any route chosen by the RTA is contrary to Council's preferred option and it is recognised that delaying approvals could disadvantage ratepayers, whilst possibly benefiting the RTA. Cr Hogbin questioned why Council has agreed to the RTA request, considering that in recent times Council has been approving such matters.

The General Manager advised that as a result of approval of the DCPs for West Woolgoolga and West Coffs Harbour, development applications have been received for housing and subdivision and the RTA has requested Council defer consideration of those applications until the highway deviation issue is resolved. The General Manager advised that Council has been writing to the RTA on a fortnightly basis seeking a clearer delineation of the route and also requesting a clearer focus on what applications they actually want Council to defer, which may alleviate some of the development applications that are currently being held back.

Councillor Hogbin questioned what assurance Council had that the RTA would cover Council for costs that may arise from any Land and Environment Court rulings which maybe awarded in favour of, and costs awarded to, the applicant as a result of Council agreeing the RTA's request to defer development.

The General Manager advised that no assurance had been received from the RTA at this stage but the matter would be put to the RTA, however the fact that we have had a Value Management Study which has more clearly defined the route indicates that the RTA is now saying a decision is imminent. If no decision is forthcoming from the RTA, Council may well have to take the commercial risk, so based on the value judgement of the exercise and the merits of the case.

Councillor Hogbin requested that the General Manager consider the adequacy of legal advice received bearing mind the limitations surrounding that advice in light of the fact Council may have to bear the costs.

The General Manager advised that Council has received another legal advice which would be reviewed and passed on to Council's lawyers.

### 2. Use of B-doubles on Newcastle Drive, Toormina

Councillor Ovens questioned whether B-doubles have access to Newcastle Drive industrial estate at Toormina and if not, whether access could be considered on a contained basis, similar to Hi-Tech Drive.

The General Manager advised that Newcastle Drive does not currently have access by B-doubles but he would take the matter on notice to see what the implications are.

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## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

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### **1. Effluent Reuse**

Councillor Smithers requested a briefing of effluent re-use strategy in terms of costs, achievements and future directions.

The General Manager took the matter on notice.

### **2. Open Space Land - Topaz Drive, Emerald Heights**

Councillor Featherstone advised that he had received a letter regarding 1-2ha of Open Space 6A zoned land in Topaz Drive, Emerald Heights and questioned whether the land could be developed as public recreation for use by children, with funds from Section 94 contributions.

The Director of City Business Units advised that the land is a natural regeneration area and has been set aside for bush regeneration, not for recreation purposes. The General Manager to take the matter on notice and liaise with Councillor Featherstone.

### **3. Meetings attended by Councillors**

Councillor Palmer gave a brief report on a sustainability meeting that he had attended prior to the Armidale LGA conference where such issues as overuse of natural resources, climate change, community involvement in waste decisions, transport accessibility and traffic impacts were raised .

Councillor Ovens advised that he had attended the Australian Airport Owners Association meeting last week and gave a brief outline of the outcomes.

### **4. Use of Council Plant**

Councillor Featherstone requested a report be brought back on a matter he raised at the meeting on 21 October 2004 regarding revotes and how Council would overcome the backlog of work when the plant that we have is already operating at 100% efficiency. Cr Featherstone requested the report to indicate a timeframe likely to achieve outstanding works.

The General Manager advised that a report would be brought back early in the New Year setting out resourcing requirements and the capability to deliver the program.



**5. Council Meeting Dates for December 2004/January 2005**

Councillor Smithers questioned what the meeting dates were scheduled for December 2004/January 2005.

The General Manager advised that the meetings in December would be as scheduled, that is, on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> December however a report would be presented to Council setting out the meeting dates for January 2005 but the first meeting for 2005 may be on 3 February.

This concluded the business and the meeting closed at 6.35 pm.

Confirmed: 2 December 2004.

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K D Rhoades  
Mayor