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COFFS HARBOUR CITY COUNCIL

ORDINARY MEETING (CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE)

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

17 MARCH 2005

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COFFS HARBOUR CITY COUNCIL

ORDINARY MEETING

(CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE)

17 MARCH 2005

Present: Councillors K Rhoades (Mayor), J Bonfield, 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 Unit, Design Manager, Works Manager and Executive Assistant

The meeting commenced at 6.35pm with the Mayor, Cr K Rhoades in the chair.

APOLOGY

- 33** **RESOLVED** (Hogbin/Palmer) that an apology received from Cr 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.

CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

- 34** **RESOLVED** (Smithers/Palmer) that the Ordinary Meeting of Council be adjourned and Council now resolve into the City Services Committee meeting, the time being 6.35pm.

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

CITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORTS

S13 WORKS BRANCH REPORT

To advise Council of the progress of construction and maintenance programs undertaken by Works Branch up to 28 February, 2005.

- EN10** **RECOMMENDED** (McKelvey/Smithers) that:
1. Council notes the progress report on construction and maintenance works undertaken by Works Branch up to 28 February 2005.
 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.
 3. Council approves the budget transfer of \$13,000 from the Footpath Construction program to the Pedestrian Access Mobility Plan program for the footpath works in Harbour Drive.

S14 TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 2/2005

To confirm minutes from the Traffic Committee held on 3 March 2005.

- EN11** **RECOMMENDED** (Rhoades/Hogbin):

T.8 – Harbour Drive, Coffs Harbour - Parking Restrictions (Harbour Drive)

That installation of '4 hour' parking restrictions in Harbour Drive, Coffs Harbour, adjacent Cavanbah Hall, be approved, as per Plan T.8.

Traffic Committee Meeting No. 2/2005 (cont'd)

T.9 – Gundagai Street/Frances Street, Coffs Harbour - Intersection Improvements (R.504710 / R.504540)

That the design plan for intersection improvements at intersection of Gundagai Street and Frances Street, Coffs Harbour, be approved as per Plan T.9.

T.10 – Ocean Parade, Coffs Harbour - Pedestrian Crossing (R.505540)

That the amended plan for traffic calming on Ocean Parade, Coffs Harbour, at the access road to Park Beach Caravan Park, be approved as per Plan T.10.

T.12 – Marcia Street/Pacific Highway, Coffs Harbour - Restricted Parking (R.505190 / R.511410)

That the 'No Stopping' area on the northern side of Marcia Street, Coffs Harbour, be extended as per Plan T.12.

T.13 – Gordon Street, Coffs Harbour - Parking (R.504620 [1050579])

That no action be taken to change the on-street parking to parallel parking in Gordon Street, Coffs Harbour, adjacent the Department of Community Services' building and the RTA Motor Registry.

T.14 – Park Avenue / Gordon Street / Vernon Street, Coffs Harbour - Temporary Road Closure - Anzac Day (505670 / 504620 / 504180 / 1618 [1074330])

That:-

1. The following temporary road closures associated with the Coffs Harbour Anzac March to be held on Monday, 25 April 2005, between the hours of 9.00am and 10:30am be advertised and providing no substantive objections are received, the temporary closures be approved.
 - ◆ Park Avenue (Earl Street to Gordon Street)
 - ◆ Gordon Street (Park Avenue to Vernon Street).
 - ◆ Vernon Street (Gordon Street to Pacific Highway).
2. A traffic control plan to be submitted for this event. This should include details of all traffic signs, barricades and traffic controllers required for this event.

Traffic Committee Meeting No. 2/2005 (cont'd)

T.15 – First/Second/Fourth Avenues, Sawtell - Temporary Road Closure - Anzac Day (501520 / 501480 / 501550 / 1618 [1079808])

That:-

1. The following temporary road closures associated with the Sawtell Anzac March to be held on Monday, 25 April 2005, between the hours of 10.00am and 11:30am be advertised and providing no substantive objections are received, the temporary closures be approved.
 - ♦ First Avenue (Second Avenue to Boronia Street)
 - ♦ Second Avenue (First Avenue to Fourth Avenue)
 - ♦ Fourth Avenue (Second Avenue to East Street).
2. A traffic control plan to be submitted for this event. This should include details of all traffic signs, barricades and traffic controllers required for this event.

T.17 – Construction Zone, Queen Street, Woolgoolga (R.508860)

That a 15m Construction Zone be approved in Queen Street, Woolgoolga (front No. 8) for the period 9 March to 19 May 2005 during construction of a Supermarket.

T.18 – Construction Zone, Coff Street, Coffs Harbour (R.504200)

That a Construction Zone be approved in Coff Street, Coffs Harbour, immediately west of Gordon Street, southern side, for three of the five marked parking spaces for a period of 14 weeks from 14 March 2005, during office refurbishments.

T.19 – Links Avenue, Korora - Speed Problems (R.508860)

That no action be taken to install traffic calming in Links Avenue, Coffs Harbour.

EN12 RECOMMENDED (Hogbin/Rhoades):

T.11 – Orlando Street, Coffs Harbour - Parking Restrictions (R.504030)

That the revised parking proposal for the eastern side of Orlando Street, Coffs Harbour, adjacent Ocean Gem development, be approved with the words Saturday and Sunday, as per Plan T.11.

Traffic Committee Meeting No. 2/2005 (cont'd)

EN13 RECOMMENDED (Hogbin/McKelvey):

T.16 – Harbour Drive / Curacoa Street, Coffs Harbour - Traffic Lights (Harbour Drive / R.504300)

That the RTA be requested to review the operation of the Harbour Drive/Curacoa Street traffic lights on Sunday, 6 March and report back to Council.

T.20 – Harbour Drive, Coffs Harbour - Parking Restrictions (Harbour Drive)

That '1/4 hour' parking be approved in Harbour Drive, Coffs Harbour, west of Gordon Street and east of the Pacific Highway, as per Plan T.20.

S15 MR120 - PREFERRED ROUTE ULONG TO MEGAN

To report to Council the outcome of the joint tour of Main Road 120 with Coffs Harbour and Bellingen Councils and consider the adoption of recommendations resulting from the tour.

EN14 RECOMMENDED (Rhoades/McKelvey) that

1. Council supports the main road classification for the Brooklana route.
2. Council develop strategies to progress the upgrade of the Cascade Route.
3. As a separate undertaking, Council pursue improvements to the unsealed section of the Brooklana route as opportunities arise.

CONCLUSION OF MEETING

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 6.50pm.

OPEN COUNCIL

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

- EN15 RECOMMENDED** (Hogbin/McKelvey) that the Committee now move into Open Council.

ADOPTION OF CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

- 35 RESOLVED** (McKelvey/Hogbin) that the recommendations of the City Services Committee meeting be received and adopted.

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

1. Workshop - Planning Issues

Councillor Palmer requested a one day workshop be organised on planning issues, specifically in the Park Beach area and to include a review of height restrictions.

The General Manager advised that he would set a date for the workshop.

2. Clarence Valley Council

Councillor Palmer requested that an invitation be extended to the new Clarence Valley Council to attend a "get to know you" function after they have a chance to settle in.

The General Manager took the matter on notice.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Signs - Split Solitary Island Road

Councillor Bonfield requested staff investigate whether the "private property" sign near the new development on Split Solitary Island Road was appropriate as there is a parking area maintained by Council which allows public access to the beach.

The General Manager took the matter on notice.

2. Poisoned Trees Sign - Sandy Beach

Councillor Featherstone asked if the General Manager could advise Council when the sign at Sandy Beach titled "Poisoned Trees - They're Dead Obvious" is likely to be removed given the fact that the vegetation behind the sign is now taller than the sign.

The General Manager to take pictures and provide an outline on the background of the matter to Councillors.

3. Thank you - Scott Burke

Councillor Palmer requested the General Manager pass on his thanks to Scott Burke from the IT Help Desk for his help with problems he was experiencing with his computer.

The General Manager to pass on Cr Palmer's thanks to Scott Burke.

4. Pedestrian and dog access between Sandy Beach and Heanes Lake

Councillor Featherstone asked the General Manager to seek advice from staff whether pedestrian access to the beach between Sandy Beach and Heanes Lake for dogs during periods of darkness could be obtained via the most northern access point to Sandy Beach and the signs changed to permit this access.

The General Manager took the matter on notice.

5. Sandy/Heanes Action Group

Cr Smithers advised that he attended a recent meeting with the Sandy/Heanes Action Group who have submitted a number of questions for Council to respond to. Cr Smithers questioned whether Council could respond to those questions and allow an extension of time in order that the Group could then make a response to Council's answers.

The General Manager took the matter on notice.

6. Socially Responsible Investment

Councillor Smithers questioned whether Council had a socially responsible investment strategy in place.

The Director of Corporate Services advised that Council has an investment strategy that complies with the requirements of the Local Government Department but was not developed as a socially responsible investment strategy

The General Manager advised that he would provide Cr Smithers with the strategy.

7. Highway Bypass

Councillor Smithers advised that he had attended a meeting with the combined lobby group regarding the RTA proposals for deviations where the following three requests were raised:

1. That Council study the economic cost to the City of those deviations
2. That Council lobby for a short term solution on the existing route
3. That Council lobby the State Opposition to give an undertaking to overturn the RTA decision, if elected.

The General Manager advised as follows:

1. In relation to the economic cost, Council is doing an evaluation of IS1 only in relation to North Boambee Valley which should be available shortly.
2. There is already a Council resolution that talks about the long and short term proposals for the Pacific Highway and Council is looking to meet with Minister Costa to put those propositions to the government, which involve 12 to 14 different points in terms of satisfying Council's position. Have written to the Minister but as yet no date has been set for the meeting.
3. Nothing has been done as yet with the Opposition

8. Death of Mr Neville Smith

Councillor Rhoades advised of the death of Mr Neville Smith and expressed appreciation of the work done by Mr Smith over the past 20 years. Cr Rhodes advised that the community and Council had lost a very hard working member of the sporting community

This concluded the business and the meeting closed at 7.10 pm.

Confirmed: 7 April 2005.

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K D Rhoades
Mayor