



**COFFS HARBOUR CITY COUNCIL**

**ORDINARY MEETING  
(CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE)**

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

**1 DECEMBER 2005**

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

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

The meeting commenced at 6.59pm with the Mayor, Cr K Rhoades in the chair.

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**CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

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**229** **RESOLVED** (Hogbin/Palmer) that the Ordinary Meeting of Council be adjourned and Council now resolve into the City Services Committee meeting, the time being 6.59pm.

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

## CITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORTS

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### S84 TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 9/2005

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To confirm minutes from the Traffic Committee Meeting held on 22 November 2005.

#### EN90 RECOMMENDED (Hogbin/Palmer) that:

##### T.52 – Pacific Highway, Boambee - 'No Standing' signs (R.511420 [1229717])

Council request Coffs Harbour Police to monitor the situation of the B-Double Trucks parking across the driveway of 586 Pacific Highway, Boambee, to gauge the severity of the problem.

##### T.53 – Mansbridge Drive / North Boambee Road, Boambee - Double Unbroken Lines (R.509790 [1231264])

No action be taken to install double unbroken centre lines at the Mansbridge Drive intersection with North Boambee Road, Boambee.

##### T.54 – Kathleen Drive, Upper Corindi - Blueberry Farms (1232863)

No action be taken to install double unbroken centre lines or a speed limit in Kathleen Drive, Upper Corindi, within the Blueberry Farms.

##### T.55 – Orara Way, Nana Glen - Concealed Driveways (P/N 510980 [1233123])

No action be taken to reduce the speed limit on Orara Way, Nana Glen, from a point approx. 200m north of McPhersons Road to the commencement of the 50km/h speed zone for Nana Glen village.

##### T.56 – North Bonville Road / Pacific Highway, Bonville - Merge lane (P/N 510980 [1233123])

That no action be taken to install a merge lane for south bound traffic on the Pacific Highway, Bonville, from the exit of North Bonville Road.

##### T.57 – Bray Street, Coffs Harbour (P/N 503240 [1240288])

No action be taken to install a sign "Right Lane must turn Right" in Bray Street, Coffs Harbour, leading to the Pacific Highway traffic lights.

##### T.58 – First Avenue, Sawtell - Temporary Road Closure - Sawtell Super Fun Day (R.501520 / 1618 [1244931])

That :

- (a) the temporary road closure of First Avenue, Sawtell , between Boronia Street and Second Avenue, from 6.30am to 11.00am on Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> January 2006, 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.

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- (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.59 – Grafton Street, Coffs Harbour - Disabled Parking Bay (R.504640 [1102897])

No action be taken to install a disabled parking bay outside the Department of Ageing, Disability & Home Care's new office situated at 72 Grafton Street, Coffs Harbour.

### T.60 – Orara Way, Coramba - Rugby League Sevens Tournament - Reduction in Speed Limit (R.510970)

The speed limit on Orara Way, Coramba, be reduced from 100km/h to 60km/h for 1km either side of the Coramba Sports Ground during the Orara Valley Axeman International Rugby League Seven's tournament to be conducted on 28 & 29 January 2006, subject to approval of a Traffic Management Plan.

### T.61 – Jordan Esplanade, Coffs Harbour - Temporary Road Closure (R.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 Saturday, 31 December 2005 to 6.00am on Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> January 2006, 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.

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## **S85 WORKS BRANCH REPORT**

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To advise Council of the progress of construction and maintenance programs undertaken by Works Branch up to 21<sup>st</sup> November 2005.

### **EN91 RECOMMENDED** (Hogbin/McKelvey) that Council:

1. Note the progress report on construction and maintenance works undertaken by Works Branch up to 21<sup>st</sup> November 2005.
2. Note the individual program expenditures are being monitored and are within the allocated 2005/2006 budgets.

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**S86 DRAFT SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN FOR 2006-2010**

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To present to Council the draft Social and Community Strategic Plan for 2006-2010 and seek Council's approval to place the draft plan on public display.

**RECOMMENDED** (McKelvey/Palmer) that:

Council approve the public exhibition of the draft Social and Community Strategic Plan 2006-2010 from 23 January 2006 to 24 February 2006.

**AMENDMENT:**

**EN92 MOVED:** Ovens / Palmer that Council approve the public exhibition of the draft Social and Community Strategic Plan 2006-2010 from 2 December 2005 to 24 February 2006.

The **AMENDMENT** on being put to the meeting was **CARRIED**. It then became the **MOTION** and on being put to the meeting was declared carried.

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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 7.00pm.

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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.

**EN93 RECOMMENDED** (Joass/Palmer) that the Committee now move into Open Council.

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**ADOPTION OF CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT**

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

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## MATTERS OF AN URGENT NATURE

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### 1. Moonee Beach Roadworks.

Cr Hogbin queried a document from Ryan Earthmoving which included a copy of a fax from the RTA indicating a certain position regarding the Moonee Beach property. Cr Hogbin queried if this email from the RTA has been superseded by a more up to date position.

*General Manager (Acting) advised that a number of discussions with the RTA had taken place over last few days to identify their position on the matter. Their position has been the same as Council in relation to safety and change in conditions. Council staff confirmed the RTA's position.*

### 2. Moonee Beach Shopping Centre Opening Schedule

Cr Hogbin queried the Condition of Consent - All Highway works must be complete prior to the opening of the new Moonee Beach development and the effect this will have on the lessees of the new centre.

*General Manager (Acting) advised that the Developer submitted a Section 96 application to vary the conditions, the Director of Planning and General Manager reviewed the details with the Developer and clearly stated:*

1. *they would not deal with the matter under delegated authority as it deserves the right of full Council consideration; and*
2. *there are considerable time frames, so unless the Developer withdraws the application it will have to, as a matter of course, be advertised and go through a process of consideration by Council, if there are submissions and other points put it will drag the timeline out. It was suggested to the developer that they consider withdrawing the application as the timelines for construction would be easier to meet rather than expecting a variation of a Section 96.*

*He also stated the issues raised at the meeting included that Hoys Road would not be completed.*

*Mayor Rhoades stated that Council is not responsible for the delay in opening the shopping centre. Delays have been caused by the developer not meeting the Conditions of Consent. Safety first for our community is most paramount.*

### **3. Potential for Freight to Fly Out of Coffs Harbour Airport.**

Cr Rhoades queried recent discussions with regard to the potential for freight to fly out of Coffs Harbour. Matter has been going on for many months. Main concern is that nothing has come through Council. Cr Rhoades suggested the service could be introduced within the next few days with an arrival time of 6.00am and a departure time of 8.00pm. Service may use B-Doubles to get freight to existing business. B-Double access on Aviation Drive is not approved. Cr Rhoades would like Council to be informed so that a position can be taken.

*Mr Edwards advised that he has been in contact with Coffs Coast Jet Centre since August 2005. The project has potential for the City and airport and fundamental information has been requested regarding operating conditions and technical advice relating to aircraft performance and weight. One week ago we were still chasing up the required information particularly times of operation and aircraft weight, which is important because of the condition of pavement and pavement wear and tear. Technical issues need to be addressed when information required is received.*

*General Manager (Acting) requested Mr Edwards and Mr Littler deal with the proponent regarding these points particularly access to the Airport and the B-Doubles. He also advised that the proponent be invited to Council to discuss. Councillors will be updated via emails on the outcome of discussions with the proponent.*

### **4. Land - Coffs Harbour Jetty**

Cr Ovens requested as a matter of urgency, within the next 2-3 weeks, that the General Manager (Acting) arrange a workshop with the Councillors on possible tendering for land in the Jetty area.

### **5. Power Supply - Northern Beaches**

Cr Rhoades stated Country Energy are in the process of upgrading the power supply for the Northern Beaches with a 66kv line. Residents of the area have taken the matter to the Ombudsman with respect to the route. The potential degradation of proposed residential land could be severe if impeded by a 66kv line. Council should make approaches to Country Energy and query why it can't go on top of the existing 11kv line.

*Director of Planning advised the REF by Country Energy showed the existing line as being the preferred one and has now been changed but she would follow it up and advise Councillors.*

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## **QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

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### **1. Business Papers - Web timing.**

Cr McKelvey sought clarification as to the possibility of placing business papers on the web on Friday morning? We have not had business papers available until Monday for the last two meetings.

*General Manager (Acting) will report back to Cr McKelvey.*

## **2. Pumpout Charges**

Cr McKelvey advised there are 66 people in Orara Valley who will end up with a new fee for pumpout. Nothing is being suggested as to how Council will address the situation. The burden will be quite substantial to the people and it is very unfair. Is there anything in mind to help these people with this service?

*General Manager (Acting) advised a report will be prepared by the City Services Department.*

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## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

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### **1. CBD - Trees**

Cr Bonfield congratulated the Parks and Gardens department for the trees and gardens in the CBD. Cr Bonfield raised concerns regarding the Ficus Benjamina which have a huge root mass. When will these trees be pruned and will this be carried out annually to prevent root mass and pavement problems.

*General Manager (Acting) will raise this with the Manager of City Parks and report accordingly.*

### **2. Seagull Problem.**

Cr Rhoades suggested that the mixing of eateries and Seagulls in the Harbour Drive eatery areas was a health issue. What can be done to overcome the problem?

*General Manager (Acting) Advised this matter would be investigated.*

### **3. Arrawarra Beach Access**

Cr McKelvey queried if anyone is in a position to give an update on beach access at Arrawarra.

*Director of City Business Units advised that a meeting with Mr Bob Piper who is representing the residents of Arrawarra and Council's Senior Technical Officer was held on 1 December 2005. A course of action is being developed to relieve the situation. There are problems with access and subsidence. Email to follow to Councillors.*

**Councillor Hogbin excused himself from the meeting and left the chamber at 7.52pm.**

### **4. Coastal Conference - Narooma**

Cr Smithers attended the Coastal Conference at Narooma and the proceedings will be given to the General Manager's secretary. Coffs Harbour was successful in the bid for the 2006 Coastal Conference.



**5. Burning Off - Greenhouse Issues.**

Cr Smithers advised Council has been burning off land for clearing, which produces greenhouse issues. Is it possible to approach this in a different manner to reduce greenhouse emissions.

*General Manager (Acting) advised Council does have a policy to mulch rather than burn. The General Manager will report back to Cr Smithers.*

**6. B-Doubles**

Cr Rhoades has been advised by local restaurants that B-doubles are using Orlando Street to the Jetty and Harbour Drive at night on a regular basis. This is not an authorised or approved road for B-Doubles.

*General Manager (Acting) advised a letter will be forwarded to Police and Traffic Committee regarding this problem.*

This concluded the business and the meeting closed at 7.58pm

Confirmed: 15 December 2005

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K D Rhoades, AFSM  
Mayor