



COFFS HARBOUR CITY COUNCIL
ORDINARY MEETING
(CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE)
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COFF AND CASTLE STREETS, COFFS HARBOUR
4 MAY 2006

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COFFS HARBOUR CITY COUNCIL

ORDINARY MEETING

(CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE)

4 MAY 2006

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

Leave of Absence: Cr J Bonfield

The meeting commenced at 5.31pm with the Mayor, Cr K Rhoades in the chair.

APOLOGY

- 62** **RESOLVED** (McKelvey/Palmer) that an apology received from 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.

CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

- 63** **RESOLVED** (Palmer/Hogbin) that the Ordinary Meeting of Council be adjourned and Council now resolve into the City Services Committee meeting, the time being 5.31pm.

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

CITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORTS

S26 TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 3/2006

To confirm minutes from the Traffic Committee Meeting held on 20 April 2006.

EN25 RECOMMENDED (McKelvey/Palmer):

T.16 – Fiddaman Road, Emerald Beach - Temporary Road Closure (R.507240 / P/N 2032700 [1324269])

That :

- (a) the temporary road closure of Fiddaman Road, Emerald Beach, adjacent the Reserve to the start of Ocean View Crescent, from 8.00am to 4.00pm on Sunday, 21 May 2006, for the purpose of conducting the Emerald Beach Community Fair, be advertised and providing no substantive objections are received, the closure be approved.
- (b) the organisers of the Community Fair liaise with affected traders and obtain traders approval.
- (c) the organisers submit a traffic control plan for approval by Council and 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.

S27 WORKS BRANCH REPORT

To advise Council of the progress of construction and maintenance programs undertaken by Works Branch up to 21 April, 2006.

EN26 RECOMMENDED (Palmer/Hogbin) that Council:

- 1. Notes the progress report on construction and maintenance works undertaken by Works Branch up to 21 April, 2006.
- 2. Notes the individual program expenditures are being monitored and are within the allocated 2005/2006 budget.

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 5.36pm.

OPEN COUNCIL

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

EN27 **RECOMMENDED** (Palmer/Ovens) that the Committee now move into Open Council.

ADOPTION OF CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

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

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

1. Public Toilets Security

Councillor Ovens advised that there was an item on the news recently relating to cameras in toilets and questioned whether there was a policy for Council's public facilities.

The General Manager advised that peep holes and other broken view points are checked but no examination is made for web cameras, but the matter would be taken on board.

2. Advertising Signs

Councillor Ovens advised that there is a sign on the Coffs Harbour golf course turned back the front, advertising local business, and questioned whether the sign was illegal under Council's advertising signs policy.

The Director of Planning, Environment and Development (Acting) advised that he was aware of signs and the Golf Club has been requested to remove signs as they are illegal.

3. Multi Purpose Centre

Councillor Hogbin questioned whether, in relation to the public exhibition of the Brelsford Park Multi Purpose Centre, it was normal not to show all the car parking layouts, as Council is calling for community input on building design, parking and traffic management proposals and there are different parking layouts shown on the web and the written documentation.

Councillor Rhoades advised that recommendations shown in the documentation in the foyer are the recommendations and comments of the consultants who prepared the report and are not necessarily the view of Council.

The General Manager advised that in relation to the web site, the matter would be investigated and the web site adjusted if necessary, but the closing date for comment is 17 May 2006. This can be extended seven days, no comment would be refused.

Councillor Hogbin questioned whether consideration could be given to extending the period of consultation to give the public two weeks to look at the actual plan that we are calling for comment on.

Councillor Hogbin requested that a workshop be held with Councillors prior to the matter coming before Council.

The General Manager advised that after the public exhibition period, the summary of submissions would be brought back and discussed with Council.

4. Jetty Memorial Theatre - issues

Councillor Palmer requested that a briefing be organised to discuss changes to the Jetty Memorial Theatre.

The General Manager advised that a briefing would be organised.

Councillor Hogbin advised that the last meetings of the Jetty Memorial Theatre and Arts and Cultural Committee were cancelled and not rescheduled which precluded the information going to the Committees. Councillor Hogbin requested that a meeting be organised between both groups and members be invited to discuss the matters prior to the Councillor briefing.

Councillor Hogbin further requested that the whole arts and cultural area be looked at in order to avoid these types of problems.

The General Manager advised that a meeting would be organised with the groups but the issue of the whole arts and cultural area be left for a few weeks until the Curator of the Art Gallery, Bunker Cartoon Gallery and future Museum has been appointed.

5. Planting - Airport Car Park Extensions

Councillor Palmer questioned the type of shrubbery which has been planted around the airport car park extensions and it has been reported to be a high growing type of shrub and would make a good place for vandals and thieves at quieter times.

The Manager of City Parks took the matter on notice.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Bus Route - Coffs Harbour

Councillor Smithers requested consideration be given for a light bus to do a permanent circuit around the Jetty, Plaza and CBD on a regular basis.

The General Manager advised that he will recommend to Integrated Transport Committee.

Councillor Hogbin advised that the school bus run requirements should be checked as there could be some issues.

2. Jetty Memorial Theatre

Councillor Rhoades questioned the costs of setting up the automation of the ticketing system for the Jetty Memorial Theatre, and if it was only a minor cost, whether Councillors would consider going back to the status quo.

The Director of City Services (Acting) advised that the system has been operating for four days and there have been ticket sales in the order of \$9,000, a lot of which have been by phone, which would indicate a general community acceptance of the system. Mr Newton advised that one issue was that previously each group had a different ticketing agency and many people were unaware of where to get tickets, but this has now been centralised. Mr Newton further advised that most of the agencies that were selling tickets charged a fee, so whilst Council charges a fee, the agencies were also charging a fee.

Councillor Ovens advised that the matter has been dealt with in great detail Lot of money invested in theatre.

Councillor Hogbin part of issue three changes all simultaneously, the hiring fees, ticketing and canteen, - changes all at once. Meeting with community groups as soon as possible to determine all the issues.

This concluded the business and the meeting closed at 5.56 pm.

Confirmed: 18 May 2006.

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K D Rhoades, AFSM
Mayor