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COFFS HARBOUR CITY COUNCIL

**ORDINARY MEETING
(CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE)**

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

7 SEPTEMBER 2006

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ORDINARY MEETING

(CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE)

7 SEPTEMBER 2006

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

Staff: Assistant General Manager/Director Corporate Business/Acting Director Land Use, Health & Development, Director of City Services (Acting), Design Manager, Works Manager, Manager Land Use Planning and Executive Assistant .

The meeting commenced at 5.43pm with the Mayor, Cr K Rhoades in the chair.

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

CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

125 **RESOLVED** (Palmer/Smithers) that the Ordinary Meeting of Council be adjourned and Council now resolve into the City Services Committee meeting, the time being 5.44pm.

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

CITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORTS

S56 TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 6/2006

To confirm minutes from the Traffic Committee Meeting held on 24 August 2006.

EN55 RECOMMENDED (Hogbin/Smithers):

T.38 – Murdock Street, Coffs Harbour - Residential Parking (R.505370)

That no action be taken to implement a residential parking scheme in Murdock Street, Coffs Harbour.

T.39 – Dammerel Crescent, Emerald Beach - 'No Stopping' sign (R.506600)

That 'No Stopping' signs be installed in Dammerel Crescent, Emerald Beach, as per Plan No. T.39.

T.40 – Amaroo Crescent / Toormina Road, Boambee (Harbour Drive)

That no action be taken to install a 'Stop' sign at the intersection of Amaroo Crescent and Toormina Road, Boambee.

T.41 – Bonville Station Road / Grandis Road, Bonville - Speed Limit (R.500700)

That a temporary reduction in speed limit on Bonville Station Road, Bonville, to 60km/h for the period of construction of the Bonville By-Pass, be recommended to the Roads and Traffic Authority.

T.42 – Beach Street, Woolgoolga - Temporary Road Closure (R.508400)

That :

- (a) the temporary road closure of Beach Street, Woolgoolga, on Monday, 2 October 2006 between the hours of 8.00am and 4.00pm for the purpose of holding Coffs Harbour International Buskers & Comedy Festival, be advertised and providing no substantive objections are received, the closure be approved.
- (b) the organisers (Streets Ahead) to 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.

T.43 – First Avenue, Sawtell - Temporary Road Closure (R.501520)

That :

- (a) the temporary road closure of First Avenue, Sawtell on Saturday, 7 October 2006, between 11.00am and 6.00pm for the purpose of holding the Coffs Harbour International Buskers & Comedy Festival, be advertised and providing no substantive objections are received, the closure be approved.
- (b) the organisers (Streets Ahead) to 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.

T.44 – Park Avenue, Coffs Harbour - 'Loading Zone' (R.505670)

That a 'Loading Zone' be installed in Park Avenue, Coffs Harbour, as per Plan T.44.

T.45 – Hogbin Drive, Coffs Harbour - Airport Drive Roundabout (R.500390)

That :

1. Plans for construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Hogbin Drive and Airport Drive, Coffs Harbour, be approved as per Plan T.45.
2. Changes to speed zones on Hogbin Drive, Coffs Harbour, between Albany Street and Stadium Drive be implemented on completion of the Airport Drive roundabout, as per Plan T.45A.

S57 MINUTES OF THE ARTS AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 19 JUNE 2006

To present the minutes of the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee (A&CDAC) meeting held on 19 June 2006. The meetings of 17 July and 21 August 2006 did not proceed due to the lack of a quorum.

EN56 RECOMMENDED (Bonfield/Smithers) that Council note the minutes of the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee meeting held on 19 June 2006.

S58 OPERATIONS BRANCH REPORT

To advise Council of the progress of construction and maintenance programs undertaken by Operations Branch – Asset Construction, Maintenance and Recreational Services up to 29th August, 2006.

EN57 RECOMMENDED (Ovens/Hogbin) that Council:

1. Notes the progress report on asset construction, maintenance and recreational services works undertaken by Operations Branch up to 29 August, 2006.
2. Notes the individual program expenditures are being monitored and are within the allocated 2006/2007 budget.

S59 COFFS HARBOUR WATER REPORT APRIL TO JUNE 2006

Information on maintenance, operation and construction activities for the three month period April to June 2005 for the Water Supply Fund.

EN58 RECOMMENDED (Hogbin/Smithers):

1. That the report on Coffs Harbour Water maintenance and operation activities for the three month period April to June 2006 be noted.
2. That the average daily consumption for the March quarter of 15.1 ML/day, total abstraction for the quarter from Cochranes Pool of 359 ML, total inflow to Karangi Dam from Regional Water Supply P/L of 1164 ML, total consumption for the quarter of 1371 ML and Karangi Dam storage level of 99.9% on 29 August 2006 be noted.

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 6.05pm.

OPEN COUNCIL

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

- EN59** **RECOMMENDED** (Smithers/Joass) that the Committee now move into Open Council.

ADOPTION OF CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

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

MATTERS OF AN URGENT NATURE

1. Mobile Signs

Councillor Ovens advised that he had observed mobile advertising signs on the road reserves and median strips in the Jetty area and asked if the Rangers could investigate.

2. Parking - City Hill

Councillor Featherstone advised that parking at City Hill near the Cartoon Gallery is inadequate and requested a staff member meet him outside the Cartoon Gallery at 10.00am on Friday 8 September to look at the situation.

The Director of City Services (Acting) agreed to attend.

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

1. Multi Purpose Centre, Brelsford Park

Councillor Hogbin requested an update on when the meetings on the progress of Multi Purpose Centre/ Brelsford Park will be held.

The Assistant General Manager advised that it was proposed to hold a workshop with Councillors and the consultant within next two to three weeks.

2. Damage Deposits

Councillor Featherstone questioned what happens with the damage deposit that is paid by developers/owners on approval of buildings. Cr Featherstone requested a report back on how much money there is, where does it go, how it is used and what happens with the interest received on the deposits.

The Assistant General Manager advised that the damage deposit is in accordance with Council's fees and charges and covers damage to kerb and gutter and footpaving however if there is no damage, the deposit is refunded to the applicant on completion of the work.

3. Vandalism and Graffiti

Councillor Palmer advised that there was a recent newspaper report on an act of vandalism and graffiti in the Sawtell area where the offender was caught. Cr Palmer requested that the situation be monitored in the hope that the style of graffiti might be recognised and compensation may be obtained.

Councillor Rhoades advised that from a policing point of view, what is called the signature is actually photographed before it is removed and if the situation arises where a person or persons is apprehended doing a signature is compared to a file that Police keep and they can go back and have some history on it. Cr Rhoades advised that he had received a suggestion from a ratepayer that Council should consider an area somewhere, like a wall, that these people can use and it can then be used as a form of art.

4. Water Quality - Woolgoolga Water Reclamation Plant

Councillor Ovens advised that Port Macquarie Council is producing 1ML per day from their recycled water plant using Memtec process and questioned whether the water quality would be similar to what is coming out of Woolgoolga water reclamation plant. Cr Ovens requested a cost per kilolitre to treat.

The Director of City Services (Acting) advised that the water would be a higher quality from Port Macquarie as we opted to treat to Australian Standards for agricultural salad vegetable standard which is a lesser standard. Mr Newton advised that the plant itself is three or four times more expensive than the type of equipment we have, eg \$2M to treat 120ML per day at Coffs Harbour, Port Macquarie treats 1ML per day and the operational costs for ozone and membranes are also expensive.

5. Arrawarra/Mullaway Sewer

Councillor McKelvey questioned whether the people on Arrawarra point could be temporarily serviced with the sewerage system, even though there is a pump station that needs to be constructed once the underboring of Arrawarra Creek is completed.

The Director of City Services (Acting) advised that the pump station, or receiving manhole, is in the path of the directional drill and even though the pump station is complete, the manhole that feeds into the pump station has not been constructed as yet. Mr Newton advised that the biggest problem in putting it in now is having to move it during construction and tanker out any of the effluent that was coming in during that construction period which is quite an expensive exercise. The time frame depends on which contractor is chosen for the job and their availability but it is hoped to be finished within three months.

Councillor McKelvey advised that there is already starting to be problems with Arrawarra Caravan Park with their sullage field, and questioned whether the Caravan Park could be forced to use pump out, as the ground is currently saturated, things are not very pleasant already, and there are not a lot of people in the park.

The Director of City Services (Acting) advised that Health Department is monitoring the park on a regular basis.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Safe Driving Expo

Councillor Smithers advised that he recently attended the Safe Driving Expo and offered congratulations to those involved including Council's Roads Safety Officer Anne Shearer, NRMA , PCYC and Coffs Rotary who made it happen.

2. Greenhouse Action Strategy

Councillor Smithers questioned whether the General Manager would consider forming a Greenhouse Committee as the action Greenhouse Action Strategy has a lot of great initiatives but funding and staff resources are limited.

The Assistant General Manager to take the matter on board.

In concluding the meeting Councillor Rhoades offered congratulations to Councillors who have been elected to their various positions and tasks for the next twelve months. Cr Rhoades also expressed concern at the manner of the public address by Margaret Murphy from the Bypass Action Network.

This concluded the business and the meeting closed at 6.30pm.

Confirmed: 21 September 2006.

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K D Rhoades, AFSM
Mayor