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**COFFS HARBOUR CITY COUNCIL**

**ORDINARY MEETING  
(CITY SERVICES)**

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

**28 MAY 2009**

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## COFFS HARBOUR CITY COUNCIL

### ORDINARY MEETING (CITY SERVICES)

**28 MAY 2009**

**Present:** Councillors K Rhoades (Mayor), J Arkan, R Degens, M Graham, K Hines, D Knight, W Palmer and P Templeton.

**Staff:** General Manager, Director Corporate Business, Director Land Use, Health & Development, Executive Manager Engineering Services, Manager Cultural and Community Development and Executive Assistant

The meeting commenced at 5.01pm with the Mayor, Cr K Rhoades in the chair.

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#### DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

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There were no disclosures of interest.

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#### APOLOGY

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**59 RESOLVED** (Templeton/Hines) that an apology received from Cr Bonfield for absence be received and leave be granted for the current meeting of Council.

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## CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

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- 60** **RESOLVED** (Templeton/Hines) that the minutes of the Land Use, Health & Development Committee meeting held on 14 May 2009 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Councillor Graham advised that in Questions without Notice No. 7 - Flood Inundation he had asked the Mayor three questions, the first being "how long have you served", the second question asked if you "had approved developments under delegated authority or a resolution of Council" to which you responded "I cannot recall" or "I do not know". Councillor Graham asked that the tape be inspected to confirm the answers of the Mayor particularly to the second question as the minutes didn't reflect the three questions that he asked, nor the three answers that the Mayor gave.

The tape recording has been checked and the minutes amended accordingly.

## NOTICE OF MOTION

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### FEASIBILITY OF A LOCAL TRAIN SERVICE FOR COFFS HARBOUR

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**MOVED** (Degens/Arkan):

1. That a committee, (a working group) be created by Coffs Harbour City Council for the purpose of making investigations into the feasibility of a local train service for Coffs Harbour City along the North Coast Rail Line.
2. That the committee reports back to Council after six months, the details of these findings including various proposal options, funding options available through State and Federal grants, parameters and constraints of the proposal.
3. That the working group should include:
  - One (1) relevant Council staff member
  - Mr Andrew Peir, (or nominated representative)
  - Area Manager North - Country Link c/- Taree Station, Olympia Street, Taree 2430
  - One (1) or more Councillors
  - Key community members

## AMENDMENT

- 61** **MOVED** (Rhoades/Hines)
1. That a committee, (a working group) be created by Coffs Harbour City Council for the purpose of making investigations into the feasibility of a local train service for Coffs Harbour City along the North Coast Rail Line.
  2. That the committee reports back to Council after six months, the details of these findings including various proposal options, funding options available through State and Federal grants, parameters and constraints of the proposal.

## Feasibility of a Local Train Service for Coffs Harbour (Cont'd)

3. That the working group should include:
  - One (1) relevant Council staff member
  - Mr Andrew Peir, (or nominated representative)
  - Area Manager North - Country Link c/- Taree Station, Olympia Street, Taree 2430
  - One (1) or more Councillors
  - Key community members
4. That it be formed as a sub committee of the Transport Working Group with its focus being particularly on rail transport.

The **AMENDMENT** on being put to the meeting resulted in a tied vote. The Chairperson used his casting vote and declared the **AMENDMENT CARRIED**.

**For:** Crs Templeton, Hines, Rhoades & Palmer.  
**Against:** Crs. Arkan, Degens, Graham & Knight.

The **AMENDMENT** then became the **MOTION** and was declared **CARRIED**.

**For:** Crs Templeton, Hines, Rhoades, Palmer, Arkan, Degens, Graham & Knight.  
**Against:** N/A.

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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- 62** **RESOLVED** (Palmer/Templeton) 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 Palmer to chair the City Services Committee meeting.

## CITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORTS

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### S16 TRAFFIC COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 2/2009

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To confirm minutes from the Traffic Committee Meeting held on 12 May 2009.

#### EN11 RECOMMENDED (Templeton/Arkan):

##### T.17 – Park Avenue, Coffs Harbour - Parking Restrictions (R.505670 [2166038])

That no action be taken to install '1 hour' parking on the northern side of Park Avenue, Coffs Harbour, between Gordon Street and Woolworths car park.

##### T.18 – Cavanba Road, Toormina - Pick-up / Drop Off area (R.501250 [2166765])

That the request for an extension of 'Pick up /Drop Off' area in Cavanba Road, Toormina, adjacent Toormina High School, be deferred.

*Councillor Hines requested that she be involved in any discussion in relation to the extension of pick up/drop off area in Cavanba Road, Toormina.*

##### T.19 – Halls Road, Coffs Harbour - Traffic Problems (R.500720 [2152640])

That the traffic problems continue to be monitored in Halls Road, Coffs Harbour.

##### T.20 – Cottonwood Crescent, Coffs Harbour - 'Stop' sign - [2149249]

That 'Give Way' signs be installed in Cottonwood Crescent, Coffs Harbour, at the intersection with Loaders Lane, as per Plan T.20.

##### T.21 – Beach Street, Woolgoolga - 'No U Turn' sign (R.508400)

That no action be taken to install a 'No U Turn' sign in Beach Street, Woolgoolga, at the Nightingale Street intersection.

*Councillor Arkan requested Traffic Committee to re look at the 'No U Turn' sign in Beach Street, Woolgoolga.*

##### T.22 – Earl Street, Coffs Harbour - Parking Restrictions (R.503120 [2130565])

That no action be taken to install 'No Parking' signs on western side of Earl Street, Coffs Harbour, south of Harbour Drive.

##### T.23 – Coramba Road, Coffs Harbour - Merge lane (R.500120 [2190482])

That linemarking be altered on Coramba Road, Coffs Harbour, near Jungs Quarry, as per Plan No. T.23.

T.24 – Pacific Highway / West High Street, Coffs Harbour - 'No Stopping' sign (R.511420 / R.509970)

That the 'No Stopping' sign on the Pacific Highway, Coffs Harbour, near intersection with West High Street, be moved to the other side of the driveway, as per Plan T.24.

T.25 – Middle Boambee Road, Boambee - Intersection with Lindsays Road (R.500340 [2190482])

That :

1. No additional linemarking or signposting be undertaken at the intersection of Middle Boambee Road and Lindsays Road, Boambee.
2. Consideration be given in future road safety improvement programs to realignment of the Middle Boambee Road / Lindsays Road intersection.

T.26 – Sawtell Road, Sawtell - Pedestrian Refuge (R.502390)

That the pedestrian refuge on Sawtell Road, Sawtell, near the intersection of Lamberts Road, be approved, subject to consultation with residents regarding on-street parking, as per Plan T.26.

T.27 – Joyce Street, Coffs Harbour - Pedestrian Refuge (R.504920)

That the pedestrian refuge in Joyce Street, Coffs Harbour, north of Bailey Avenue, be approved, as per Plan T.27.

T.28 – Stadium Drive, Coffs Harbour - 'No Parking' signs (R.510850 / P/N 2213700)

That :

1. 'No Parking' signs be installed on Stadium Drive, Coffs Harbour, at Phil Hawthorne Drive and at Cunninghams Road, as per Plan T.28.
2. Further investigations be undertaken to determine whether a 40 km/h high pedestrian activity zone can be established in Cunninghams Road (off Stadium Drive) and including the main (western) Stadium car park and whether further parking restrictions are warranted.

T.29 – Jordan Esplanade, Coffs Harbour - Australian Tarmac Challenge (R.506100 [2198291])

That :

1. Approval be given in principle to the organisers of The Australian Tarmac Challenge for the temporary road closure on Friday, 4 September 2009 of Jordan Esplanade, Coffs Harbour, and Saturday, 5 September 2009 of Harbour Drive, Coffs Harbour, between Gordon Street and Pacific Highway.
  - (a) The organisers of the Australian Tarmac Challenge liaise with affected traders and obtain traders approval.
  - (b) The organisers be responsible for erection of traffic barriers and control of traffic using accredited traffic controllers.
  - (c) The organisers be responsible for all costs associated with the temporary closure, including advertising.

T.30 – First Avenue, Sawtell - Temporary Road Closure - Sawtell Chilli Festival (R.501520 [1925927])

That:

- (a) The temporary road closure of First Avenue, Sawtell, between Second Avenue and Boronia Street between the hours of 6.00am and 6.00pm on Saturday, 4 July 2009, for the purpose of holding the Sawtell Chilli Festival, be advertised and providing no substantive objections are received, the closure be approved.
- (b) The organisers of the Chilli Festival 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, including advertising.
- (e) A temporary bus zone be established on the east side of First Avenue, Sawtell, north of Second Avenue to enable buses to continue to operate.

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**S17 INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM**

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To report to Council on a schedule of projects for submission to future State and Federal infrastructure grant funding programs.

**MOTION**

**EN12 MOVED** (Rhoades/Templeton) that the following list of infrastructure projects be endorsed by Council for consideration in future State and Federal government grant funding programs.

1. Coffs Harbour War Memorial Olympic Pool
2. Surf Life Saving Championships at Boambee Beach
3. Bruxner Park Ecotourism Site
4. Commuter Bike paths (Coffs Creek track)
5. Solitary islands Coastal Walk
6. Heritage Photo Catalogue.
7. Local Passenger Rail project (or projects) as developed by the newly formed Rail Committee in CHCC be added as a potential Infrastructure Project (for 2011).

## **S17 - Infrastructure Grant Program (Cont'd)**

### **AMENDMENT**

**MOVED** (Graham/Degens) that the six programs submitted under the Federal Government Jobs Fund Program be reduced to four, specifically remove Surf Life Saving Championships at Boambee Beach and the Bruxner Park Ecotourism Site.

The **AMENDMENT** on being put to the meeting was **LOST**.

**Against:** Cr Templeton, Hines, Knight, Rhoades, Arkan, Palmer

**For:** Cr Degens, Graham

The **MOTION** on being put to the meeting was declared **CARRIED**.

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## **S18 DRAFT AND ROLLING WORKS PROGRAMS**

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To present the draft and rolling works programs up until 2028/29, including the draft works program for the 2009/10 financial year. The programs cover all significant recurring capital works activities within the City Services Group, including some that are unfunded presently.

### **EN13 RECOMMENDED** (Arkan/Hines):

1. That Council note the draft work programs for the 2009/2010 financial year.
2. That Council note the rolling works programs presented for 2010/2011 - 2028/2029.
3. That the report be used to assist in the development of a long term financial strategy for Council.

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## **S19 FUTURE DIRECTIONS FOR THE COFFS HARBOUR REGIONAL MUSEUM**

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This report is to make recommendations to Council about the future of the Coffs Harbour Regional Museum facility and its services.

### **EN14 RECOMMENDED** (Templeton/Arkan):

1. That the Coffs Harbour Regional Museum and Bunker Cartoon Gallery co-locate to ensure a museum presence, in the short term.
2. That Council consider an allocation of \$75,000 in the 2009/2010 budget, to be funded from revenue (increased deficit), to look at the long term options for the design, feasibility and likely costs of both a flexibly designed museum located on Brelsford Park and also replacing one of the existing operations on the ground floor of Rigby House with museum operations.



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## **S20 SUBMISSIONS REGARDING REVIEW OF CULTURAL COMMITTEES**

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To outline to Council the submissions received during the exhibition of the proposed cultural committees and to make recommendations as a result of these submissions.

### **EN15 RECOMMENDED** (Knight/Arkan) that

1. Council agree to develop strategic plans for visual arts and the museum and the performing arts and a community forum be held within two months to commence this process.
2. These plans include business plans for the Regional Gallery, the Regional Museum, the Bunker Cartoon Gallery and the Jetty Memorial Theatre.
3. As part of Council developing business plans for the Regional Gallery, the regional Museum, the Bunker Cartoon Gallery and the Jetty Memorial Theatre, a committee structure be developed and reported to Council within six months.
4. Within 12 months of completion of performance /entertainment centre Council consider negotiations with the Association of Coffs Community Theatre Societies (ACCTS) or any other cultural/performing arts groups regarding the management of the Jetty Memorial Theatre.

## **LAND USE HEALTH & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT REPORT**

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### **L13 REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE JOINT REGIONAL PLANNING PANELS**

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The purpose of this report is for Council to nominate 2 persons plus an alternate person to become members of the Joint Regional Planning Panel (JRPP).

### **EN16 RECOMMENDED** (Arkan/Templeton):

1. That Council nominate the following persons to be members of the Northern Regional Joint Regional Planning Panel:
  - Mayor;
  - General Manager (or his nominee);
  - Deputy Mayor (alternate member).
2. That Council write back to the Department of Planning for the purpose of negotiating a greater number of seats for Council representatives (either Councillors or Council staff or both) to make up these proposed Joint Regional Planning Panels. Our recommended composition to be: Four Council staff and one State representative.

**For:** Crs Graham, Degens, Arkan, Palmer, Rhoades, Knight, Hines, Templeton.

**Against:** N/A.

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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 6.13pm.

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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.

**EN17 RECOMMENDED** (Templeton/Arkan) that the Committee now move into Open Council.

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**ADOPTION OF CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT**

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**63 RESOLVED** (Templeton/Hines) that the recommendations of the City Services Committee meeting be received and adopted.

This concluded the business and the meeting closed at 6.14 pm.

Confirmed: 11 June 2009.

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K D Rhoades, AFSM  
Mayor