## CITY OF WEST TORRENS



# **MINUTES**

## of the

## **SPECIAL MEETING**

## of the

## **CITY FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

Members: Councillor B Reynolds (Presiding Member), Mayor M Coxon, Councillors: A McKay, J Wood, G Vlahos, C O'Rielley, E Papanikolaou, J Woodward, K McKay, D Huggett, D Wilton, S Pal, S Tsiaparis, D Mugavin, G Nitschke

of the

## **CITY OF WEST TORRENS**

held in the Council Chambers, Civic Centre 165 Sir Donald Bradman Drive, Hilton

on

### TUESDAY, 6 April 2021, adjourned to WEDNESDAY, 14 APRIL 2021 at 7.00pm

Terry Buss PSM Chief Executive Officer

**City of West Torrens Disclaimer** 

Please note that the contents of these Committee Minutes have yet to be considered by Council and officer recommendations may be altered or changed by the Council in the process of making the <u>formal Council decision</u>.

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#### 1 MEETING OPENED

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 8.45pm.

#### 1.1 Evacuation Procedures

The evacuation procedures were taken as read.

#### **1.2 Electronic Platform Meeting**

The Presiding Member advised the meeting was being livestreamed via a Zoom public link available on the City of West Torrens website.

### 2 PRESENT

#### **Council Members:**

Cr B Reynolds (Presiding Member) Mayor M Coxon (8.47pm) Councillors: J Woodward, E Papanikolaou, D Huggett, K McKay, D Mugavin, G Nitschke, S Pal, S Tsiaparis, C O'Rielley, D Wilton, A McKay, J Wood, G Vlahos

#### Officers:

| Mr T Buss      | (Chief Executive Officer)                           |
|----------------|---|
| Mr C James     | (General Manager Corporate and Regulatory - Acting) |
| Ms P Koritsa   | (General Manager Business and Community Services)   |
| Mr A Catinari  | (General Manager Urban Services)                    |
| Ms L Gilmartin | (Manager Financial Services)                        |
| Mr D Ottanelli | (Manager City Property)                             |
| Mr C Lapidge   | (Finance Coordinator - Acting)                      |

#### 3 APOLOGIES

Lateness Committee Member: Mayor Michael Coxon (8.47pm)

#### 4 DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

Nil

#### 5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 16 March 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Jassmine Wood Seconded: Cr Anne McKay

That the recommendation be adopted.

#### CARRIED

## 6 COMMUNICATION BY THE CHAIRPERSON

The following communication was presented by the Presiding Member Cr Brandon Reynolds:

Welcome fellow councillors and senior staff to the first of a number of meetings to consider and eventually adopt the 2021/22 budget and business plan, one of our most challenging for many years.

It is my intention during the course of deliberations on the budget to relax formal proceedings, as has been normal practice over recent years. This will allow all members of this Council to participate in the consideration and review of the budget without being constrained by the rules that normally govern standing committee meetings.

I also intend to follow the structure proposed in the agenda report, which will involve starting at page 1 and working progressively through the document.'

### 7 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Nil

8.47pm Mayor Michael Coxon entered the meeting.

#### 8 MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Nil

#### 9 **REPORTS OF GENERAL MANAGER**

#### 9.1 Budget and Annual Business Plan 2021/22

The first draft of the 2021/22 budget and annual business plan was tabled for Council review and consideration.

#### **Short Term Suspension of Proceedings**

Moved: Cr Kym McKay Seconded: Cr Daniel Huggett

That in accordance with Division 2 (Prescribed Procedures) of Council's Code of Practice for Procedures at Meetings, proceedings be suspended temporarily to allow informal discussion on the 2021/22 Draft Budget and Annual Business Plan.

CARRIED

#### 8.48pm Short term suspension of proceedings commenced.

A review of the draft Budget and Annual Business Plan 2020/21 commenced on page 1.

Prior to the commencement of the draft Budget and Annual Business Plan 2021/22 review, the Presiding Member reiterated that the meeting was being livestreamed as audio only via a Zoom public link available on the City of West Torrens website.

The document was discussed, with Elected Members asking questions which were responded to by the Administration.

#### End of Short Term Suspension of Proceedings

Moved: Cr Elisabeth Papanikolaou Seconded: Cr Kym McKay

That the period of short-term suspension of proceedings, be ended.

#### CARRIED

#### 9.34pm Short term suspension of proceedings ended.

#### Adjournment of the Meeting

Moved: Cr Daniel Huggett Seconded: Cr Graham Nitschke

That the meeting be adjourned until Tuesday 14 April 2021, with proceedings to be resumed at page 31 of the 2021/22 Draft Budget and Annual Business Plan document.

#### CARRIED

The Presiding Member adjourned the meeting at 9.35pm.

#### **TUESDAY 14 APRIL 2021 MEETING RECONVENED**

#### **MEETING RESUMED**

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 7.00pm.

#### **Evacuation Procedure**

The evacuation procedures were taken as read.

#### **Electronic Platform Meeting**

The Presiding Member advised the meeting was being livestreamed via a Zoom public link available on the City of West Torrens website.

#### PRESENT

#### **Council Members:**

Cr B Reynolds (Presiding Member) Mayor M Coxon (8.01pm) Councillors: J Woodward, D Huggett, K McKay, D Mugavin, G Nitschke, S Pal, S Tsiaparis, G Vlahos, D Wilton

#### Officers:

| Mr T Buss      | (Chief Executive Officer)                           |
|----------------|---|
| Mr C James     | (General Manager Corporate and Regulatory - Acting) |
| Ms P Koritsa   | (General Manager Business and Community Services)   |
| Mr A Catinari  | (General Manager Urban Services)                    |
| Ms L Gilmartin | (Manager Financial Services)                        |
| Mr C Lapidge   | (Finance Coordinator - Acting)                      |

#### APOLOGIES

## Apologies Committee Members:

Cr Anne McKay Cr Elisabeth Papanikolaou Cr Jassmine Wood

#### Lateness

**Committee Member:** Mayor Michael Coxon (8.01pm)

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the apologies be received.

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Graham Nitschke Seconded: Cr Surender Pal

That the recommendation be adopted.

#### CARRIED

#### **COMMUNICATION BY THE CHAIRPERSON**

The following communication was presented by the Presiding Member Cr Brandon Reynolds:

Welcome fellow councillors and senior staff to the second meeting to consider the draft 2021/22 budget and annual business plan.

It is my intention to relax formal proceedings again tonight, as has been normal practice over recent years, and will call for a motion to that effect shortly.

I also intend to resume where we finished at the last meeting, being page 31 of the Proposed Budget and Annual Business Plan (or page 35 of the Attachment Under Separate Cover), which deals with the Capital Budget.'

#### **QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

Nil

#### MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Nil

#### **REPORTS OF GENERAL MANAGER**

#### 9.1 Resumption of Item 9.1 - Budget and Annual Business Plan 2021/22

Proceedings will resume at page 31 of the 2021/22 Draft Budget and Annual Business Plan document.

#### Short Term Suspension of Proceedings

Moved: Cr Dominic Mugavin Seconded: Cr Simon Tsiaparis

That in accordance with Division 2 (Prescribed Procedures) of Council's Code of Practice for Procedures at Meetings, proceedings be suspended temporarily to allow informal discussion on the 2021/22 Draft Budget and Annual Business Plan.

7.02pm Cr John Woodward left the meeting.

#### CARRIED

#### 7.03pm Short term suspension of proceedings commenced.

Page by Page Review of the draft Budget and Annual Business Plan 2021/22 resumed from page 31. The Acting General Manager Corporate and Regulatory, Chris James, provided a summary the draft Budget and Annual Business Plan and a response to the questions raised at the last special meeting of the City Finance and Governance Standing Committee held on 6 April 2021.

The document was discussed, with Elected Members asking questions which were responded to by the Administration.

7.06pm Cr John Woodward returned to the meeting.
7.31pm Cr John Woodward left the meeting.
7.33pm Cr John Woodward returned to the meeting.
7.34pm Cr John Woodward left the meeting.
7.35pm Cr John Woodward returned to the meeting.
7.36pm Cr John Woodward returned to the meeting.
8.01pm Mayor Michael Coxon entered the meeting.
8.35pm Cr Kym McKay left the meeting.
8.39pm Cr Kym McKay returned to the meeting.

### End of Short Term Suspension of Proceedings

Moved: Cr Kym McKay Seconded: Cr Surender Pal

That the period of short-term suspension of proceedings, be ended.

#### CARRIED

#### 8.54pm Short term suspension of proceedings ended.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Committee recommends to Council that the proposed 2021/22 budget and annual business plan be released for public consultation.

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Kym McKay Seconded: Cr Graham Nitschke

That the recommendation be adopted.

#### CARRIED

#### 10 MEETING CLOSE

The Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 8.56pm.