



MEETING OF COUNCIL

Held in the Council Chambers
Canada Bay Civic Centre
1a Marlborough Street, Drummoyne
on Tuesday, 11 January 2022, commencing at 6.00pm.

MINUTES

Present: Cr Tsirekas (Mayor)
Cr Little
Cr Di Pasqua
Cr Ferguson
Cr Jago
Cr Megna
Cr Cordaro
Cr Ruggeri
Cr Bazouni

In attendance: Mr J Clark (General Manager)
Mr P Dewar (Acting Director Community & Environmental Planning)
Ms K Loveridge (Director City Services & Assets)
Ms M Lee (Acting Director Corporate Services & Strategy)
Ms J Kalouche (Minute taker)

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WELCOME TO COUNTRY

The City of Canada Bay acknowledges the Wangal clan, one of the 29 tribes of the Eora nation and the traditional custodians of this land.

The City's Council pays respect to Elders past and present and extends this respect to all Aboriginal people living in or visiting the City of Canada Bay.

APOLOGIES

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Council Meeting – 1 November 2021

01/22 RESOLVED

(Cr Megna/Di Pasqua)

THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting of 1 November 2021 be confirmed.

PUBLIC FORUM/PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS

Nil

ITEM-1 OATH/AFFIRMATION OF OFFICE

02/22 RESOLVED

(Cr Megna/Di Pasqua)

THAT Council note that each Councillor present at the meeting of 11 January 2022 undertook the Oath or Affirmation of Office.

ITEM-2 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

03/22 RESOLVED

(Crs Megna/Ruggeri)

1. THAT Council elect a Deputy Mayor to hold office through to September 2022.
2. THAT Council note the procedure for the election of a Deputy Mayor by Councillors in accordance with Schedule 7 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.
3. THAT Council determines the method of voting for the election of a Deputy Mayor to be the open voting method, if more than one councillor is nominated.

The General Manager conducted the election of the Deputy Mayor.

One nomination was received for Councillor Di Pasqua.

Further nominations were called. When no further nominations were received, as there was only one Deputy Mayoral candidate, Councillor Di Pasqua was declared elected as Deputy Mayor.

ITEM-3 DELEGATIONS DURING CARETAKER PERIOD

04/22 RESOLVED

(Crs Ferguson/Jago)

THAT the report on delegations during the caretaker period be received and noted.

ITEM-4 2021 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS - CASUAL VACANCY IN CIVIC OFFICE - COUNTBACK OPTION

05/22 RESOLVED

(Crs Jago/Cordaro)

1. THAT Council, pursuant to section 291A(1)(b) of the NSW Local Government Act 1993, declare that casual vacancies occurring in the office of a councillor within 18 months after the last ordinary election of councillors for the Council on 4 December 2021, are to be filled by a countback of votes cast at that election for the office in accordance with section 291A of the Act; and

2. THAT should Council declare that casual vacancies occurring in the office of a councillor in the next 18 months are to be filled by a countback of votes as outlined in 1 above, the General Manager notifies the New South Wales Electoral Commission's Election Manager of the Council's decision within 7 days of the decision.

**ITEM-5 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW SPECIAL CONFERENCE 2022
- MOTIONS AND ATTENDANCE**

06/22 RESOLVED

(Crs Megna/Ferguson)

THAT Council nominate the Mayor, and Councillors Cordaro, Ruggeri, Megna and Little as voting delegates to attend the LGNSW Special Conference to be held from 28 February to 2 March 2022 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Sydney.

**ITEM-6 NSW PARLIAMENT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL INQUIRY
INTO SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE**

MOTION

(Crs Megna/Cordaro)

THAT Council endorse the draft submission attached to the report and forward it to the NSW Legislative Council's Inquiry into the planning and delivery of school infrastructure in NSW.

AMENDMENT

(Crs Ferguson/Little)

1. THAT Council endorse the draft submission attached to the report and forward it to the NSW Legislative Council's Inquiry into the planning and delivery of school infrastructure in NSW.
2. THAT Council congratulates staff for the drafting of Council's Submission to the NSW Government Parliamentary Inquiry into School Infrastructure in NSW.
3. THAT Council note that the Inquiry includes in its terms of reference specific reference to Concord High School.
4. THAT Council's submission establishes the need for a new high school in our council area and or a major re development of Concord High School. However, it is anticipated that the realization of this outcome may take 10 years. Council expresses concern at the immediate and ongoing overcrowding, inadequate, substandard and unsafe facilities at the High School.

5. THAT Council endorses ongoing advocacy, liaison and regular consultation with the P&C of Concord High School and other stakeholders to support immediate and practical resolution of the current unacceptable situation. Further that be appropriate reports to council in respect of the outcome of these endeavours.
6. THAT the General Manager be authorised to have the discretion to undertake further preparation of the submission on the population figures underlying the submission to clarify:
 - a) the demand for additional primary and secondary school places, based on capital works planning with a minimum horizon of ten years, and a minimum demographic horizon of fifteen years, and
 - b) in general terms, the likely necessity for additional primary and secondary schools.

The amendment was CARRIED and became the motion.

07/22 RESOLVED

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THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.12PM.

CHAIRMAN