

Special Council Meeting

Minutes for Monday 21 October 2019

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1. Official Opening

The Chief Executive Officer opened the meeting at 6:35pm and welcomed Councillors, Councillors Elect, Staff and Members of the Public Gallery. The Chief Executive Officer introduction and welcomed the Hon. Michael Murray, AM QC who will undertake the duty of swearing in of Councillors, the Councillor elected to the office of Mayor and the Councillor elected to the office of Deputy Mayor.

The Chief Executive Officer invited Councillor Elect Brooke O'Donnell to acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet, the Whadjuk Noongar people.

2. Attendance, Apologies and Leave of Absence Previously Approved

Councillors

South East Ward

John Giardina
Janelle Sewell
Geoff Stallard

South West Ward

Lesley Boyd
Mary Cannon
Brooke O'Donnell

North West Ward

Sue Bilich
Lisa Cooper
Dylan O'Connor

North Ward

Cameron Blair
Kathy Ritchie
Margaret Thomas JP

Members of Staff

Chief Executive Officer

Rhonda Hardy

Executive Team

Gary Ticehurst - Director Corporate Services
Brett Jackson - Director Asset Services
Peter Varelis - Director Development Services
Simon Di Rosso - General Counsel & Executive Advisor

Management Team

Nicole O'Neill - Manager Customer & Public Relations

Administration Support

Darrell Forrest - Governance Advisor
Donna McPherson - Executive Assistant to the CEO
Sarah Griffiths - Councillor Support Officer

Members of the Public 51

Members of the Press 1

Apologies – Nil.

Leave of Absence Previously Approved – Nil.

3. Elected Members

3.1. Swearing in of Newly Elected Councillors

In accordance with Section 2.29 of the *Local Government Act 1995* Councillors John Giardina, Janelle Sewell, Mary Cannon, Sue Bilich, Lisa Cooper and Kathy Ritchie made a declaration before acting in the office. The declaration was made before the Hon. Michael Murray AM QC.

3.2. Election of Mayor

The election of the Mayor was undertaken in accordance with Schedule 2.3, Division 1, of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

The Chief Executive Office received one nomination prior to the meeting from Cr Margaret Thomas. The Chief Executive Office called for other nominations for the position of Mayor. Cr John Giardina nominated for the position.

The Chief Executive Officer acted as the returning officer for the election of the Mayor. Councillors were asked to vote for the position of Mayor by secret ballot. The votes cast were counted in the presence of General Counsel, the Governance Adviser and the Executive Assistant to the CEO.

The Chief Executive Officer declared the result as follows:

Cr Margaret Thomas	8
Cr John Giardina	3
Informal	1

Cr Margaret Thomas was elected to the position of Mayor.

3.3. Swearing in of Mayor

In accordance with Section 2.29 of the *Local Government Act 1995* Councillor Margaret Thomas made a declaration before acting as the Mayor. The declaration was made before the Hon. Michael Murray AM QC.

The Chief Executive Officer vacated the chair as presiding member. Cr Thomas presided over the remainder of the meeting.

3.4. Election of Deputy Mayor

The election of the Deputy Mayor was undertaken in accordance with Schedule 2.3, Division 1, of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

The Chief Executive Office called for other nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor. Nomination for the position of Deputy Mayor were received from Cr Dylan O'Connor and Cr Brooke O'Donnell.

The Chief Executive Officer acted as the returning officer for the election of the Deputy Mayor. Councillors were asked to vote for the position of Deputy Mayor by secret ballot. The votes cast counted in the presence of General Counsel, the Governance Adviser and the Executive Assistant to the CEO.

The Chief Executive Officer declared the result as follows:

Cr Dylan O'Connor	7
Cr Brooke O'Donnell	5

Cr Dylan O'Connor was elected to the position of Deputy Mayor.

3.5. Swearing in of Deputy Mayor

In accordance with Section 2.29 of the *Local Government Act 1995* Councillor Dylan O'Connor made a declaration before acting as the Deputy Mayor. The declaration was made before the Hon. Michael Murray AM QC.

4. Public Question Time

4.1 Nil.

5. Matters for Which the Meeting may be Closed

5.1 Nil.

6. Disclosure of Interest

6.1. Disclosure of Financial and Proximity Interests

a. Members must disclose the nature of their interest in matter to be discussed at the meeting. (Section 5.56 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.)

b. Employees must disclose the nature of their interest in reports or advice when giving the report or advice to the meeting. (Section 5.70 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.)

6.1.1 Nil.

6.2. Disclosure of Interest Affecting Impartiality

- a. Members and staff must disclose their interest in matters to be discussed at the meeting in respect of which the member or employee had given or will give advice.

6.2.1 Nil.

7. Petitions/Deputations

7.1 Nil.

8. Councillor Appointments on Committees

8.1 Eastern Metropolitan Regional Council

The appointment of Council delegates to Regional Groups and Management/Advisory Committees is to ensure Council is fully and formally represented at all times.

The Eastern Metropolitan Regional Council meets the fourth Thursday of each month. The City will appoint two Councillors and a Deputy. The Chief Executive Officer is a member of an Advisory Committee and appoints a Director as a member of a Technical Advisory Committee.

Voting Requirements: Absolute Majority

RESOLVED SCM 245/2019

That Council:

1. APPOINT Cr Dylan O'Connor and Cr Lesley Boyd as representatives on the East Metropolitan Regional Council for the period 22 October 2019 to 15 October 2021.
2. APPOINT Cr Cameron Blair as deputy representatives on the East Metropolitan Regional Council for the period 22 October 2019 to 15 October 2021.

Moved: **Cr Dylan O'Connor**

Seconded: **Cr Lesley Boyd**

Vote: **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (12/0)**

9. Attachments

The attachments were as presented in the Agenda.

10. Closure

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the Meeting closed at 7:33 pm.

I confirm these Minutes to be a true and accurate record of the proceedings of this Council.

Signed: _____
Presiding Member

Dated this _____ day of _____ 2019.