

MINUTES

Sustainability Advisory Committee

MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON

MEETING DATE



THURSDAY, 21 AUGUST 2008

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MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN CONFERENCE ROOM 2, JOONDALUP CIVIC CENTRE, BOAS AVENUE, JOONDALUP ON THURSDAY, 21 AUGUST 2008.

ATTENDANCE

Committee Members:

Cr Brian Corr	Presiding Person	
Cr Mike Norman	Deputy Presiding Person	
Mr Steve Magyar	Community Representative	<i>to 1915 hrs</i>
Mr Rainer Repke	Community Representative	
Mr Brett Dorney	Community Representative	
Mr John Chester	Community Representative	
Mr Peter Jacoby	Community Representative	

Officers:

Mr Ian Cowie	Director, Governance & Strategy
Ms Rhonda Hardy	Manager, Strategic Development
Mr Mark Tucek	Environmental Development Coordinator
Mrs Jill Hewison	Administrative Secretary, Governance & Marketing

DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Presiding Person declared the meeting open at 1814 hrs.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apologies: Cr Russ Fishwick
Cr Albert Jacob
Ms Ute Goeft
Mr Alan Green

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 19 JUNE 2008

MOVED Cr Norman SECONDED Mr Repke that the minutes of the meeting of the Sustainability Advisory Committee held on 19 June 2008 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

The Motion was Put and

CARRIED (7/0)

In favour of the motion: Crs Corr & Norman, Mr Magyar, Mr Repke, Mr Dorney, Mr Chester, & Mr Jacoby

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING PERSON WITHOUT DISCUSSION

The Presiding Person provided an update on the resolutions which were carried at the Council meeting on 5 August 2008 in regard to Items CJ149-08/08, CJ150-08/08, CJ151-08/08 and CJ152-08/08. A resolution was carried that all reports should go to Council in the first instance. In this regard the following three reports requested at the June meeting of Sustainability Advisory Committee (SAC) will now go to Council:

- a report in relation to stormwater outfalls at Sorrento Beach;
- a report on how floodlighting is managed at the City's parks and sporting facilities;
- a report on streetlighting times.

In response to an email received (Attachment 1 refers) by the Presiding Person dated 20 August 2008 with regard to training, the Presiding Person advised committee members that officers can assist with wording of a motion if required.

The Presiding Person also advised that items discussed at Committee meetings can come from SAC, Council or officers.

At the request of the Presiding Person the Director, Governance and Strategy provided an update on street lighting and environmental initiatives – (Attachment 2 refers).

The Presiding Person introduced Mr Mark Tucek, who has recently taken on the role of Environmental Development Coordinator at the City of Joondalup.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil.

IDENTIFICATION OF MATTERS FOR WHICH THE MEETING MAY SIT BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

Nil.

PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Nil.

REPORTS

In light of Council's resolution in relation to the reports requested by the Sustainability Advisory Committee (which was that reports should go to Council in the first instance) no reports were available for presentation at this meeting.

PROCEDURAL MOTION - THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED

MOVED Cr Norman **SECONDED** Mr Repke that Standing Orders be suspended and that the Meeting **ADJOURN** for a period of fifteen (15) minutes.

The Procedural Motion was Put and

CARRIED (6/1)

In favour of the motion: Crs Corr & Norman, Mr Repke, Mr Dorney, Mr Chester & Mr Jacoby **Against the motion:** Mr Magyar

The Meeting **ADJOURNED** at 1830 hrs and **RESUMED** at 1847 hrs.

MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

NOTICE OF MOTION – MR S MAGYAR – ENERGY AND SOCIETY

In accordance with Clause 26 of Standing Orders Local Law 2005, Mr Magyar has given notice of his intention to move the following motion at the Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting to be held on 21 August 2008:

“That the Sustainability Advisory Committee gives consideration to the question of energy and society, and gives advice to the Council on the long term sustainability implications of the rising costs of all fuels to both the operations of the City and to the lifestyles of the residents of the City of Joondalup.”

Reason for Motion

Mr Magyar submitted the following comment in support of his Notice of Motion:

“There is considerable public debate about fuel prices and the recent cut to the State’s natural gas supply. These events have brought to the public’s attention the need to have sound long term plans to deal with the question of energy and society.

Does local government have any role to play in these issues, and if so what are they, and in particular regarding the leadership role of Council and Elected Members in the community?

Attached is a copy of an online opinion article and forum regarding part of these issues. The attachment suggests that parts of the general community have a better understanding than some former politicians of these problems.

There is a need to enable the Sustainability Advisory Committee to assist Council in developing reliable plans for the future.

This motion is intended to commence a process to address a key sustainability issue.”

Officer’s Comment

Giving consideration to the question of energy and society is an extremely broad Notice of Motion which could involve an extensive amount of work.

It is noted that the Sustainability Advisory Committee previously considered the issue of peak oil fairly extensively.

Finally, it is noted that the Sustainability Advisory Committee’s role is to advise Council, not to assist Council in the development of plans.

MOVED Mr Magyar SECONDED Mr Repke that the Sustainability Advisory Committee gives consideration to the question of energy and society, and gives advice to the Council on the long term sustainability implications of the rising costs of all fuels to both the operations of the City and to the lifestyles of the residents of the City of Joondalup.

Discussion ensued.

After consultation with the Mover and Seconder, the meeting agreed that the Motion be **WITHDRAWN**

REQUESTS FOR REPORTS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

The following reports were requested:

MOVED Mr Magyar SECONDED Cr Norman that the Sustainability Advisory Committee conduct at its next meeting a workshop to examine:

- 1 the Sustainable Cities August 2005 Report and the Sustainability Charter from the Commonwealth of Australia's House of Representatives Standing Committee on Environment and Heritage;**
- 2 the Endangered State of Australian Cities: Climate Threat and Urban Response Report (Source: Urban Research Program, Griffith University) (Attachment 3 refers);**
- 3 the Unsettling Suburbia: The New Landscape of Oil and Mortgage Vulnerability in Australian Cities Report (Source: Urban Research Program Research Paper No. 17 Griffith University) (Attachment 4 refers);**
- 4 the Peak Oil Action Plan and Peak Oil Policy – Maribyrnong City Council, Melbourne Victoria**

for the purpose of examining relevance of those reports to the City of Joondalup.

The Motion was Put and

CARRIED (7/0)

In favour of the motion: Crs Corr & Norman, Mr Magyar, Mr Repke, Mr Dorney, Mr Chester, & Mr Jacoby

MOVED Mr Repke SECONDED Mr Magyar that a report be requested on the preparedness of the City of Joondalup to handle emergencies for the City and its residents.

The Motion was Put and

CARRIED (7/0)

In favour of the motion: Crs Corr & Norman, Mr Magyar, Mr Repke, Mr Dorney, Mr Chester, & Mr Jacoby

Mr Magyar left the Room, the time being 1915 hrs.

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Presiding Person declared the Meeting closed at 1916 hrs; the following committee members being present at that time:

Cr Brian Corr
Cr Mike Norman
Mr Rainer Repke
Mr Brett Dorney
Mr John Chester
Mr Peter Jacoby