

minutes

Special Meeting of Electors

MEETING HELD ON

THURSDAY 10 MARCH 2022

CITY OF JOONDALUP

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF ELECTORS HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, JOONDALUP CIVIC CENTRE, BOAS AVENUE, JOONDALUP ON THURSDAY 10 MARCH 2022

OPEN AND WELCOME

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 7.00pm.

ATTENDANCES

Mayor:

HON. ALBERT JACOB, JP

Councillors:

CR TOM MCLEAN, JP	North Ward	
CR ADRIAN HILL	North Ward	
CR NIGE JONES	North Central Ward	
CR DANIEL KINGSTON	North Central Ward	
CR CHRISTOPHER MAY	Central Ward	
CR SUZANNE THOMPSON	South Ward	
CR RUSS FISHWICK, JP	South Ward	
CR JOHN RAFTIS	South-West Ward	<i>absent from 8.19pm to 8.21pm</i>
CR CHRISTINE HAMILTON-PRIME, JP	South-West Ward	
CR JOHN LOGAN	South-East Ward	
CR JOHN CHESTER	South-East Ward	

Officers:

MR JAMES PEARSON	Chief Executive Officer	<i>absent from 7.10pm to 7.15pm</i>
MRS REBECCA MACCARIO	Acting Director Governance and Strategy	<i>absent from 8.28pm to 8.35pm</i> <i>absent from 8.50pm to 8.56pm</i>
MR CHRIS LEIGH	Director Planning and Community Development	
MR NICO CLAASSEN	Director Infrastructure Services	<i>absent from 7.15pm to 7.22pm</i> <i>absent from 8.17pm to 8.19pm</i> <i>absent from 8.50pm to 8.52pm</i>
MR MAT HUMFREY	Director Corporate Services	<i>absent from 7.19pm to 7.22pm</i> <i>absent from 7.35pm to 7.39pm</i>
MR DANIEL DAVINI	Media Advisor	
MRS DEBORAH GOUGES	Governance Officer	
MRS WENDY COWLEY	Governance Officer	

There were 106 members of the public in attendance and one member of the press in attendance.

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apology

Cr Russell Poliwka.

Leave of Absence previously approved

Cr John Logan 17 to 21 March 2022 inclusive.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Under section 5.28 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, electors of the City of Joondalup (if greater than 100 signatures) can request a Special Meeting of Electors to be held.

The City of Joondalup on 8 February 2022 received a request to hold a Special Electors Meeting to discuss the following matters:

- The effect of mandatory vaccination on electors, ratepayers, residents, and business in the district.
- The effect of mandatory vaccination on the local government's affairs and the performance of the local government's functions.
- Motions to be voted on for an advocacy position against mandatory vaccination for Council to consider adopting to provide leadership and guidance to the community in the district.

The Mayor advised the meeting was held in accordance with Section 5.28 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

The meeting was advertised as follows:

- In *Perth Now* newspaper on 24 February 2022.
- Weekly Facebook posts.
- Public notices on the City's website and public notice boards.

The Mayor commented that any questions raised at the Special Meeting of Electors would be responded to and questions requiring a more detailed response would be taken on notice.

The following questions were submitted prior to the Special Meeting of Electors:**Mr Abbott, Joondalup:**

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Q1 Why should I incur a heavy financial loss, forced to restrict paying customers from attending exercise classes aimed at promoting a healthier lifestyle and overall physical wellbeing because of a blanket restriction on my industry, which has been reversed for other industries?

*A1 A State of Emergency has been declared in Western Australia under the *Emergency Management Act 2005* and a Public Health Emergency under the *Public Health Act 2016*. These declarations were made as a result of the coronavirus pandemic ([COVID-19 coronavirus: State of Emergency information \(www.wa.gov.au\)](https://www.wa.gov.au)).*

The State Government has introduced relevant Directions to prevent the spread of COVID-19 under this legislation and are part of law, made by elected members of the Western Australian Parliament.

The City, like many businesses and premises within Western Australia, has a legislative obligation to comply with the relevant Directions.

Q2 Why does the government not compensate me better for the loss of income resulting from following the enforcements?

A2 The West Australian government has announced a series of grant programs to support businesses who have been impacted by public health and social measures in response to COVID-19. These grants are administered through the Small Business Development Corporation who can provide advice and assistance relating to eligibility and application processes through their website (<https://www.smallbusiness.wa.gov.au/coronavirus/grants>) or via the Advisory Helpline (133140).

Ms Petrus, Padbury:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Q1 Where do you get the authority to ask or direct your customers to wear masks under the Privacy Act 1988?

*A1 A State of Emergency has been declared in Western Australia under the *Emergency Management Act 2005* and a Public Health Emergency under the *Public Health Act 2016*. These declarations were made as a result of the coronavirus pandemic ([COVID-19 coronavirus: State of Emergency information \(www.wa.gov.au\)](https://www.wa.gov.au)).*

The State Government have introduced relevant Directions to prevent the spread of COVID-19 under this legislation and are part of law.

The City, like many businesses and premises within Western Australia, has a legislative obligation to comply with the relevant Directions that are introduced by the State Government.

Q2 *Where do you get your authority to enforce or rely on any law created by a state or commonwealth which is not in agreement with Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia 1901 and Biosecurity Act 2015?*

A2 Refer to A1. In addition, the *Emergency Management Act 2005* states that a person must comply with the Directions, despite the provisions of any other written law.

Q3 *Where do you get your authority to discriminate and refuse entry to your customers under a Public Health Act of our state when we have not been given a direct public health order by a registered medical practitioner?*

A3 Refer to A1.

Q4 *Where do you get your authority for you or your employees to make an assessment of a person's health status to deny entry to a premises open to the public?*

A4 Refer to A1.

Q5 *Where do you get your authority to refuse entry to your premises or services to customers who refuse to wear a mask or have stated a valid exemption to wear a mask which is a medical device, and are you making these demands in your capacity as a registered medical officer?*

A5 Refer to A1. In addition, the relevant Directions on the wearing of masks contain certain exemptions. Suitable evidence is required to be provided regarding any exemption.

Ms Elliott, Kinross:

Re: *COVID-19 Mandates.*

Q1 *As an employer, is the City of Joondalup liable for damages caused to staff members in your workplace as a result of vaccination injuries?*

A1 Liability for the affects of Covid-19 vaccinations is a matter for the relevant State and Federal authorities.

Q2 *As an employer, is the City of Joondalup aware that there is no long term safety studies on Covid vaccines and there could be a high risk in long term health impact on employees that were forced to accept the covid vaccine-associated?*

A2 Research on vaccines for the purpose of public health measures is a matter for the relevant State and Federal health authorities.

Q3 *As you are following State of Emergency to mandate vaccines at your workplace, are you aware that Australia has recorded 12 times more deaths in 10 months due to the Covid-19 Vaccines than deaths due to all other vaccines combined in 51 years?*

A3 Refer to A2.

- Q4 *According to Section 23 of OHS Act WA, adequate information must be given to any person to whom the product is provided about the purpose for which it was manufactured, test results and any conditions necessary to ensure that when used for its intended purpose it is safe and without risks to health and safety. As an employer, have you taken such steps to ensure your employees have been informed of the above aspects of the drug administered?*
- A4 The City follows advice provided by the Department of Health (WA) and encourages employees who have questions or concerns about potential side effects of COVID-19 vaccines, to speak with their doctor.
- Q5 *Are you aware that it is a potential breach of the Occupational Health and Safety/Work Health and Safety Act for failure to provide a safe workplace considering increased incidences in vaccine adverse reactions on site with potential fatalities?*
- A5 The City of Joondalup is committed to protecting the safety and health of our workforce, by promoting safe work practices during the COVID-19 pandemic, and is guided by the relevant government agencies, including the Department of Health (WA).

Mr Cox, Padbury:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

- Q1 *Can the City please provide evidence that wearing a mask (medical device) is 100% safe and 100% effective in stopping the spread of a disease or alleged virus? When the World Health Organization provides guidelines for mask wearing with the following statements:*
- *Masks should be reserved for medical workers, and*
 - *There is currently no evidence that wearing a mask by healthy person can prevent them from infection with respiratory viruses, including COVID-19, and*
 - *The potential harms of wearing a mask include:*
 - *increased risk of self-contamination*
 - *masks produce favourable conditions for microorganism to amplify*
 - *headaches and/or breathing difficulties*
 - *facial skin lesions, dermatitis, acne*
 - *difficulty with communication;*
 - *false sense of security;*
 - *waste management hazards [bio security issues]*
- A1 The City, like many businesses and premises within Western Australia, has a legislative obligation to comply with the relevant Directions that are introduced by the State Government.

The relevant Directions on the wearing of masks contain certain exemptions. Suitable evidence is required to be provided in regard to any exemption.

- Q2 *Can the City please provide evidence under the Public Health Act, where your business or services have been issued a public health direction from the minister or medical officer which clearly states the name, location and duration of the order?*
- A2 A State of Emergency has been declared in Western Australia under the *Emergency Management Act 2005* and a Public Health Emergency under the *Public Health Act 2016*. These declarations were made as a result of the coronavirus pandemic and further information can be found at [COVID-19 coronavirus: State of Emergency information \(www.wa.gov.au\)](http://www.wa.gov.au).
- The State Government have introduced relevant Directions to prevent the spread of COVID-19 under these legislations and are part of law.
- Q3 *Can the City please provide a detailed explanation of why it has made a decision to do either of the following:*
- 3.1 *Ignore a direct public health order to you or your business and continue to allow customers into a premises which has been given instruction to reduce a risk, segregate or isolate inhabitants from the area or prevent access to a known risk?*
or
- 3.2 *Act as if a direct public health order has been issued and impersonate a medical officer to enforce customers to wear a medical device as a condition of entry to your premises?*
- A3 The City, like many businesses and premises within Western Australia, has a legislative obligation to comply with the relevant Directions that are introduced by the State Government in relation to the Covid pandemic.
- Q4 *Where does the City get the authority to discriminate under the United Nations Universal Declaration on Human Rights which states; Article 5 - No one shall be subjected to torture or to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment?*
- A4 The relevant Directions to prevent the spread of COVID-19 are part of law. The *Emergency Management Act 2005* states that a person must comply with the Directions, despite the provisions of any other written law.

Ms Van Dyke, Connolly:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

- Q1 *In relation to the Premier's Covid update from 18 February 2022, does the City of Joondalup, by implementing and enforcing all the mandates knowingly taking part in the Western Australian Government's experimentation on living men, women and children of the community?*
- A1 A State of Emergency has been declared in Western Australia under the *Emergency Management Act 2005* and a Public Health Emergency under the *Public Health Act 2016*. These declarations were made as a result of the coronavirus pandemic. ([COVID-19 coronavirus: State of Emergency information \(www.wa.gov.au\)](http://www.wa.gov.au)).

The State Government has introduced relevant Directions to prevent the spread of COVID-19 under this legislation and are part of law.

The City, like many businesses and premises within Western Australia, has a legislative obligation to comply with the relevant Directions that are introduced by the State Government.

Q2 *If the City of Joondalup is complying to Health Orders, please show us how enforcing health orders are lawful without every living man, woman and child's consent?*

A2 Refer to A1.

Q3 *Is WA Police peace officers, there to serve living men/women/children where their function is to keep the peace?*

A3 Questions about the role and purpose of the WA Police and/or its officers should be directed to the WA Police.

Q4 *The public Servants have a Fiduciary Duty to serve the Beneficiaries of the Trust in common law (living men, women, and children). It is the responsibility of the private people to oversee their Trust, and their Public Servant employees, for the good of that community and nation. How is the City performing these obligations, when it is condoning the exclusion of people in the community from active use and participation in their communities?*

A4 Refer to A1.

The Chief Executive Officer left the Chamber at 7.10pm.

The following questions were submitted verbally in respect to the purpose of the Special Meeting of Electors:

Mr Van Zuylen, Ocean Reef:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Q1 *The Federal Crime Act 268, states that no Australian citizen can be forced to take a drug that is not approved, that is an experimental drug, and the penalties for that are a minimum of 17 years up to 25 years and life imprisonment. As an employer is the City of Joondalup liable for damages caused to employees as a result of vaccination injuries?*

A1 The Acting Director Governance and Strategy advised the City like many other businesses in Western Australia are required to comply with the Directions from the State Government, including those for vaccine mandates. The City does encourage staff to seek medical advice and encourages employees to speak to their medical professionals if they have any queries in relation to vaccinations.

Ms Kampfhenkel, Edgewater:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Q1 *Is the City aware of the requirement to undertake a risk assessment when introducing a mandatory vaccination policy, and has this risk assessment been done prior to introducing the policy?*

A1 The Acting Director Governance and Strategy advised the City are required to follow the State Directions in this regard, it is not the City's role to be undertaking research on the vaccinations for the purpose of Public Health measures, it is a matter for the relevant State and Federal Governments and not something that the City can participate in.

The Chief Executive Officer entered the Chamber at 7.15pm.

The Director Infrastructure Services left the Chamber at 7.15pm.

Mr Van Zuylen, Ocean Reef:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Q2 *Is Council aware that the Federal Government has not imposed any vaccination mandates for people serving in the Royal Australian Air Force, Royal Australian Navy, Australian Army and employees of the Federal Government?*

A2 The Chief Executive Officer advised the City is operating under the laws of Western Australia and the position taken by the Federal Government is not relevant to the Directions that apply to the City of Joondalup on this matter.

Mr Murphy, Edgewater:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Q1 *Who authorised the City's security officer to obtain medical information from those people wanting to attend tonight's meeting?*

A1 The Chief Executive Officer advised the City has the authority to maintain a COVID safe environment including the appropriate wearing of masks which is mandated by the law of the State. Enlisting an Officer to assist with the sighting of 'wearing of mask exemptions' is an appropriate measure in order to facilitate that the City follows the Directions.

Q2 *How long will the COVID medical information register from this evening's meeting be retained?*

A2 The Chief Executive Officer advised that the 'Mask Exemption Register' will be disposed of at the conclusion of the meeting.

The Director Corporate Services left the Chamber at 7.19pm.

The following statements in respect to the purpose of the Special Meeting of Electors were submitted verbally:

Mr Pacey, Kinross:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Mr Pacey addressed the elected members and explained the personal impact Covid mandates have had on his family, with three members of his family having to leave their jobs and his son leaving his volunteer position through the forced mandates for people to be vaccinated. Mr Pacey said the State Government is not showing any true scientific evidence to back up the necessity for these mandates, despite the many requests.

Mr Pacey explained that there is plenty of scientific evidence freely available from recognised medical experts involved in the creation of the vaccines who have warned of the many deaths and injuries that will occur unless the roll out of the vaccine is stopped.

Mr Pacey stated if the Covid virus does exist it is little more than a cold or a flu and 99% of people if contracting the virus will recover, and only the vulnerable will require to be isolated, and the remainder of people in society should be able to go about their everyday life, and not endure the segregation that is currently being felt in the community.

The Director Corporate Services entered the Chamber at 7.22pm.

The Director Infrastructure Services entered the Chamber at 7.22pm.

Mr Perez Navas-Parego, Greenwood:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Mr Perez thanked the City for hosting the Special Electors' meeting so that the community's concerns on vaccine mandates can be heard, and an understanding of how the mandates have impacted those who are vaccinated and unvaccinated.

Mr Perez explained that both the *Public Health Act 2016* and the *Emergency Management Act 2005 (WA)* are both state based legislations, although the vaccine mandates have been rolled out on a local level and affects people and businesses within the City of Joondalup.

Mr Perez went on to say that businesses are now experiencing economic losses and unvaccinated residents are being punished and cannot participate in daily activities such as; attending fitness classes, dining out, attending entertaining and sporting venues to name a few.

Mr Perez said that people choosing not to be vaccinated have been discriminated against and a division in the community exists and has resulted in an enormous cost to businesses, families and individuals.

Mr Perez addressed elected members, asking respectfully that Council listen to the community's concerns and act on their behalf and stop the Covid vaccine mandates.

Dr Ward, Currambine:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Dr Ward said that she worked at Joondalup hospital until her employment was terminated due to the Covid vaccine mandates. Dr Ward expressed her concerns of the Covid vaccine, explaining that the vaccine is a new gene therapy that has caused serious harm and death in people and the long-term effects are unknown.

Dr Ward said that there are Commonwealth and International laws that state that consent for any medical procedures must be given voluntarily and in the absence of coercion. Dr Ward went on to say that many people have taken the Covid injection under duress, as they believed that there was no choice, as people needed to provide and support for their families.

Dr Ward explained people that have not given into the coercion are grossly discriminated against in many areas including access to; employment, travel, cafés, gyms, aged care homes and hospitals to name a few.

Dr Ward urged Council to consider whether it is right to support the vaccine mandates and asked the elected members to be a voice for safety, freedom and fairness.

Mrs Jardine, Warwick:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Mrs Jardine explained that she and her husband are business owners of a café in Warwick for the past 23 years, over that time they have been active in the community supporting numerous sporting clubs and school events.

Mrs Jardine said that the past two years during the Covid pandemic it has been an extremely difficult time with employee numbers dropping from 25 to 12 staff, and these difficulties are being experienced across the business community.

Mrs Jardine explained that the media and State Government have made people so frightened of catching the virus that they will not leave their homes, in addition recently Pfizer released a report outlining various adverse reactions from taking the experimental drug, it would seem that the long-term effects of this injection, will outweigh the benefits.

Mrs Jardine said that their business is slowly dying, with profits down 50% and the loss of catering contracts due to staff shortages, the business has been reduced to takeaways and limited seating.

Mrs Jardine urged elected members to end the Covid mandates, and let people get back to work and stop the segregation in the community.

Miss Tween, no suburb given:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Miss Tween said that she is a university student undertaking a double degree in law and global security and expressed that it is time for people to tell the rest of Western Australia that this is a democracy and making decisions about one's own body should be a personal choice.

Miss Tween explained that she was faced with an impossible decision recently like many others, to choose to either stand by her morals and her human rights and not take the Covid vaccine or leave university.

Miss Tween expressed sadness that she had to say goodbye to a career, where she could truly make a difference in society and protect others' human rights.

Miss Tween stated that elected members are in a position where they can change the narrative and lead the revolution to fight for people's human rights, as the community needs strong leaders now more than ever.

Ms Crawford, Duncraig:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Ms Crawford advised that she recently had a battle with cancer and more recently a far bigger battle for her and her family's freedoms, and now facing the totalitarian overreach of the State government creating division and segregation in society. Ms Crawford went on to say this division has led to unvaccinated people being ridiculed, ignored, verbally abused, discriminated against, censored and made to feel like criminals.

Ms Crawford a former nurse stated that she did her due diligence on the effects of the Covid vaccine and there are serious adverse effects resulting from the vaccine. Mr Crawford knows personally of several people with Myocarditis and other injuries resulted from taking the Covid vaccine.

Ms Crawford advised that her husband was forced to take the injection recently having exhausted his long service leave and requiring to provide financially for his family.

Mr Duane, Ocean Reef:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Mr Duane a Cybersecurity consultant stated that the City of Joondalup is considered the Cybersecurity capital of Australia, and there are many Cybersecurity initiatives that encourages the confidentiality of information.

Mr Duane went on to say that when the State Government introduced the SafeWA application (app), it was assured by the State that only contract tracer personnel would access the information, the confidence in the app's ability to keep people's information confidential was quickly lost, when police issued multiple notices for the Department of Health to hand over businesses' check-in information.

Mr Duane expressed it is nobody's business except for his doctors on what medical treatments he has received or not received, in particular hospitality workers requesting to see proof of vaccinations.

Mr Duane requested that the City of Joondalup remains consistent in their initiatives to keep a person's information confidential, rather than encouraging discrimination and access to personal sensitive information.

The Director Corporate Services left the Chamber at 7.35pm.

Ms Gould, Iluka:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Ms Gould read a statement provided by Dr Judy Wilyman a public health expert with a PhD from the University of Wollongong, who has presented her research on both the influenza vaccine and on the validity of the mandatory vaccination policy at local and international conferences.

Ms Gould explained that the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) states that the injections labelled Covid-19 vaccines do not prevent the transmission of Covid-19 disease in the community and the vaccines do not prevent you getting or dying from this disease, these vaccines are falsely labelled as there is no drug proven to prevent the disease. It was added, it has been well documented that after only 12 months of use, that this new gene technology is not safe for many people, there are many deaths and illnesses per day due to the Covid vaccines.

Ms Gould highlighted that injuries from the injection include; life threatening heart problems, anaphylaxis, neurological damage, strokes, paralysis, blood clots and predicted infertility to name a few. This list only includes the reactions that appear within days of the injections because doctors are not permitted to put vaccine as a cause of reactions or death that occur months or years later.

Ms Gould concluded stating that the Covid injection has many documented known risks and many unknown risks because it is a novel gene modification technology that has the potential to alter DNA itself.

The Director Corporate Services entered the Chamber at 7.39pm.

Mr Leyland, Burns Beach:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Mr Leyland said that no one knows the long-term effect of the Covid injections, adding that it normally takes 12 years for a vaccine to be approved by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA), these vaccines took seven months.

Mr Leyland explained that this year Pfizer were forced to release their data in the first 90 days of their global vaccination program. Mr Leyland added that it was reported that the vaccine killed 1,223 people plus 270 spontaneous abortions, yet the roll out of the vaccine has carried on for a further 12 months. Mr Leyland stated that in addition, Pfizer has admitted to 1,600 medical side effects. Furthermore, last month the Australian Bureau of Statistics confirmed that 220 people have sadly died from Covid, and another 2,300 deaths have now been reclassified as dying with Covid but their deaths were caused by something else.

Mr Leyland advised that there is no valid reason to vaccinate anyone who is not at risk of the disease. Mr Leyland added that the vaccines have low efficacy and are potentially very harmful. People must not be coerced in taking the vaccine in order to keep their jobs and people should be left to enjoy the prior freedoms experienced in our society.

Ms Hope, Beldon:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Ms Hope urged elected members to think critically, investigate and advocate for the electorate to encourage State and Federal governments to stop the Covid mandates that are affecting the community.

Ms Hope stated that if all the Council can do is parrot and reinforce the mandates, it would appear that the local level of government is obsolete.

Mrs Murphy, Edgewater:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Mrs Murphy explained that the community are aware that the medical mandates are a State Government initiative, and the City in the past has used this as an excuse not to address the community's concerns.

Mrs Murphy highlighted that local governments are to abide by the *Local Government Act 1995* (Act), and the Act reinforces; better decision making, greater communication, community participation and decisions, greater accountability. Mrs Murphy stated this is why people are participating in this meeting to encourage Council to refuse to take part in discrimination and segregation and protect the rights of the community.

Mrs Murphy said in accordance with the Australian Human Rights Commission (AHRC) discrimination happens when a person or a group of people is treated less favourably than another person or group, because of their background or personal characteristics, this is known as direct discrimination.

Mrs Murphy concluded by saying that there is no doubt that the Covid mandates and the effects on the community are an act of discrimination in accordance with AHRC.

Mr McDonald, Currambine:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Mr McDonald, a resident and a former Senior Constable who served in the WA Police force for ten years, thanked Council for giving the community the opportunity to have their voices heard at the meeting tonight.

Mr McDonald urged elected members to vote against discrimination, adding that this is a moral and ethical vote, it is a vote for advocacy, a vote of unity and a vote that will be remembered in the history books for all the right reasons.

Mr McDonald explained over the past six months the community have endured State government restrictions and mandates for the one purpose to drive up vaccination rates. Mr McDonald added that the powers in the *Emergency Management Act 2005* and *Public Health Act 2016* do not support the coercion and punishment that has been experienced.

Mr McDonald urged elected members to stop the punishment and discrimination being felt in the community. Mr McDonald went on to say that true leadership is determined by a person's actions, and leading and not following.

Ms Twine, Currambine:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Ms Twine, a former General Inspector with the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (RSPCA) and who has previously served in the WA Police force for 12.5 years, in both these positions she provided ongoing public service to the community, attending unthinkable scenes not limited but including car accidents, suicides, violent domestics, homicides, and unimaginable acts of animal cruelty.

Ms Twine said that she has been assaulted, abused and risked her life for the community that she loves and now she has been discarded and excluded from society over a medical decision about her own body. Ms Twine said that the WA Premier has used derogatory terms and labelled people who oppose medical mandates.

Ms Twine said that in recent weeks Covid cases have skyrocketed within the community and it has become more evident that there is no justification for these medical mandates to continue any longer, and asks the elected members to support these motions, sending a clear message that the Council do not support segregation and discrimination in the City of Joondalup.

Mr Aldersea, Ocean Reef:

Re: COVID-19 Mandates.

Mr Aldersea said he is a resident and former career firefighter for over 31 years and former prison officer who has put his life on the line over the years attending many incidents within the district of Joondalup.

Mr Aldersea stated that he chooses not to take the Covid vaccine and this choice has come at a cost with losing his job and financially being affected to the sum of \$600,000 in lost income and superannuation.

Mr Aldersea said this is the City of Joondalup's chance to become a beacon within Perth, to stand tall and not hide behind the WA Premier's mandates. Mr Aldersea encouraged elected members to make a change and end the segregation present in the community.

The Mayor advised that motions raised at the Special Meeting of Electors would be considered by Council at its meeting to be held on Tuesday 19 April 2022.

The Mayor invited Electors to move motions and commenced by inviting those Electors who had registered to move motions on the 'Order of Speakers' register to come forward when called.

MOTION 1 – Mr I Selent, Edgewater:

MOVED Ivo Selent SECONDED Bert Van Zuylen that the Electors of the City of Joondalup REQUEST that Council adopt an advocacy position statement called the 'COVID-19 Vaccination Pro-Choice Statement – Part 1' with the content:

- 1 That no person shall or should be:**
 - 1.1 prevented from performing work or receiving income on the basis of vaccination status;**
 - 1.2 discriminated against on the basis of vaccination status;**
 - 1.3 coerced or manipulated into the need for vaccination for any reason;**
 - 1.4 deprived of any Statutory and Regulatory benefits on the basis of vaccination status;**
 - 1.5 restricted access to premises on the basis of vaccination status;**
 - 1.6 restricted in any form of community participation on the basis of vaccination status;**
 - 1.7 required to provide evidence for any reason of vaccination status;**
 - and/or;**
 - 1.8 subject to anything under written law that a person who differs in vaccination status is not;**
- 2 Glossary of Terms and Definitions, as follows:**
 - 2.1 Access - means to enter, or remain at a premises;**
 - 2.2 Approved COVID-19 vaccine - means:**
 - 2.2.1 any vaccine that has been approved by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) for use in Australia for the purpose of vaccinating persons against COVID-19 or any mutations and derivatives thereof;**
 - and/or;**
 - 2.2.2 any other vaccine specified by the Chief Health Officer, or any other person authorised by the Chief Health Officer for that purpose, as an approved COVID-19 vaccine;**

- 2.3 Premises - has the same meaning that it has in the *Public Health Act 2016 (WA)*;
- 2.4 Vaccine - does not mean the medical terminology as defined in medical journals, but is the generic term in the context of COVID-19 as referred to by the Therapeutic Goods Administration and the Chief Health Officer and Government Officials, and publications and statements made and issued under their auspices;
- 2.5 Vaccination status - means whether a person is not vaccinated or has been vaccinated;
- 2.6 Not vaccinated - means that the person has not been administered with any dose of an approved COVID-19 vaccine;
- 2.7 Vaccinated - means that the person has been administered with any prescribed doses of an approved COVID-19 vaccine.

Eight Electors spoke to the Motion. No Electors spoke in dissent.

The Motion was Put and

CARRIED

The Director Infrastructure Services left the Chamber at 8.17 and returned at 8.19pm.

Cr Raftis left the Chamber at 8.19pm and returned at 8.21pm.

MOTION 2 – Ms B Gould, Iluka:

MOVED Bettina Gould, SECONDED Nadja Kampfhenkel, that the Electors of the City of Joondalup REQUEST that Council adopt an advocacy position statement called the ‘COVID-19 Vaccination Pro-Choice Statement – Part 2’ with the content:

- 1 That the Local Government shall:
- 1.1 not restrict any function, property, or service of the Local Government based on vaccination status;
- and;
- 1.2 as far as practicable redeploy or reinstate employees of the local government that risk termination or have been terminated on the basis of vaccination status;
- 1.3 honour all obligations under contract for all persons adversely impacted as a consequence of inferred mandatory requirement for vaccination;
- and;

- 1.4 establish means to compensate Local Government employees that have lost income as a consequence of termination on the basis of vaccination status;
- 2 Glossary of Terms and Definitions, as follows:
- 2.1 Access - means to enter, or remain at a premises;
- 2.2 Approved COVID-19 vaccine means:
- 2.2.1 any vaccine that has been approved by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) for use in Australia for the purpose of vaccinating persons against COVID-19 or any mutations and derivatives thereof;
and/or;
- 2.2.2 any other vaccine specified by the Chief Health Officer, or any other person authorised by the Chief Health Officer for that purpose, as an approved COVID-19 vaccine;
- 2.3 Premises - has the same meaning that it has in the *Public Health Act 2016 (WA)*;
- 2.4 Vaccine - does not mean the medical terminology as defined in medical journals, but is the generic term in the context of COVID-19 as referred to by the Therapeutic Goods Administration and the Chief Health Officer and Government Officials, and publications and statements made and issued under their auspices;
- 2.5 Vaccination status - means whether a person is not vaccinated or has been vaccinated;
- 2.6 Not vaccinated - means that the person has not been administered with any dose of an approved COVID-19 vaccine;
- 2.7 Vaccinated - means that the person has been administered with any prescribed doses of an approved COVID-19 vaccine.

Eight Electors spoke to the Motion. No Electors spoke in dissent.

The Motion was Put and

CARRIED

The Acting Director Governance and Strategy left the Chamber at 8.28pm and entered the Chamber at 8.35pm.

MOTION 3 – Ms R Pizzey, Woodvale:

MOVED Rebecca Pizzey, SECONDED Corinne Gonser that the Electors of the City of Joondalup REQUEST that Council adopt an advocacy position statement called the ‘COVID-19 Vaccination Pro-Choice Statement – Part 3’ with the content:

- 1 That the Local Government actively advocate for:**
 - 1.1 the removal the COVID-19 mandatory vaccination policy and any associated directions made under the Public Health Act 2016 (WA);**
and;
 - 1.2 the repeal of any mandate or written law, or, anything done under any mandate or written law that conflicts with this position statement;**
- 2 Glossary of Terms and Definitions, as follows:**
 - 2.1 Access - means to enter, or remain at a premises;**
 - 2.2 Approved COVID-19 vaccine means:**
 - 2.2.1 any vaccine that has been approved by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) for use in Australia for the purpose of vaccinating persons against COVID-19 or any mutations and derivatives thereof;**
and/or;
 - 2.2.2 any other vaccine specified by the Chief Health Officer, or any other person authorised by the Chief Health Officer for that purpose, as an approved COVID-19 vaccine;**
 - 2.3 Premises - has the same meaning that it has in the *Public Health Act 2016* (WA);**
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 - 2.5 Vaccination status - means whether a person is not vaccinated or has been vaccinated;**
 - 2.6 Not vaccinated - means that the person has not been administered with any dose of an approved COVID-19 vaccine;**
 - 2.7 Vaccinated - means that the person has been administered with any prescribed doses of an approved COVID-19 vaccine.**

Three Electors spoke to the Motion. No Electors spoke in dissent.

The Motion was Put and

CARRIED

The Director Infrastructure Services left the Chamber at 8.50pm.

The Acting Director Governance and Strategy left the Chamber at 8.50pm.

MOTION 4 – Mr A Leyland, Burns Beach:

MOVED Andrew Leyland, SECONDED Terry Schaafsma that the Electors of the City of Joondalup REQUEST that Council adopt an advocacy position statement called the ‘COVID-19 Vaccination Pro-Choice Statement – Part 4’ with the content:

- 1 The Local Government in performing an advocacy role will seek the cooperation of:**
 - 1.1 Other Local Governments across the State;**
 - 1.2 Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA);**
 - 1.3 Local Government Professionals WA;**

and;

 - 1.4 Other professional bodies, associations, and business entities;**
- 2 Glossary of Terms and Definitions, as follows:**
 - 2.1 Access - means to enter, or remain at a premises;**
 - 2.2 Approved COVID-19 vaccine means:**
 - 2.2.1 any vaccine that has been approved by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) for use in Australia for the purpose of vaccinating persons against COVID-19 or any mutations and derivatives thereof;**

and/or;

 - 2.2.2 any other vaccine specified by the Chief Health Officer, or any other person authorised by the Chief Health Officer for that purpose, as an approved COVID-19 vaccine;**
 - 2.3 Premises - has the same meaning that it has in the *Public Health Act 2016* (WA);**
 - 2.4 Vaccine - does not mean the medical terminology as defined in medical journals, but is the generic term in the context of COVID-19 as referred to by the Therapeutic Goods Administration and the Chief Health Officer and Government Officials, and publications and statements made and issued under their auspices;**
 - 2.5 Vaccination status - means whether a person is not vaccinated or has been vaccinated;**
 - 2.6 Not vaccinated - means that the person has not been administered with any dose of an approved COVID-19 vaccine;**

2.7 Vaccinated - means that the person has been administered with any prescribed doses of an approved COVID-19 vaccine.

Eight Electors spoke to the Motion. No Electors spoke in dissent.

The Motion was Put and

CARRIED

The Director Infrastructure Services entered the Chamber at 8.52pm.

The Acting Director Governance and Strategy entered the Chamber at 8.56pm.

CLOSURE

There being no further business, Mayor Jacob declared the Special Meeting of Electors closed at 9.04pm. The following Elected Members were present at that time:

MAYOR HON. ALBERT JACOB, JP
CR JOHN CHESTER
CR RUSS FISHWICK, JP
CR CHRISTINE HAMILTON-PRIME, JP
CR ADRIAN HILL
CR NIGE JONES
CR DANIEL KINGSTON
CR JOHN LOGAN
CR CHRISTOPHER MAY
CR TOM MCLEAN, JP
CR JOHN RAFTIS
CR SUZANNE THOMPSON