



# Camden Council Minutes

**Ordinary Council Meeting**  
**9 November 2021**

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# ORDINARY COUNCIL

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## **MEETING COMMENCED AT 6.30PM**

### **PRESENT**

Cr Fedeli (Mayor/Chairperson), Cr A Cagney, Cr C Cagney, Cr Campbell, Cr Farrow, Cr Mills, Cr Morrison, Cr Symkowiak.

### **STAFF**

General Manager, Director Customer & Corporate Strategy, Director Planning & Environment, Director Community Assets, Director Sport, Community & Activation, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Information Officer, Manager Legal & Governance, Manager Corporate Performance & Customer Experience, Acting Manager Assets & Design Services, Acting Manager Public Affairs, Manager Economic Development & Activation, Governance Officer, Governance Administration Officer, Assistant Governance Officer.

### **LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

There were no leaves of absence to be granted.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations to be noted.

### **PUBLIC ADDRESSES**

There were no public addresses to be noted.

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Resolution: Moved Councillor C Cagney, Seconded Councillor A Cagney that the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 12 October 2021 and the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held 14 October 2021, copies of which have been circulated, be confirmed and adopted.

ORD145/21 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

(Councillors Symkowiak, Campbell, Fedeli, C Cagney, A Cagney, Farrow, Mills and Morrison voted in favour of the Motion. No Councillors voted against the Motion.)

### **MAYORAL MINUTE - FINAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE TERM**

Resolution: Moved Councillor Fedeli that Council note the information.

ORD146/21 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

(Councillors Symkowiak, Campbell, Fedeli, C Cagney, A Cagney, Farrow, Mills and Morrison voted in favour of the Motion. No Councillors voted against the Motion.)

### **ORD01 ADOPTION OF ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2021**

Resolution: Moved Councillor Campbell, Seconded Councillor Farrow that Council:

- i. resolve that a representative/s from Council's external auditor, Audit Office of NSW, address Council on the Annual Financial Statements and Financial Performance for the year ending 30 June 2021.

ORD147/21 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

(Councillors Symkowiak, Campbell, Fedeli, C Cagney, A Cagney, Farrow, Mills and Morrison voted in favour of the Motion. No Councillors voted against the Motion.)

Ms Caroline Karakatsanis from the Audit Office of NSW addressed Council on the Financial Statements and financial performance for the year ending 30 June 2021.

Resolution: Moved Councillor Campbell, Seconded Councillor A Cagney that Council:

- ii. adopt the Annual Financial Statements for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2021; and
- iii. write to the Audit Office of NSW, thanking them for their services this year.

ORD148/21 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

(Councillors Symkowiak, Campbell, Fedeli, C Cagney, A Cagney, Farrow, Mills and Morrison voted in favour of the Motion. No Councillors voted against the Motion.)

*(Councillor Fedeli lost connection to the meeting - the time being 7.01pm. The meeting and the live stream were temporarily suspended.)*

*(Councillor Fedeli's connection was restored and the meeting and live stream resumed - the time being 7.04pm.)*

**ORD02 RESULT AGAINST BUDGET AND REVOTES FOR YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2021**

Resolution: Moved Councillor C Cagney, Seconded Councillor Campbell that Council:

- i. adopt the budget variations contained within this report and confirm the allocation of the year end surplus of \$365,292 to Capital Works Reserve;
- ii. adopt the revote of projects totalling \$4,139,843 as identified within the attachment to this report and approve the inclusion of these projects in the 2021/22 Budget; and
- iii. approve the transfer of \$6,149,318 to the revotes and works in progress reserve, representing the General Fund portion of the revotes and works in progress program.

ORD149/21 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

(Councillors Symkowiak, Campbell, Fedeli, C Cagney, A Cagney, Farrow, Mills and Morrison voted in favour of the Motion. No Councillors voted against the Motion.)

**ORD03 RATES, CHARGES AND LEVIES WRITTEN OFF FOR THE 2020/21 FINANCIAL YEAR**

Resolution: Moved Councillor Farrow, Seconded Councillor Campbell that Council write off rates, charges and levies as outlined in this report totalling \$924,162.77 for the 2020/21 financial year.

ORD150/21 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

(Councillors Symkowiak, Campbell, Fedeli, C Cagney, A Cagney, Farrow, Mills and Morrison voted in favour of the Motion. No Councillors voted against the Motion.)

**ORD04 SEPTEMBER REVIEW OF THE 2021/22 OPERATIONAL PLAN (BUDGET)**

Resolution: Moved Councillor Symkowiak, Seconded Councillor A Cagney that Council adopt the budget variations contained within this report and confirm the allocation of the September Quarterly Review Surplus of \$24,066 to the Capital Works Reserve.

ORD151/21 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

(Councillors Symkowiak, Campbell, Fedeli, C Cagney, A Cagney, Farrow, Mills and Morrison voted in favour of the Motion. No Councillors voted against the Motion.)

**ORD05 END OF TERM REPORT 2021**

Resolution: Moved Councillor A Cagney, Seconded Councillor Campbell that Council note the information in this report.

ORD152/21 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

(Councillors Symkowiak, Campbell, Fedeli, C Cagney, A Cagney, Farrow, Mills and Morrison voted in favour of the Motion. No Councillors voted against the Motion.)

**ORD06 INVESTMENT MONIES - SEPTEMBER 2021**

Resolution: Moved Councillor Fedeli, Seconded Councillor C Cagney that Council:

- i. note that the Responsible Accounting Officer has certified that all investments held by Council have been made in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*, Regulations, and Council's Investment Policy;
- ii. note the list of investments for September 2021; and
- iii. note the weighted average interest rate return of 0.77% p.a. for the month of September 2021.

ORD153/21 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

(Councillors Symkowiak, Campbell, Fedeli, C Cagney, A Cagney, Farrow, Mills and Morrison voted in favour of the Motion. No Councillors voted against the Motion.)

**ORD07 COUNCIL MEETING DATE CHANGE AND INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS**

Resolution: Moved Councillor Farrow, Seconded Councillor Symkowiak that Council:

- i. note that the Ordinary Meeting of Council scheduled for 14 December 2021 will not proceed;
- ii. endorse 10 January 2022 as the date of the first Ordinary Meeting of Council for the new Council term; and
- iii. authorise the General Manager to cancel the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 10 January 2022 if in the General Manager's discretion that cancellation is considered necessary because of a delay in the declaration of election results or other circumstances, and liaise with the newly elected Councillors in relation to calling an Extraordinary Meeting of Council to ensure that the Mayor is elected within three weeks of the declaration of results.

ORD154/21 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

(Councillors Symkowiak, Campbell, Fedeli, C Cagney, A Cagney, Farrow, Mills and Morrison voted in favour of the Motion. No Councillors voted against the Motion.)

**ORD08 VARIATIONS TO DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS APPROVED UNDER STAFF DELEGATION (QUARTERLY REPORT)**

Resolution: Moved Councillor Farrow, Seconded Councillor Symkowiak that Council note the information in this report.

ORD155/21 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

(Councillors Symkowiak, Campbell, Fedeli, C Cagney, A Cagney, Farrow, Mills and Morrison voted in favour of the Motion. No Councillors voted against the Motion.)

**ORD09 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM 2021/2022**

Resolution: Moved Councillor C Cagney, Seconded Councillor Campbell that Council:

- i. approve funding for Community Small Grants Program for \$83,456 (excl. GST);
- ii. approve funding for Sport and Recreation Program for \$30,242 (excl. GST);
- iii. approve funding for Community Sponsorship Program for \$61,660 (excl. GST);
- iv. approve funding for Cultural Activation Seed Grant for \$15,900 (excl. GST);
- v. approve funding for Cultural Performance Subsidy for \$3,300 (excl. GST) in-kind support; and
- vi. write to each applicant advising them of the outcome of this report and thanking them for their participation in the program.

ORD156/21 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

(Councillors Symkowiak, Campbell, Fedeli, C Cagney, A Cagney, Farrow, Mills and Morrison voted in favour of the Motion. No Councillors voted against the Motion.)

**ORD10 DRAFT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY 2022-2026**

Resolution: Moved Councillor A Cagney, Seconded Councillor C Cagney that Council:

- i. endorse the public exhibition of the draft Economic Development Strategy 2022-2026 included as Attachment 1 to this report; and
- ii. receive a further report at the conclusion of the public exhibition period.

ORD157/21 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**

(Councillors Symkowiak, Campbell, Fedeli, C Cagney, A Cagney, Farrow, Mills and Morrison voted in favour of the Motion. No Councillors voted against the Motion.)

**THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.11PM**