MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
TUESDAY 14 JUNE 2016
7.00PM

The meeting commenced at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Cr Adele Hegedich (Chairperson)  
Cr Peter Maynard  
Cr Bob Fairclough  
Cr Heather Marcus  
Cr Marie Brittan  
Cr Glenn Goodfellow  
Cr Peter Gibbons  
Cr Intaj Khan  
Cr John Gibbons  
Cr Gautam Gupta  
Cr Michele Wharrie

IN ATTENDANCE: Kelly Grigsby Chief Executive Officer  
Steven Lambert Director Corporate Services  
David Suder Director Infrastructure  
Bill Forrest Director Advocacy  
Jenny McMahon A/Director Community Development  
Dean Rochfort Director Sustainable Development  
Nicole Battle Coordinator – Governance & City Engagement  
Emily Keogh Manager Communications & Events  
Tammy Williamson Governance Administration Officer

1. OPENING PRAYER & WELCOME

The Mayor, Cr Hegedich, welcomed all in attendance to the meeting.

The Special Meeting of Council was scheduled to allow Council to hear submissions received on the Proposed Integrated Plan and Budget 2016/2017.

2. APOLOGIES

NIL

3. DECLARATION BY COUNCILLORS OF DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST/CONFLICTING PERSONAL INTEREST IN ANY ITEM OF THE AGENDA

Cr Heather Marcus declared a conflict of interest in the following item:

5.1 Contractual Matter – direct interest to ownership of commercial and residential property in the vicinity of the item being considered.
4. OFFICERS’ REPORTS

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Summary

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 26 April 2016, Council considered the Proposed Integrated Annual Plan & Budget 2016/17.

The community was invited to make submissions pursuant to Section 146 and 223 of the Local Government Act 1989 regarding the proposed budget.

Council has received 3 written submissions and a commendation from Bicycle Network.

Attachments

1. Budget Submission 1 - Ratepayers Werribee South - Pedestrian Crossing at O'Connors Rd
2. Budget Submission 2 - Ratepayers Werribee South - Norman-Nolan access footpath to Beach Rd
3. Budget Submission 3 - Don Lee - Symons Avenue Park Rejuvenation works
4. Budget Commendation - Bicycle Network

Officer's Declaration of Interests

Under Section 80C of the Local Government Act 1989 (as amended), officers providing advice to Council must disclose any interests, including the type of interest.

Director Corporate Services - Steven Lambert
In providing this advice as the Director, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Manager Financial Services – Binda Gokhale
In providing this advice as the Manager, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Key Issues

- Consideration of Submissions

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Note the submissions received on the Proposed Integrated Annual Plan & Budget 2016/17 and give them due consideration as part of the 2016/17 budget deliberations.
2. Notify the submitters in writing of Council’s decisions relating to their requests after the adoption of the Integrated Annual Plan & Budget 2016/17.
3. Send a letter of thanks to the Bicycle Network for their commendation.
CONSIDERATION OF SUBMISSIONS REGARDING COUNCIL'S PROPOSED INTEGRATED PLAN & BUDGET 2016/17 (cont'd)

MOTION

CRS INTAJ KHAN / GLENN GOODFELLOW

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(CARRIED)
1. **Background**

Council released the Proposed Integrated Annual Plan & Budget 2016/17 for public comment at its Ordinary Meeting of council held on 26 April 2016.

The community was invited to make submissions pursuant to Section 146 and 223 of the Local Government Act 1989. The public submission process was outlined during the meeting.

2. **Discussion**

A copy of each submission is provided in the attachment.

Submissions were received from:

1. Ratepayers Werribee South – Pedestrian Crossing at O’Connors Rd, Werribee South
2. Ratepayers Werribee South – Nolan Grove to Beach Rd pedestrian/bicycle path reconstruction to Wyndham City Council Standard
3. Don Lee – Works to rejuvenate the Symons Avenue Reserve, Hoppers Crossing

A commendation was received from Bicycle Network acknowledging the amount of bicycle related spending proposed in the draft budget.

3. **Community Consultation**

The proposed Integrated Annual Plan & Budget 2016/17 was advertised on 27 April 2016 in the newspapers for public comment and submissions. The document was also made available for inspection:

- On Council’s website: www.wyndham.vic.gov.au
- Municipal Offices, Civic Centre
- Libraries and Community Centres throughout Wyndham.

4. **Communication Strategy**

Council will formally notify those persons who have made a submission of the decisions relating to their requests.
RATEPAYERS WERRIBEE SOUTH
2016/2017 PRE-BUDGET SUBMISSION
FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION
BEACH RD—PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT O’CONNORS RD

Ratepayers Werribee South is a local group which advocates for the community in the Werribee South area of Iramoo Ward. Our most recent meeting was attended by Cr Heather Marcus who advised us to submit pre-budget proposals for Council consideration.

Following the recent construction of a footpath on the north side of Beach Rd between Finch Rd and O’Connors Rd a pedestrian crossing was placed where it does not link with any facility on either side. We feel that this crossing should have been placed at the off-branch from the foreshore footpath connecting with the off-branch from the new footpath near O’Connors Rd. This location is more appropriate as there is convenient access to the bus stop, public toilets and the “Ângler’s Anchorage” shop.

We propose that a new pedestrian crossing be placed at this location.

We are aware of current budgetary constraints but Council’s favourable consideration of this item for inclusion in the coming budget would be appreciated.

Please see plan and estimate following.
ATTACHMENT NO: 1 - BUDGET SUBMISSION 1 - RATEPAYERS WERRIBEE SOUTH - PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT O’CONNORS RD cont.

ITEM NO: 4.1

Please note that this photography is outdated and does not show the new footpaths.

Place Pedestrian Crossing Here

ESTIMATED COST

$5,000
Ratepayers Werribee South is a local group which advocates for the community in the Werribee South area of Iramoo Ward. Our most recent meeting was attended by Cr Heather Marcus who advised us to submit pre-budget proposals for Council consideration.

In the Werribee South residential community, a full construction of a footpath in the right of way between Nos. 1 and 3 Beach Rd has become urgent. Several residents are elderly and/or disabled and require adequate access to the bus stop opposite No. 5 Beach Rd. The laneway is also used by schoolchildren accessing the school bus on the opposite side of Diggers Rd. The existing surface of loose rock screenings is difficult to negotiate with a wheelchair, wheeled frame or pram/pusher and there are no ramps (pram crossings) over the kerbs at either end.

We propose a 2m wide concrete shared pedestrian/bicycle path, as it is used by cyclists to connect with the shared track on the south side of Diggers Rd.

We are aware of current budgetary constraints but Council’s favourable consideration of this item for inclusion in the coming budget would be appreciated.

Please see plan and estimate following.
ITEM NO: 4.1

Construct
48m x 2m Pedestrian/Bicycle Path
To Wyndham City Council Standard

ESTIMATED COST
$15,000
12 Symons Ave
Hoppers Crossing
Vic 3029
25 May 2016

The Manager
Resident's Services
Wyndham City Council
PO Box 197
Werribee
Vic 3030

REQUEST FOR PLAY PARK IMPROVEMENTS TO SYMONS RESERVE

I am writing to you as a local resident of Hoppers Crossing to make the request that Council provide for a capital improvement allocation in the new budget for the Symons Reserve, situated between Symons and Cation Avenues in Hoppers Crossing.

This park was originally fitted out with trees and some minimal play equipment at least fifteen years ago. The current play area and equipment is now really in need of some rejuvenation and it would be very much appreciated if some new play equipment could also be added.

As far as I can ascertain there are still many families with children living within this area of Hoppers Crossing and who would greatly benefit from the improved quality of life that such an upgrade to this reserve would bring about.

Thanking you
Yours faithfully

Don Lee
Re: Draft Council Budget 2016/17

Wyndham,

In response to your call for submissions on the draft of the 2016-2017 Budget, Bicycle Network makes the following comments.

We, with help from our members, are assessing bicycle expenditure by local councils across Australia. This will generate a 'BiXE' (Bicycle Expenditure Index) rating — a figure which shows the amount of bicycle related spending per resident.

We have calculated the BiXE for Wyndham’s draft 2016-2017 budget as $5.24 per person, which is above the threshold of $5 per person per year.

Bicycle Network commends your commitment to cycling, with special mention of the bicycle bridge over the Princes Freeway.

Regards,

Bert Sleigher
Advisor – Strategy and Projects

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MOTION

CRS MICHELE WHARRIE / INTAJ KHAN

That pursuant to Section 89(2) of the Local Government Act, 1989, Standing Orders be suspended and this meeting of Council be closed to members of the public in order for Council to discuss the following confidential matter/s:

1. CONTRACTUAL MATTERS
2. CONTRACTUAL MATTERS

(CARRIED)

Standing Orders were suspended at 7.04pm

MOTION

CRS MICHELE WHARRIE / GLENN GOODFELLOW

That Standing Orders be resumed

(CARRIED)

Standing Orders were resumed at 7.29pm

MOTION

CRS MICHELE WHARRIE / INTAJ KHAN

That the recommendation of the ‘Closed Meeting’ of Council with regard to confidential matters be adopted.

(CARRIED)

7. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting was declared closed at 7.30 PM.