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## Regular Council Meeting Minutes

**Commenced 7:08pm**

**TUESDAY, 29 MARCH 2016**

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**Present:** Cr Stephen Aguis (Mayor), Cr Nick Katris, Cr Lachlan McLean, Cr Michael Platt, Cr Annie Tang (Deputy Mayor), Cr Sam Stratikopoulos, Cr Kathryn Landsberry, Cr George Katsabaris and Cr Jacinta Petroni.

**In Attendance:** Paul Woods (General Manager), Evan Hutchings (Director Governance and Corporate Services), Rod Logan (Director Planning and Environmental Services), Andrew Sharp (Director Assets and Services), Vanessa Smith (Governance Officer) and Cassandra McFarlane (Minute Secretary).

**Note:** The recording of the National Anthem at tonight's meeting was sung beautifully by St George Christian School.

### **A. Apologies**

Apologies were received on behalf of Cr Nickolas Varvaris (Emeritus Mayor), Cr Nick Aroney and Cr Nathaniel Smith.

15/2016 *Resolved:* (Katsabaris/Stratikopoulos)

*That the apologies be accepted and leave of absence granted.*

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### **B. Disclosures of Interest**

There were no Disclosures of Interest.

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### **C. Adjournment for Public Forum**

There was no Public Forum.

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#### D. Development Assessment Reports

1. **Subject:** Shop No. 7/600 Railway Parade, Hurstville - Development Application No. 243/15 - Change of Use - Renovation to develop property as new tattoo studio - Mr K Li (Applicant) - Fellowship Investments Pty Ltd - East Ward
- Author:** Rod Logan - Director Planning and Environmental Services (MRG)
- Reason for Report:** Non-concurrence of Ward Report and unresolved objections.

- Present at the meeting were Mr Ryan Kwan (Neighbour) and Mr Troy Hoang (Agent for the property) who at the invitation of the Mayor addressed the Council concerning this item.

16/2016 Resolved: (Tang/McLean)

- (a) *That Council as the Consent Authority pursuant to Section 80(1)(b) Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979, refuse Development Application No 243/15 for the change of use – renovation to develop property as a new tattoo studio at Shop 7/600 Railway Parade, Hurstville for the following reasons:*
- (1) *The proposed use is likely to create a negative social impact on the immediate locality and residents within the residential complex above (Section 79C (1)(d) Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979).*
  - (2) *The proposal has been evaluated as a High Crime Risk by the NSW Police – St George Local Area Command who cannot support the application and strongly oppose the use in the locality (Section 79C (1)(d) and (e) Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979).*
  - (3) *Based on the concerns of residents in their submissions, the application is not considered to be in the public interest (Section 79C (1)(e) Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979).*
  - (4) *There is insufficient information provided to ensure all works can be carried out without affecting or involving common property and as such owner’s consent from the Body Corporate may be required and has not been provided (Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2000 – Reg. 49).*
- b) *That the applicant be advised of their right of appeal to the Land and Environment Court with regard to Council’s decision in this matter.*
- c) *That those who made a submission be advised of Council’s decision in this matter.*

**Speakers for the Motion:** Cr Annie Tang  
Cr Lachlan McLean  
Cr Nick Katris

**Planning Decision Voting Record Division**

For the Motion: Councillors: Agius (Mayor)  
Katris  
McLean  
Platt  
Tang (Deputy Mayor)  
Stratikopoulos  
Landsberry  
Katsabaris  
Petroni

**As a result of the division the motion was declared carried.**

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**E. Confirmation of Minutes**

17/2016 Resolved: (Katris/Katsabaris)

*That the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on 22 February 2016 be confirmed.*

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18/2016 Resolved: (Katris/Katsabaris)

*That the Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 7 March 2016 be confirmed.*

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**F. Mayoral Reports**

There were no Mayoral Reports.

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**G. Consideration of Working Party and Committee Recommendations**

**G1. Subject: Adoption of the Minutes of the Traffic Committee Meeting of 1 March 2016**

19/2016 Resolved: (Landsberry/Katsabaris)

*That the Minutes of the Traffic Committee held on 1 March 2016 be adopted.*

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- G1.1. **Subject:** 1425 - Progress of Matters Report  
**Author:** Andrew Sharp - Director Assets and Services (PC)  
**Reason for Report:** Monthly update report on Traffic Committee items and projects.

*(Adopted Minute No. 19/2016)*

*That the March 2016 Progress of Matters Report be received and noted.*

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- G1.2. **Subject:** 2842 - Kensington Street, Kogarah - Proposed "No Parking" and "2P" zone - UBD 294 G5  
**Author:** Andrew Sharp - Director Assets and Services (PC)  
**Reason for Report:** To consider the installation of a "No Parking" zone and "2P" zone in Kensington Street, Kogarah.

*(Adopted Minute No. 19/2016)*

- a) *That 12m of the existing "2P, 9.30am – 6.30pm Mon – Fri, 8.30am – 12.30pm Sat" zone on the northern side of Kensington Street, Kogarah be converted to "No Parking, 9.30am – 6pm Mon – Fri, 8.30am – 12.30pm Sat".*
- b) *That the times on the remaining "2P" zone and "Loading Zone" on the northern side of Kensington Street, be converted from "9.30am – 6.30pm Mon – Fri, 8.30am – 12.30pm Sat" to "9.30am – 6pm Mon – Fri, 8.30am – 12.30pm Sat".*
- c) *That 13m of the existing "No Parking, Emergency Vehicles Excepted" zone on the southern side of Kensington Street be converted to "2P, 9.30am – 6pm Mon – Fri, 8.30am – 12.30pm Sat", as shown on plan TC 1523 attached to the report.*
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- G1.3. **Subject:** 2843 - Kogarah CBD - Temporary Road Closures for Greek Orthodox Easter - UBD 294 G5  
**Author:** Andrew Sharp - Director Assets and Services (PC)  
**Reason for Report:** To consider a request for the temporary closure of Belgrave Street, Kogarah and adjacent streets.

*(Adopted Minute No. 19/2016)*

- a) *That approval be granted to close Belgrave Street, Kogarah, from Post Office Lane to Kensington Street, between 6pm and 11pm on Friday, 29 April 2016 and from 10pm Saturday, 30 April 2016 to 1:30am Sunday, 1 May 2016 for the Greek Orthodox Easter celebrations, as shown on plan TC1122 attached to the report.*
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- b) *That approval be granted to temporarily close streets on the Greek Orthodox Easter procession route at 8:30pm on Friday, 29 April 2016, in accordance with the details outlined in paragraph 4 of this report, and as shown on the Procession Route Plan attached to the report.*
- c) *That the residents and businesses in Belgrave Street be advised of the closures.*
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G1.4. **Subject:** 2844 - Railway Parade, Kogarah - Proposed changes to parking restrictions - 294 G4  
**Author:** Andrew Sharp - Director Assets and Services (SL)  
**Reason for Report:** To consider changes to the existing parking restrictions along Railway Parade, Kogarah.

*(Adopted Minute No. 19/2016)*

*That the existing 45m "1P, 8.30am – 6pm, Mon – Fri, 8.30am – 12.30pm, Sat" zone located outside of No. 's 43 – 55 Railway Parade, Kogarah, be converted to "1/2P, 8.30am – 6pm, Mon – Fri, 8.30am – 12.30pm, Sat" zone, as shown on plan TC1521 attached to the report.*

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G1.5. **Subject:** 2845 - Planthurst Road, Carlton - Proposed "3P" zone - UBD 294 A11  
**Author:** Andrew Sharp - Director Assets and Services (PC)  
**Reason for Report:** To consider the installation of a "3P" zone in Planthurst Road, Carlton.

*(Adopted Minute No. 19/2016)*

*That a 13m "3P, 7am – 5pm Mon – Fri" zone be installed on the southern side of Planthurst Road, adjacent to No. 85, as shown on plan L633 attached to the report, for a trial period of three month, commencing on the date of the signage installation.*

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**G2. Subject: Adoption of the Minutes of the Council Community Services Working Party Meeting of 7 March 2016**

20/2016 *Resolved:* (Katsabaris/Katris)

*That the Minutes of the Council Community Services Working Party Meeting held on 7 March 2016 be adopted.*

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- G2.1. **Subject:** Aged and Disability Services Update  
**Author:** Alison Murphy - Executive Manager Community Services (CT)  
**Reason for Report:** To provide an update on Aged and Disability projects and activities.

*(Adopted Minute No. 20/2016)*

*That the report on upcoming (March – April 2016) aged and disability projects and activities be received and noted.*

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- G2.2. **Subject:** Youth Activities and Projects  
**Author:** Alison Murphy - Executive Manager Community Services (FY)  
**Reason for Report:** To provide an update on recent and upcoming youth activities and projects.

*(Adopted Minute No. 20/2016)*

*That the report on recent and upcoming (February 2016 – May 2016) youth activities and projects be received and noted.*

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- G2.3. **Subject:** Cultural Activities and Projects  
**Author:** Alison Murphy - Executive Manager Community Services (AL)  
**Reason for Report:** To provide an update on activities and projects included under Kogarah City Council's Cultural Plan.

*(Adopted Minute No. 20/2016)*

*That the report on current and upcoming (February – July 2016) cultural activities and projects be received and noted.*

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- G2.4. **Subject:** Safer Streets Program Grant  
**Author:** Alison Murphy - Executive Manager Community Services (NB)  
**Reason for Report:** To advise that an application has been submitted for grant funding under the Safer Streets Program.

*(Adopted Minute No. 20/2016)*

*That the application for a grant of \$96,080 under the Safer Streets Program be received and noted.*

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**G3. Subject: Adoption of the Minutes of the Governance and Corporate Services Working Party Meeting of 21 March 2016**

21/2016 Resolved: (Landsberry/Tang)

*That the Minutes of the Governance and Corporate Services Working Party held on 21 March 2016 be adopted.*

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G3.1. **Subject:** Monthly Budget Review for February 2016  
**Author:** Evan Hutchings - Director Governance and Corporate Services (JM)  
**Reason for Report:** To provide an update on the status of the monthly budget review conducted for the month to 29 February 2016.

*(Adopted Minute No. 20/2016)*

*That the proposed budget variations, described in the report, be adopted with the variations increasing Council's restricted working funds by \$6,817.*

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G3.2. **Subject:** Staff Movements  
**Author:** Paul Woods - General Manager (AH)  
**Reason for Report:** To advise of staff movements from 10 February 2016 to 15 March 2016.

*(Adopted Minute No. 20/2016)*

*That the report on the February 2016 – March 2016 staff movements be received and noted.*

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**G4. Subject: Adoption of the Minutes of the Planning and Environmental Services Working Party Meeting of 21 March 2016**

22/2016 Resolved: (Stratikopoulos/Petroni)

*That the Minutes of the Planning and Environmental Services Working Party held on 21 March 2016 be adopted.*

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## H. Notices of Motion of Rescission

There were no Notices of Motion of Rescission.

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## I. Reports from Officers

- Subject:** **Petitions Received**  
**Author:** Evan Hutchings - Director Governance and Corporate Services (CT)  
**Reason for Report:** Council has adopted a policy that a schedule of petitions received be submitted to each Council Meeting.

23/2016 *Resolved:* (Stratikopoulos/Katris)  
*That the schedule of petitions received since the last Council Meeting be received and noted.*

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## J. Motions of Which Notice Has Been Given

There were no Motions of Which Notice Has Been Given.

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## K. Reports from Council Delegates

There were no reports from Council Delegates.

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## L. General Business

Cr Michael Platt stated that it was very pleasing to receive an email from a resident stating that the Council crew that has been renewing the footpaths and nature strips on the north-eastern side of St Georges Road, Hurstville over the last couple of weeks are the most competent and professional hard working people and asked that his compliments be extended to the crew and supervisor.

He added that Council Works staff do a wonderful job and it was great to see that work recognised.

Cr Kathryn Landsberry referred to the recent article on the front page of the Leader regarding the increase of abandoned shopping trolleys in the area. Cr Landsberry stated it is an increasing problem and even in areas away from the shopping centres.

Cr Landsberry suggested that a solution should be developed to overcome this issue and Council pursue this matter.

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Andrew Sharp (Director Assets and Services) advised that Council is currently trying to negotiate on this matter with the owners/managers of the major supermarkets with success achieved in Kogarah with Woolworths.

Director Assets and Services added the same success is not replicated around Hurstville with trolleys from Coles, in particular, being regularly impounded with approximately eighty trolleys stored at Council's Depot at the moment.

Mr Sharp conceded that it is an ongoing problem and efforts are being made to minimise the cost to Council and therefore the ratepayer and keep the streets reasonably tidy.

Cr Michael Platt thanked Cr Landsberry for raising this issue and stated that until something serious occurs nothing will be done by the supermarket owners. He stated he didn't believe the residents should have to pay for this activity.

Cr Lachlan McLean stated that there has been speculation in the media that Jubilee Oval may lose a couple more games to some of the major stadiums due to a State Government initiative. Cr McLean stated it would be appreciated if the Mayor could consider writing to Chairperson of the St George Illawarra Dragons to reaffirm Council's expectations that the number of NRL fixtures played at Jubilee Oval not decrease any further this year.

Cr Jacinta Petroni stated it would be appreciated if the Mayor could consider writing to the Chairperson of Coles Australia regarding abandoned shopping trolleys.

Cr Stephen Agius thanked Cr Petroni and Cr McLean and stated he will take those suggestions on board and will write to both of those organisations.

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#### **M. Closed Session**

There was no Closed Session.

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The meeting closed at 7.46 pm.

Confirmed on Tuesday, 26 April 2016

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Councillor Stephen Agius  
**Mayor**

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Paul Woods  
**General Manager**

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