

Minutes

Extraordinary Meeting of Council

Held at Council Chambers, 1 Belgrave Street Manly
on:

Wednesday 10 October 2012

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The Extraordinary Meeting of Council was held in the Council Chambers, Town Hall, Manly, on Wednesday 10 October 2012. The meeting commenced at 7.11pm.

PRESENT

Her Worship, The Mayor, Councillor Jean Hay AM, who presided
Councillor B Aird
Councillor C Bingham
Councillor S Pickering
Councillor C Griffin
Councillor H Burns
Councillor A Le Surf

ALSO PRESENT

Henry Wong, General Manager
Stephen Clements, Deputy General Manager, Executive Manager, Landuse & Sustainability
Beth Lawsen, Deputy General Manager, People, Place & Infrastructure
Anthony Hewton, Executive Manager, Corporate Support Services
Secretariat Officer

APOLOGIES

Apologies were tendered on behalf of Councillors Adele Heasman and James Griffin for leave of absence.

MOTION (Le Surf / Burns)

That the apologies received from Councillors Adele Heasman and James Griffin, be accepted and leave be granted.

169/12 RESOLVED: (Le Surf / Burns)

That the apologies received from Councillors Adele Heasman and James Griffin, be accepted and leave be granted.

For the Resolution: Councillors Hay, Le Surf, C Griffin, Aird, Burns, Bingham, and Pickering
Against the Resolution: Nil.

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DIVISION

Environmental Services Division Report No. 26

Revised plans for the redevelopment of the Royal Far West site (Preferred Project Report)**PUBLIC ADDRESSES**

The following persons addressed the meeting on this item:

In support of the Motion: Paul O'Brien - President Manly Village Public School P&C

Against the Motion: Richard Barron - Representative from Royal Far West

SUMMARY

This report has been prepared by staff as a supplementary background report to inform Council of the status of the revised Plans for the redevelopment of the Royal Far West Site (Preferred Project Report). It provides the context under which the development is being determined by the Planning Assessment Commission including arrangements regarding public input to the proposal. Council's submission to the NSW Department of Planning, Infrastructure in relation to this matter is also attached for Council's Information.

MOTION (Aird / C Griffin)

That Council:

1. Immediately writes to the Director-General, NSW Planning and Infrastructure requesting that Manly Council's current Draft LEP be amended and not gazetted in order that a minor zoning amendment, with major land use implications for Manly Town Centre and urban design can be urgently effected by Council's planning staff, to change the currently proposed zoning of the Royal Far West site from B2 to Special Purposes SP2 Infrastructure (schools and hospitals).
2. Urgently calls on the Minister for Planning or the Director-General to request the Planning Assessment Commission to hold a public hearing into the proposed expansion of the Royal Far West.
3. Meets with our Local Member to advise him of Council's and the community's various significant concerns and requests for refusal of the current proposal for the Royal Far West site and to request him to make those representations to Parliament.
4. Urgently prepares photo montage perspectives clearly illustrating the view corridor impacts of the RFW high-rise proposal. That the view corridors include sights from Manly Beach, Eastern Hill, Manly Village School playground and Rialto Square. These visual documents be prepared in enough time to be included in precinct newsletters

AMENDMENT (Bingham / Pickering)

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For the Amendment: Councillors Hay, Le Surf, Bingham and Pickering

Against the Amendment: Councillors Griffin, Aird and Burns

The **Amendment** became the **Motion** and was put and declared **Carried**.

170/12 RESOLVED: (Bingham / Pickering)

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For the Resolution: Councillors Hay, Le Surf, Burns, Bingham, C Griffin and Pickering

Against the Resolution: Councillors Aird

SUPPLEMENTARY MOTION (C Griffin / Burns)

That Council writes to the Minister for Education and Local Member, Minister of Finance and the Treasury with the following questions.

- a) What agreement has the Minister for Education reached regarding the disposal of the land owned by the Department of Education and Communities at Manly which is currently occupied by the Royal Far West School?
- b) Will the Department relinquish title to the parcels of land currently owned by the Department and occupied by the Royal Far West School, lot 2 DP 223468 and lot 1 DP 435023?
- c) How much has the land been valued at and what amount will the Department receive as a result of the disposal of this land?
- d) Has the disposal Royal Far West School been determined in accordance with the NSW Government Asset Management Guidelines (GAMC).
- e) Has this asset disposal been reviewed by the GAMC to determine the strategic value in terms of wider government policies and objectives, other agency requirements, community interest, environmental outcomes and other areas of interest.
- f) Has the GAMC nominated the appropriate means of disposal and allocated

responsibility for management of the disposal to the appropriate agency. If so can the Minister provide this information for the public record.

- g) Will the Department continue to provide services for children from rural and regional areas at the Manly site?
- h) Will the Department continue to provide services for children from rural and regional areas from premises owned and operated by the Department?
- i) What will be the nature of these services?
- j) Why hasn't the Minister or the Department consulted separately and independently with the community on the future use of the land owned by the Department and occupied by the Royal Far West School?
- k) Is it true that the Minister has agreed to the redevelopment of the land owned by the Department for commercial purposes such as a five star hotel?
- l) In the Minister's answer to Question on Notice 1024 earlier this year, it was indicated that "Manly Village Public School has current spare accommodation that could be modified for classrooms, should the need arise in the future." Is the Minister referring in this case to the building currently occupied by the Manly Community Centre and the Vocal Art Studio on Wentworth Street.
- m) Does the Minister acknowledge that the size of the playground at Manly Village Public School has been reduced in size since the construction of the new BER School Hall.

171/12 RESOLVED: (C Griffin / Burns)

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For the Resolution: Councillors Hay, Le Surf, Aird, Burns, Bingham, C Griffin and Pickering
Against the Resolution: Nil.

CLOSE

The meeting closed at [8.55pm](#).

The above minutes were confirmed at an **Extraordinary Meeting** of Manly Council held on [15 October 2012](#).

MAYOR

***** END OF MINUTES *****