

Manly Council

Late Agenda

Ordinary Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held at Council Chambers, 1 Belgrave Street, Manly, on:

Monday 14 March 2011

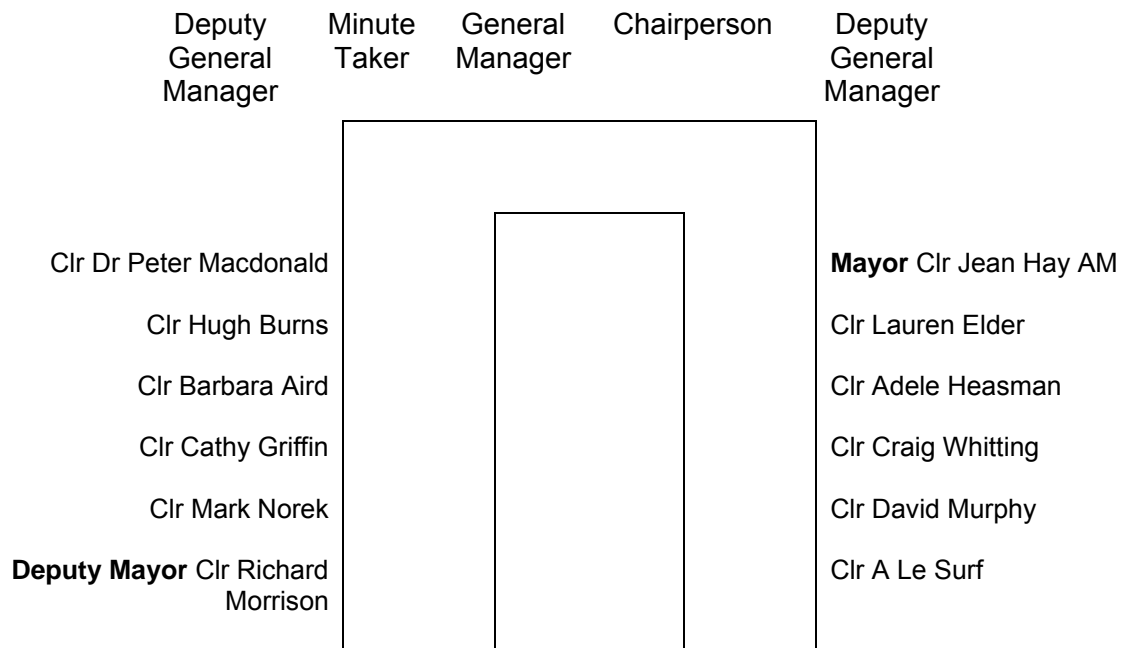
Commencing at 7:30 PM for the purpose of considering items included on the Agenda.

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TO: Ordinary Meeting - 14 March 2011

REPORT: Mayoral Minute Report No. 4

SUBJECT: Disasters in Japan

FILE NO:

I am sure I speak for everyone here tonight in expressing our immense sadness on learning of the terrible events presently underway in Japan.

For many years, now, the community of Manly has had strong, developing relationships with two communities in Japan, both situated on the Eastern seaboard of Japan's main island of Honshu.

Manly and Taito Ku, one of the 23 wards of Japan's capital city Tokyo, formed a 'Sister City' relationship in 1982.

In August 2010 Manly Council celebrated the twentieth anniversary of our 'Friendship City' relationship with Odawara City in Japan's Kanagawa Prefecture.

The relationships between Manly and the two communities in Japan have been from the outset characterized by genuine warmth and deepening bonds of friendship. Visits by children, students, bands, choirs, orchestras, welfare groups and community groups between Manly and Taito Ku have all been part of the relationship.

Students from Odawara and Manly have participated in some 19 Annual Student Exchanges between the two communities, the Manly students representing local schools and their Japanese counterparts representing The Tokimeki International School of Odawara City. In the course of time, many, many friendships have developed between residents of our community, and those of Taito Ku and Odawara City.

So, it was with immense concern and great sadness we learned of the terrible disasters unfolding this last week in Japan and of the great suffering there.

Odawara herself is no stranger to earthquakes. The Great Kantō earthquake of 1923 resulted in ninety percent of the buildings in Odawara collapsing immediately, and fires burned the rubble along with anything else left standing. And yet, Odawara was rebuilt and is today a thriving, beautiful city.

We are reminded, too, of the terrible destruction that was visited on the city of Kobe by an earthquake in 1995. And yet, Kobe was rebuilt, and today stands as one of the leading commercial and industrial cities of the world.

The whole world is mindful of the extraordinary resilience, ingenuity and determination of the Japanese nation. There is no doubt that Japan will transcend the terrible misfortunes which presently visit her and I am sure the entire community of Manly will join with me in expressing our deepest condolences to the people of Japan, and in sending to the communities of Taito Ku and Odawara City in particular, our very best wishes.

RECOMMENDATION

I Move that

The Council express to the communities of Taito Ku and Odawara City its great sadness for the unspeakable pain of all its citizens after last Friday's earthquake and tsunami that devastated a

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large part of its North Eastern coastal communities.

The community of Manly, indeed all the people of Australia, feels your nation's pain and share in your nation's unspeakable grief at this time.

Manly citizens pledge its support for the relief and recovery effort of the Australian National Government. And Council wishes you well.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

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