# **MINUTES**





## **Special Meeting of Council**

Held via Zoom

On

Monday 31 August 2020

The Agenda for the Special Meeting of Council, Monday 31 August 2020, forms part of these Minutes and is attached in full at the end of the Minutes.

These Minutes are considered draft until adopted and confirmed at the next Meeting of Council.

The meeting commenced at 6.06pm.

Councillor Holland entered the meeting at 6.07pm

#### **PRESENT:**

Cr N Seymour (Mayor)

Cr P Lockwood

Cr J Mortimore (arrived 6.15pm)

Cr M Timmers-Leitch

Cr J Keogh

Cr T Holland (arrived 6.07pm)

Cr D Pearce

Tirhatuan Ward

Baird Ward

Chandler Ward

Collier Ward

Dobson Ward

Friberg Ward

Taylor Ward

Mr T Doyle Chief Executive Officer

Mr M Hanrahan Acting Director – Engineering & Infrastructure

Ms T Scicluna Director – Community Services

Mr M Kelleher Director, City Development, Interim Finance and Governance

Ms S Stanton Executive Manager - Strategy, People and Culture, Interim

Information Technology

Mr P McQue Manager, Governance

The Mayor noted that the Special Council meeting was called at short notice as:

- Council is statutorily required to have its Governance Rules adopted and in operation by 1 September 2020.
- Council adopted its Governance Rules on 24 August 2020 however a rescission motion was submitted, in order to amend the Public Question Time procedure.
- This matter consequently needed to be dealt with in a timely manner to ensure Council complies with the Act.

"Knox City Council acknowledges we are on the traditional land of the Wurundjeri and Bunurong people and pay our respects to elders both past and present."

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Apologies were received from Councillor Cooper.

2 Declarations of Conflict of Interest

Nil.

- 3 Motions for Which Notice has Previously Been Given
- 3.1 Notice of Motion 108 Notice of Rescission Governance Rules



## Notice of Motion No 108

#### Notice of Rescission - Governance Rules

I hereby give notice that it is my intention to move at a Special Council Meeting to be held prior to 1 September 2020 the following:

#### That Council resolve:

1. That the following decision of Council made on 24 August 2020:

#### That Council:

- Pursuant to section 60 of the Local Government Act 2020, resolve to adopt the Governance Rules (inclusive of the Election Period Policy), as set out in Attachment 1 (subject to acceptance of the tracked changes).
- 2. Note the Governance Rules come into operation on 1 September 2020.
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#### be rescinded.

- 2. That:
  - a) Pursuant to section 60 of the Local Government Act 2020, Council adopt the Governance Rules (inclusive of the Election Period Policy), as presented to the Council Meeting on 24 August 2020 in Attachment 1 to report 6.5 Governance Rules, subject to:
    - i. Acceptance of the tracked changes shown in that attachment;
    - ii. Sub-Rule 53.4 in Chapter 2 being amended to read as follows:

#### 53.4 Questions submitted to Council must;

- 53.4.1 Be lodged in writing, in English and:
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- 53.4.2 include the name and address of the person submitting the question, and an email address and phone number if available.

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- iii. Minor administrative changes authorised by the Chief Executive Officer to correct cross references, grammatical or formatting errors.
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Cr Seymour

Cr Timmers-Leitch

25 August 2020

### **RESOLUTION**

**MOVED:** Councillor Seymour

**SECONDED:** Councillor Timmers-Leitch

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#### **CARRIED**

Councillor Mortimore entered the meeting at 6.15pm before the vote on item 3.1.

### **MEETING CLOSED AT 6.24pm**

Minutes of Meeting confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Monday, 21 September 2020

Chairperson	

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Tony Doyle

Chief Executive Officer

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