

STRATHFIELD COUNCIL

# EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

## MINUTES

Strathfield Municipal Council

Friday 8 July 2022

5pm

Council Chambers

65 Homebush Road, Strathfield



Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting of Strathfield Municipal Council held on 8 July 2022, in the Council Chambers, 65 Homebush Road, Strathfield.

**COMMENCING:** 5pm

**PRESENT:** Councillor Matthew Blackmore  
Councillor Karen Pensabene  
Councillor Benjamin Cai  
Councillor Raj Datta  
Councillor Nella Hall  
Councillor Sharangan Maheswaran  
Councillor Sandy Reddy

**STAFF:** Brian Barrett, Acting General Manager

1. **OPENING:** The Prayer was read.

2. **PECUNIARY INTEREST /CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

3. **APOLOGIES**

Councillor Maheswaran – lateness.

4. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

**CEO1 Organisational Structure Review**

148/22

**RESOLVED:** (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That Council determine:

1. The organisation structure for Strathfield Council as proposed in Attachment 2 to this report with Property & Risk Section reporting to Engineering and Operations Division.
2. The following positions to be Senior Staff positions:

- a. Director Engineering & Operations;
  - b. Director Corporate & Community;
  - c. Director Development & Environment.
3. That the structure be reviewed by the new General Manager 3 months after their commencement.
4. That the Council request that the acting General Manager make no permanent appointments and that this be left for the new General Manager.
5. That the Civic & Executive Support position be removed from the organization structure.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

Councillor Maheswaran left meeting, the time being 5.19pm.

Councillor Maheswaran returned to the meeting, the time being 5:21pm.

## CLOSED SESSION

### CEO2 Recruitment of New General Manager

149/22

**RESOLVED:** (Blackmore/Pensabene)

That in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993* the following matter be considered in Closed Session for the reason stated:

#### CEO2 Recruitment of New General Manager

This matter is being considered in Closed Session as it relates to personnel matters concerning a particular individual (other than councillors) and on balance, the public interest in preserving confidentiality of personnel information outweighs the public interest in openness and transparency in Council decision making by discussing the matter in open meeting.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

The meeting commenced Closed Session at 5.29pm.

The meeting commenced Open Session at 6.05pm.

**OPEN COUNCIL RESUMED**

**CEO2 Recruitment of New General Manager**

**150/22**

**RESOLVED:** (Blackmore / Reddy)

As resolved in Closed Session.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

**5. CLOSE**

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.06pm.**

The foregoing Minutes were confirmed at the meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Strathfield on 2 August 2022.

Chairman\_\_\_\_\_

General Manager\_\_\_\_\_