



17 APRIL 2000

Meeting No 1308

MINUTES of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council of the City of Sydney held in the Finance Committee Room at the Sydney Town Hall, commencing at 5.18pm on 17 April 2000 pursuant to Notice 5/1308 dated 13 April 2000.

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PRESENT

The Right Hon The Lord Mayor Councillor Frank Sartor
(Chairman)

Councillors - Nick Farr-Jones, Kathryn Greiner, Robert Ho, Fabian Marsden and Lucy
Turnbull.

At the commencement of business at 5.18pm, those present were:-

The Lord Mayor, Councillors Farr-Jones, Greiner, Ho, Marsden and Turnbull.

The General Manager, Deputy General Manager, Acting Director City Development,
Director City Projects, and Director Legal and Secretariat were also present.

Adjournment

At 5.45 pm, the Extraordinary Meeting of Council adjourned to enable a meeting of the
Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee to commence.

At 5.48 pm, the Extraordinary Meeting of Council resumed.

Those present at the resumption of the meeting were -

The Lord Mayor, Councillors Farr-Jones, Greiner, Ho, Marsden and Turnbull.

Apology

Councillor Dixie Coulton extended her apologies for her inability to attend the
Extraordinary Meeting of Council owing to prior commitments.

Moved by Councillor Turnbull, seconded by Councillor Greiner -

That the apologies from Councillor Coulton be accepted and leave of absence from the
meeting be granted.

Carried.

ITEM 1. INSTALLATION OF ADDITIONAL CAMERAS FORMING PART OF THE CITY OF SYDNEY'S STREET SAFETY CAMERA PROGRAM

FILE NO: S002128

DATE: 13/4/00

MINUTE BY THE LORD MAYORTo Council:

As you would be aware, the Code of Practice for the City's Street Safety Camera Program makes clear that any increase in the number of cameras forming part of the Street Safety Camera Program requires the approval of Council.

The recent review of the Street Safety Camera Program has identified a number of areas in which the installation of additional cameras forming part of the Street Safety Camera Program is warranted.

The NSW Police Service has requested that additional cameras be installed in the area surrounding the intersection of Liverpool and Pitt Streets. According to the Crime Management Unit at City Central Police Station, 30% of all serious assaults in City Central Local Area Command have occurred at the intersection of Liverpool and Pitt Streets or Liverpool and George Streets. An independent assessment of the area has determined that 2 cameras should be installed in this area.

The Ultimo Pedestrian Network (UPN) is a project involving the redevelopment of the former Ultimo Rail Corridor as a pedestrian link between the Devonshire Street Tunnel (Sydney Central Railway) and the educational campuses of the University of Technology, Sydney and the Sydney Institute of Technology through to Ultimo Road.

Consultation with police from City Central Local Area Command revealed that crimes against the person were of major concern within the Ultimo/Haymarket area. Police are strongly of the view that due to the nature of the UPN it is highly desirable that the Street Safety Camera Program be extended to this location to discourage assault and robbery type offences. Because of this, the Central Sydney Planning Committee approved the development application for the Ultimo Pedestrian Network on 16 December 1999 subject to a condition requiring the installation of 3 cameras forming part of the Street Safety Camera Program.

The addition of these 5 cameras will bring the total number of cameras forming part of the Street Safety Camera Program to 51. As the maximum capacity of the current control room set up is 64 cameras, careful consideration will need to be given to any proposal to further expand the number of cameras forming part of the Program.

A separate report outlining further proposed changes to the Code of Practice will be listed for Council's consideration in the near future.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that Council approve:

- (A) The installation of 2 cameras forming part of the Street Safety Camera Program in the area around the intersection of Liverpool and Pitt Streets; and
- (B) The installation of 3 cameras forming part of the Street Safety Camera Program as part of the development of the Ultimo Pedestrian Network.

(SGD) COUNCILLOR FRANK SARTOR
LORD MAYOR

Moved by Councillor Turnbull, seconded by Councillor Farr-Jones -

That arising from consideration of a Minute by the Lord Mayor to the Extraordinary Meeting of Council on 17 April 2000, on installation of additional cameras forming part of the City of Sydney's Street Safety Camera program, it be resolved that Council approve -

- (A) The installation of 2 cameras forming part of the Street Safety Camera Program in the area around the intersection of Liverpool and Pitt Streets; and
- (B) The installation of 3 cameras forming part of the Street Safety Camera Program as part of the development of the Ultimo Pedestrian Network.

Carried.

ITEM 2. HYDE PARK LIGHTING (S011234)

Moved by Councillor Marsden, seconded by Councillor Turnbull -

That arising from consideration of a report by the Director City Projects to an Extraordinary Meeting of Council on 17 April 2000 in respect of an upgrade to Hyde Park Lighting, it be resolved that -

- (A) Council resolve not to call tenders for the supply and installation of new or modified fittings as a satisfactory result is unlikely given the following extenuating circumstances:
 - (i) The recent allocation of funds to the project;
 - (ii) The need to have the lighting upgrade installed and operational by the 2000 Olympic Games;
 - (iii) The long lead times required for supply of fittings, and
 - (iv) The need for additional time to undertake additional testing and evaluation prior to placing the order.

- (B) authority be delegated to the General Manager, subject to the concurrence of the Lord Mayor, to
- (i) Negotiate upon unit rate quotations submitted by preferred suppliers and installers to obtain the most financially beneficial outcome for Council for the supply and installation of upgraded lighting to Hyde Park.
 - (ii) Place an order for light fittings in Hyde Park; the fitting on the main axes to be the Sylvania reflector modified Opal Sphere or the Quadro 1 as an alternate should the Sylvania fitting not provide sufficient reduced upward discharge when tested. The fitting in the remainder of the Park is to be the Quadro 1 fitting.
 - (iii) Place an order which is consistent with B (ii) above and includes:
 - (a) Approximately 84 new light poles and new luminaries in Hyde Park North to replace existing old fittings and poles of a discordant nature.
 - (b) Approximately 51 replacement or modified luminaries in Hyde Park North to existing Hyde Park standard poles
 - (c) Approximately 138 replacement or modified luminaries in Hyde Park South to existing Hyde Park standard poles.
 - (iv) vary the strategy outlined in the subject report and as approved in this Resolution, if variation is considered desirable after assessment of prototypes.
- (C) Council's attorney be authorised to finalise and enter into relevant contractual documentation.

Carried.

ITEM 3. REVIEW OF ORGANISATION STRUCTURE

Note - This matter had been listed in the business paper as a confidential item. However, Council agreed to deal with the matter in open session.

FILE NO: S011197

DATE: 14/4/00

MEMORANDUM BY THE GENERAL MANAGER

To Council:

Over the last three years a number of units have been created within the Council to achieve specific tasks. Prime examples include, the Major Events Unit incorporating the Olympic Program Office which has been overseeing preparations for the Olympics and

developing the New Year's Eve celebrations as a major event and further coordinating centenary of federation events. Other units including the Look of the City, City Care, and the Strategic Operations Unit and, to a degree, the City Projects Division which has been upsized over the last few years to oversee our major public space improvements program.

Beyond the Olympics the need for these units will either cease to exist or decline significantly and Council needs to realise some organisational savings through this process. It's expected that other units within the Council structure will take on some of these activities eg. City Care will fold into the City Service Development division. With the delivery of the Olympics now upon us it is also timely to address our hosting requirements particularly the protocol function.

Before the Office of the Lord Mayor was created, the protocol function sat within the organisational equivalent known as the Civic Affairs department. This function has been located within the Cultural Affairs Unit for the last 3 or 4 years while other priorities such as the City Improvement Program dominated the Office of the Lord Mayor. The forthcoming Olympic and Paralympics will mean a greater interaction between the Office of the Lord Mayor and the Protocol Unit. In fact, the protocol and host functions will be stretched during this period of unprecedented activity. At the same time the City has a full cultural events program including involvement in programming the Olympic Live Sites.

Rather than creating a competing protocol function within the Office of the Lord Mayor it seems more sensible to relocate the three staff who are currently protocol staff within Cultural Affairs and Protocol Unit to within the Office of the Lord Mayor. The staff would be relocated into the vacant offices in the first floor southern corridor which were previously occupied by the opposition councillors in the previous Council. The issue has to be resolved as a matter of priority given the need to implement the City Hosting Program for the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games.

RECOMMENDATION:

That arising from consideration of a Memorandum by the General Manager to the Extraordinary Meeting of Council on 17 April 2000, on Review of Organisation Structure, it be resolved -

- (A) That protocol staff be relocated from the Cultural Affairs and Protocol Unit to within the Office of the Lord Mayor reporting to an officer in that Unit together with the necessary resources including relevant budget allocation covering both staff and civic expenses such as receptions.
- (B) That the functions and existence of all other special purpose units and the staff in the City Projects division be reviewed by the General Manager with a view to their abolition or reduction by the March quarter 2001.

(SGD) GREG MADDOCK
General Manager

Moved by Councillor Turnbull, seconded by Councillor Marsden -

That arising from consideration of a Memorandum by the General Manager to the Extraordinary Meeting of Council on 17 April 2000, on Review of Organisation Structure, it be resolved that -

- (A) Protocol staff be relocated from the Cultural Affairs and Protocol Unit to within the Office of the Lord Mayor reporting to an officer in that Unit together with the necessary resources including relevant budget allocation covering both staff and civic expenses such as receptions.
- (B) the functions and existence of all other special purpose units and the staff in the City Projects division be reviewed by the General Manager with a view to their abolition or reduction by the March quarter 2001.

The motion was carried on the following show of hands -

Ayes (5) - The Chairman (the Lord Mayor), Councillors Farr-Jones, Ho, Marsden and Turnbull

Noes (1) - Councillor Greiner

Motion carried.

At 5.52pm the meeting concluded.

Chairman of a meeting of the Council of the City
of Sydney held on 1 May 2000 at which
meeting the signature herein was subscribed.