

# **Minutes**

# Annual General Meeting of Electors

28 June 2021

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Electors of the City of Nedlands held on Monday, 28 June 2021 at Adam Armstrong Pavilion, Beatrice Road, Dalkeith at 7 pm.

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# **City of Nedlands**

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# **Declaration of Opening**

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 7 pm and drew attention to the disclaimer below.

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It is noted that the advertisement calling the meeting was published in the POST Newspaper on 5<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> June 2021, notices were also displayed on notice boards at the Administration Centre, Nedlands and Mt Claremont Libraries, and on the City's Website.

### **Present and Apologies**

Councillors	Her Worship the Mayor, F Argyle	(Presiding Member)
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Councillor F J O Bennett Dalkeith Ward Councillor A W Mangano Dalkeith Ward Councillor B G Hodsdon Hollywood Ward Councillor J D Wetherall Hollywood Ward Hollywood Ward Vacant Melvista Ward Councillor R Senathirajah Councillor B Tyson Melvista Ward Councillor L J McManus **Coastal Districts Ward** Councillor K A Smyth Coastal Districts Ward

Staff Mr E Herne A/Chief Executive Officer

Mr J Duff Director Technical Services
Mr T Free Director Planning and Development
Mrs N M Ceric Executive Officer
Mrs S C Gibson PA to Director Corporate & Strategy

**Public** There were 6 members of the public present.

Press Nil.

**Apologies** Councillor N B J Horley Coastal Districts Ward

Councillor R A Coghlan Melvista Ward
Councillor N Youngman Dalkeith Ward
Mr A D Melville Acting Director Corporate & Strategy
Mr David & Mrs Jan Lord Alexander Road, Dalkeith

## 1. Procedural Matters

The Presiding Member will outline the procedures of the meeting.

# 2. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Electors of the City of Nedlands held on 12 December 2019 (Attachment 1) and Special Meeting of Electors of the City of Nedlands held on 3 December 2020 (Attachment 2) be confirmed as true and accurate record.

Moved – Councillor Senathirajah Seconded – Councillor Tyson

That the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Electors of the City of Nedlands held on 12 December 2019 be confirmed.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 7/-**

Moved - Councillor Hodsdon Seconded – Councillor R Senathirajah

That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Electors of the City of Nedlands held on 3 December 2020 be confirmed.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 7/-**

# 3. Annual Report 2019/20

Presentation of the City of Nedlands Annual Report 2019/20 (Text & Financial Information - Attachments 3 & 4).

# 3.1 Questions submitted on the Annual Report 2019/20 by Electors prior to the meeting

There were no questions provided prior to the meeting.

# 3.2 Other questions on the Annual Report 2019/20

There were no questions.

#### 4. General Business

# 4.1 General business submitted by Electors prior to the meeting.

Only items received prior to the meeting.

# a. Dr Peter Robins, 10 Edward Street, Nedlands

Newly approved developments on Broadway are now using large commercial billboards to advertise proposed apartments. These large ugly advertisements are a blight on what is still a residential area of character homes and the apartments may take years to sell. The maximum size of a "For Sale" sign according to Nedlands Planning Policy - Signs is 5m2, but these billboards are up to 24m2 (6 x 4m). In addition, at least one is placed outside the boundary wall and is therefore on public property, which is illegal. What are Council officers doing in regard to monitoring compliance of new developments abiding by Nedlands policy in regard to Signs, and why are Council officers not already having these billboards removed?

# City's Response

The signs on Broadway referring to the approved developments are considered Hoarding Signs under the City's Signage Policy. All Hoarding Signs require planning approval.

A summary of the signs on Broadway is as follows:

- "Bloom" sign at No. 93-95 Broadway has approval.
- "Hillway" sign at No. 5 Hillway has approval.
- "Rivean" sign at No. 139 Broadway corner of Hillway has approval
- "Melvista" sign at No. 79-81 does not approval and officers are addressing this with the landowner. The sign will not be permitted within the road reserve.

# b. Mrs Bronwyn Stuckey, 26 Kingsway, Nedlands

I ask these questions in view of the importance of trees in mitigating climate change and in view of Nedlands' dwindling reputation as a "leafy green" suburb.

 What is the Council's policy on protection of street trees?
 What steps does the Council take when street trees are destroyed, either by intention or neglect, adjacent to a development site?

### City's Response

TS11.21 Report was presented to the Ordinary Council Meeting of 22 June 2021. Council resolved that a meeting be attended by the

relevant administration staff, any interested Council members, Prof Hans Lambers and a delegation from Nedlands Tree Canopy Advocates so that amendments to this policy and associated list can be prepared to advertise for public comment ready for final approval by Council at the August 2021 Council meetings.

 What is the Council's policy on retention of trees on private land when a building or demolition permit is issued?

# City's Response

Currently there is no requirement for landowners to seek approval from the City to remove vegetation from private property, unless the retention of the tree(s) is a condition of subdivisional approval (issued by the Western Australian Planning Commission) or a condition of a planning approval.

# c. Ms Elaine Jacoby, 29 Jutland Parade, Dalkeith

(The below questions from Ms Elaine Jacoby around the lighting at David Cruickshank Oval were received Monday 28 June 2021 in the morning. As the City wishes to ensure that we have absolute clarity around this project, the responses will be provided within the minutes).

Increased Lighting at David Cruickshank Oval.

 Why are the ratepayers of the City being asked to subsidise the cost of the increased lighting at the oval by 1/3 of the total cost of \$377k when many of the members of the sporting clubs using this venue are not ratepayers and therefore do not contribute to the overall costs of the City?

# City's Response

 This is not Optus Stadium, considering the impact of the intensity of the 4 lights and the increased luminescence on the homes surrounding the oval especially those homes in Wattle Ave directly opposite the lights.

Why is the height of each of the 4 poles being increased to 25m thus allowing the intense light to invading the privacy and amenity of these residents well into late evening?

# City's Response

 The lights may be left on all night, as has happened in the past creating a massive electricity bill for the City. If this proposal is accepted what safeguard will the council insist on from sporting clubs to ensure that these intrusive lights are not left on all night?

# City's Response

 A direct result of improved night vision will be increased use of this venue i.e., late training, introduction of night games resulting in disturbance to all nearby neighbours with increased traffic noise and parking issues.

# City's Response

Will the Council administration be directed to research the cost to the city of traffic control and issues arising, noise control at late evening events and the impact of strong lighting on residents' homes before this issue is debated by council?

# d. Max Hipkins 36 Minora Road, Dalkeith

What attempts there have been to amend the Local Planning scheme 3 to reduce height limits and increase setbacks, landscaping.

# City's Response

The City of Nedlands since the introduction of Local Planning Scheme 3 has finalised the following amendments to the Scheme, which are currently with the Western Australian Planning Commission awaiting final determination'.

Amendment 7 – which seeks to modify the density coding of a number of properties in South Broadway which would have the effect of reducing building heights and increasing setbacks.

Amendment 8 – which seeks to reduce the density coding for a number of properties along Alexander Road, which would have the effect of reducing the building heights and increasing setbacks.

Amendment 9 - which seeks to introduce a requirement for minimum deep soil areas for single and grouped dwellings, resulting in an increase in the planting of large trees.

Amendment 10 – seeks to introduce increased setbacks and reduce building heights for any future Residential Aged Care Facility approved at the sites affected by Additional Use 9 along Betty Street, Doonan Road and Melvista Avenue.

Amendment 11 – seeks to introduce requirements for Residential Aged Care on land zoned Residential, including setbacks and building heights.

# **Declaration of Closure**

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 7.17pm.