

LEICHHARDT MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

MINUTES of ORDINARY MEETING of Leichhardt Municipal Council held in the Council Chambers Leichhardt Town Hall, Norton Street, Leichhardt on **23 NOVEMBER 2004.**

Present at the commencement of the meeting; Her Worship the Mayor, A. Murphy in the chair, Councillors C. Allen, D. Cobley-Finch, N. Dyer, K. Hamilton, V. Hannaford, M. McKenzie, J. Parker, R. Porteous, M. Sheehan, R. Webb & C. Windsor.

Staff Present : Acting General Manager, Director Environmental & Community Management, Director Infrastructure & Service Delivery, Acting Manager Property and Commercial Services, Manager Recreational Facilities, Executive Officer, Manager Administration Services and Administration Officer.

Meeting Commenced: 7.05pm

BUSINESS:

Before proceeding with the meeting, the Mayor thanked and expressed acknowledgement of the Eora people for taking care of the land, being the traditional owners of the town hall site.

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CONFIRMATION AND/OR CORRECTIONS OF MINUTES ORDINARY AND SPECIAL MEETING

(a) BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT WARD MEETING

C423/04 RESOLVED PARKER/HAMILTON

That the Minutes of the Building & Development Ward Meeting held 12 October 2004 vide minute nos. BDW82/04 to BDW95/04 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(b) ORDINARY MEETING

C424/04 RESOLVED PARKER/HAMILTON

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held 19 October 2004 vide minute nos. C381/04 to C422/04 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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(c) **BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT WARD MEETING**

C425/04 RESOLVED PARKER/HAMILTON

That the Minutes of the Building & Development Committee Meeting held 9 November 2004 vide minute nos. BDW096/04 to BDW 110/04 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**** APOLOGIES AND/OR CONDOLENCES**

NIL

**** DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

NIL

**** MAYORAL MINUTES**

1. FEDERAL ELECTION

The country has just experienced what for some of us has been a very disappointing Federal Election.

In the seats of Sydney and Grayndler however, both of our federal members were returned. Councillors will be aware that both federal members were given shadow portfolio's that are very relevant to residents in the Leichhardt Municipality.

C426/04 RESOLVED MURPHY/COBLEY-FINCH

That Leichhardt Council congratulates our two federal members for their election to parliament.

Leichhardt Council further congratulates Tanya Plibersek for her promotion to the Shadow ministry as Shadow Minister for Work, Family and Community, Shadow Minister for Youth and Early Childhood Education, Shadow Minister Assisting the Leader on the Status of Women.

And Anthony Albanese for his new appointed portfolio of Shadow Minister for Environment and Heritage and Deputy Manager of Opposition Business in the House.

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Further, that the Mayor on behalf of Council write to our two members congratulating them on their election and promotion to shadow cabinet positions of such high relevance to our area.

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED FOR THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WERE;

Councillors Hannaford, Porteous, Parker, Hamilton, Mckenzie, Murphy, Sheehan, Allen, Cobley-Finch, Webb & Windsor.

COUNCILLOR WHO VOTED AGAINST THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS;

Councillor Dyer

1A. SYDNEY KINGSFORD SMITH AIRPORT

C427/04 RESOLVED MURPHY/SHEEHAN

Leichhardt Council confirms its policy opposing any expansion of Sydney Airport and given current concerns about plans to reduce regional airlines' access to KSA,

I move that the Mayor write to the Mayors of Marrickville, Canada Bay and Ashfield Councils requesting a meeting about possible action.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**** MATTER OF URGENCY**

Councillor Sheehan requested that the following matter be dealt with at this meeting as a matter of urgency.

The Mayor ruled it to be an urgent matter and that it be dealt with now.

REDEVELOPMENT OF LAND AT BICENTENNIAL PARK

C428/04 RESOLVED SHEEHAN/ALLEN

In recognition of the close historical ties between the Annandale community and Bicentennial Park that the Mayor request an urgent meeting with the Lord Mayor of Sydney to discuss;

1. Issues raised by residents in relation to the proposal to construct a mangrove on Bicentennial Park stage 2.
2. Impending end of leases, AGL site and smash repairs

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3. Purchase of 11-13 The Crescent
4. Contamination, weed source and plans for the hill (Glebe Jubilee light rail station)
5. Regular meetings in 2005 (each month) with relevant Senior Officers and Councillors from each Council and representatives from the community to progress these projects.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

C429/04 RESOLVED PARKER/PORTEOUS

That Standing Orders be suspended and the following items be brought forward and dealt with now.

Items 19A, 8A, 17, 19, 23, 37, 34A & 23A.

19A. DRAFT LEICHHARDT PARK PLAN OF MANAGEMENT

C430/04 RESOLVED SHEEHAN/PARKER

1. That Council reaffirms its support for an all weather hockey field on oval no 2.
2. Council adopt the draft plan of management for Leichhardt Park and the recommendations contained within it, subject to the amendments 1, 2,5, 6, 7 and 8 listed in 4.8 of the report.
3. Council invite the Glebe District Hockey Club to submit a development application and this DA be expedited and reported to the full Council meeting.
4. Council enter into negotiations with the Department of Lands to formalise Maliyawul Street as a public road at minimal cost to Council. Council investigate the road opening impact on parking.
5. Council seek an urgent meeting with the Minister of Lands if a satisfactory solution to 4. cannot be achieved.
6. Council consider a further report regarding the Lease of Leichhardt Oval No.1 and the required execution of the lease by the Minister for Lands.

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7. Council delegate authority to the Director Environmental and Community Management to undertake minor editorial changes as regards any drafting and mapping inconsistencies in the Plan.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8A. COMMITTEE STRUCTURES

C431/04 RESOLVED COBLEY-FINCH/MCKENZIE

- 2.1 Council adopt a three (3) committee structure model being; Planning Committee, Environment & Recreation Committee, Community Services, Safety & Facilities Committee.
- 2.2 Existing sub-committees and taskforces report to Council through the appropriate policy committee, with the exception of the DA Taskforce, M4 East Taskforce and Friends of the Parks.
- 2.3 The new committee structure commence in February 2005.
- 2.4 Council nominate six (6) Councillors as members of each of the three (3) committees.
- 2.6 A permanent Chair and alternative Chair for the term of each committee be elected by Council.
- 2.7 Terms of Reference be the subject of a report to the initial meeting of each committee.
- 2.8 Each committee be run in accordance with meeting regulations.
- 2.9 The Planning Committee to meet on the second Thursday of each month. The Community Services, Safety and Facilities Committee to meet on the first Wednesday of each month. The meeting schedule for the Environment and Recreation Committee to be determined by the General Manager.
- 2.10 The committees do not have any delegations.
- 2.11 Voting at meetings be by open vote of all members.
- 2.12 Membership to Committees be open to all local residents and an advertisement be placed in the local paper inviting residents to join.
- 2.13 The operation of the new committee structure be reviewed after 12 months.

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Councillors Hannaford, Porteous, Parker, Hamilton, Mckenzie, Murphy, Sheehan, Allen, Cobley-Finch, Webb And Windsor

COUNCILLOR WHO VOTED AGAINST THE RESOLUTIONS WAS;

Councillor Dyer

17. MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

C432/04 RESOLVED MURPHY/ALLEN

That Council adopt the minutes of the Community Safety Committee held on 3 November 2004 with the accompanying recommendations and the additional recommendation;

1. A meeting be convened as a matter of urgency at Marr Reserve to identify potential uses for the park.
2. Details of the meeting be reported back through the Community Safety Committee.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.15pm Councillor Cobley-Finch left the meeting.

19. MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER PLANNING COMMITTEE

C433 /04 RESOLVED DYER/WINDSOR

That Council adopt the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 14 November 2004 with the accompanying recommendations subject to the following changes;

Item 3 – Draft Open Space and Recreation DCP 2004

The above item be deferred and a workshop be held with interested Councillors and members of the Planning Committee.

Item 5 – DCP35 Exempt and Complying Development- Flagpoles

That a development application be required for all flagpoles.

9.25pm Councillor Cobley-Finch returned to the meeting.

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THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

23. MINUTES OF THE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

C434/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/SHEEHAN

That the minutes of the Local Traffic Committee held 29 October 2004 be received and the accompanying recommendations be adopted subject to the following amendment;

Item 2.2 Traffic Arrangements – McDonald Street, Leichhardt

The matter be referred back to the traffic committee for further investigation and consultation with residents.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

37. ASBESTOS POLICY

C435/04 RESOLVED MCKENZIE/HAMILTON

- 1) That Leichhardt Council adopt the current asbestos policy of Holroyd Council as a minimum standard with the intention of upgrading conditions to achieve full compliance. Prior to demolition, the applicant shall submit an asbestos clearance prepared by a registered Hygenist to the Principal Certifying Authority.
- 2) Delegate to the Director Environmental and Community Management to consider the recommendations in Item 340/04 of the Ordinary Council meeting of Ashfield Council 12 October 2004 report to the next Ordinary Council meeting. The report to Council to include an analysis of Council's capacity to respond to requests given current resources.
- 3) The report to also address the issue of adding a condition to every development application pertaining to asbestos lead removal unless the applicant proves there is no asbestos on site.
- 4) That Leichhardt Council assessment and compliance officers be trained by an authorised training company such as Comet (training arm of the CFMEU) or another authorised company, in the correct identification of asbestos.
- 5) That Leichhardt Council provide educational material to assist residents (including at the Pre DA level) doing home

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maintenance and minor works to recognise where asbestos may be present to understand the dangers and procedures which should be followed.

- 6) That the Mayor write to the State Government pointing out the problems of the cost of disposal and recommending legislation to force producers to pay for a government disposal facility.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

34A. WETHERILL STREET LEICHHARDT

C436 /04 LOST MOTION PARKER/PORTEOUS

The purchase of 17, 19 and 21 Wetherill Street, Leichhardt not proceed for a range of reasons including;

** The Valuer General has determined that the value of the Bells Foreshore Site is more than 2 million dollars over the expected valuation.*

** Leichhardt residents are strongly opposed to the purchase of the Wetherill St properties*

** There has been no report to Council identifying possible uses for these properties*

** This project has not been identified by Council staff as a priority in our budgeting and capital expenditure projections*

** The current owner has not agreed on a price with Council*

** There has been no compelling need to purchase these properties identified by residents or Council.*

Accordingly Council resolves that the resolution to purchase the Wetherill street properties be rescinded

The above motion was LOST.

***COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED FOR THE ABOVE MOTION WERE;
Councillors Allen, Mckenzie, Hamilton, Parker & Porteous***

COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED AGAINST THE MOTION WERE;

***Councillors Webb, Windsor, Cobley-Finch, Sheehan, Murphy,
Hannaford, Dyer***

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9.39pm Councillor Cobley-Finch retired from the meeting.

23A. PARKING MANAGEMENT

C437 /04 RESOLVED PARKER/ALLEN

That Council;

1. Allocates, in lieu of holding two meter free sessions, \$30,000 for each of the Leichhardt/Annandale and Balmain/Rozelle business centres to be supplemented by local business/local chamber funds in order to immediately develop and implement an on going and sustainable marketing and promotion campaign targeted to the business centres respective needs and priorities; and that the campaign development be commenced immediately with a detailed implementation report to be submitted to Council at its February meeting including recommendations for ongoing funding for the draft 2005/6 management plan and budget.
2. A Committee of Councillors be convened to examine the proposals (in consultation with Chambers of Commerce) and other options to revitalise mainstreets.
3. Endorses the location for installation of an additional 51 by 15 minute free parking spaces to be installed prior to Christmas in Leichhardt, Rozelle and Balmain
4. Notes the strategies contained in this report for extra on and off street parking opportunities in and around Leichhardt, Rozelle and Balmain and in particular;
 - 4.1 Immediately consult with residents and businesses for the introduction of angle parking in William Street Leichhardt with a report to the February Traffic Committee and Ordinary Council Meeting
 - 4.2 Prepare and exhibit a concept plan to provide for additional off street parking on Council's current Leichhardt civic precinct site; the Merton St Rozelle site; and the John McMahon child care centre site.
 - 4.3 Investigate the option for introduction of angle parking opportunities in Booth St Balmain.
 - 4.4 Undertake construction of the Hamilton St car parking area as soon as Council becomes the owner of the site.

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- 5. Notes that tenders will now be immediately sought for parking meter maintenance and specific operational improvements including extra lighting, new signage and parking meter conversion from multi bay to pay n display for easier operational use.
- 6. Exhibit the Norton St proposals for street furniture and street lighting improvements early in the New Year following initial consultation with the Leichhardt Chamber of Commerce; with a report back to Council in March 2005.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED AFTER AN AMENDMENT WAS VOTED ON AND LOST.

THE LOST AMENDMENT (DYER/HANNAFORD) WAS;

As per the adopted motion, the only difference being 4.1 to read;

Immediately consult with residents and businesses for the introduction of angle parking in Carlisle, Marlborough, Cromwell & William Street Leichhardt with a report to the February Traffic Committee & Ordinary Council Meeting.

The above amendment was LOST, with the vote being;

FOR: Councillors Hannaford, Dyer, Murphy, Sheehan & Windsor

AGAINST: Councillors Porteous, Parker, Hamilton, McKenzie, Allen & Webb

**** SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

C438/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

That Standing Orders be suspended and the following items be dealt with concurrently and the recommendations contained in the reports be adopted;

2,7,9,14,15,16,18,20, 22,25,26,26a,27,29,30 and 32

2. SUMMARY OF MAYORAL MINUTE RESOLUTIONS FROM OCTOBER 2004

C439 /04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

That the information be received and noted.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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7. SUMMARY OF GENERAL MANAGER RESOLUTIONS

C440 /04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

That the information be received and noted.

9. SUMMARY OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT RESOLUTIONS

C441/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

That the information be received and noted.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

14. MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER DISABILITY POLICY ACCESS COMMITTEE

C442/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

That Council adopt the minutes of the Disability Policy Access Committee held on Wednesday 13 October 2004 with the accompanying recommendations.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

15. MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

C443/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

That Council adopt the minutes of the Community Services Committee held on 13 October 2004 with the accompanying recommendations.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

16. MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

C444/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

That Council adopt the minutes of the Community Services Committee held on 10 November 2004 with the accompanying recommendations.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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18. MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER PLANNING COMMITTEE

C445/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

That Council adopt the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting of 14 October 2004 with the accompanying recommendations.

20. SUMMARY OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICE DELIVERY RESOLUTIONS

C446/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

That the information be received and noted.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

22. CAR SHARING

C447/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

That the report be received and noted

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

25. ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2004

C448/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

2.1 That Council note and accept the auditor's report.

2.2 That Council resolves to accept the 2003/04 Audited Financial Reports.

2.3 That Council present to the public the audited financial reports and auditor's report.

2.4 That Council express its appreciation to the auditors, Warton Thompson and Co, for their assistance throughout the 2003/04 financial year.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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26. 1st QUARTERLY REVIEW -2004/2005 MANAGEMENT PLAN

C449/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

That Council receive and note the report.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

26A. BUDGET REVIEW – QUARTER 1 2004/2005

C450/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

2.1 That Council adopt increased net expenditure of \$136,357, decreased net revenue of \$41,208 and the revised budget deficit for 2004/05 of \$177,565 as detailed in this report.

2.2 That the budget review to be undertaken for the 6 months to 31 December 2004 include recommendations to restore Council's balanced budget.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

27. ANNUAL REPORTS – COMMUNITY CENTRES

C451/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

The information be received and noted.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

29. STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT BALANCES AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2004

C452/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

That the Statement of Investment Balances as at the 31 October 2004 be received and noted.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

30. MICROFICHING OF COUNCIL RATE BOOKS 1880

C453/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

That Council Rate Books for the period of 1880 –1920 be microfiched and be made available for public access at Leichhardt and Balmain libraries utilising Section 94 funds.

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32. SUMMARY OF CORPORATE AND INFORMATION SERVICES RESOLUTIONS FROM OCTOBER 2004

C454/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

That the information be received and noted.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. SUMMARY OF PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE RESOLUTIONS FROM OCTOBER 2004

C455/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PORTEOUS

That the information be received and noted.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**** MATTER ARISING FROM ITEM 3**

In response to a question from Councillor Porteous, the Acting General Manager advised that he would advise Councillors on the timing of the report to Council on the current and future predicted support for East Timor and recommendations regarding where funding can be most effectively directed.

4. INNER WEST CHAVURAH - HALL HIRE FEE WAIVER

C456/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PARKER

The Inner West Chavurah be given a fee waiver for their use of the Annandale Town Hall – back hall on Saturday 11 December 2004.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. LEICHHARDT SWIMMING CLUB - USE OF LILYFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE

C457/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/PARKER

The Leichhardt Swimming Club receive a fee waiver for their monthly meetings at the Lilyfield Community Centre meeting room.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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6. REQUEST FROM ROTARY CLUB OF BONDI JUNCTION INC

C458/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/WEBB

That \$175 be allocated from the Councillors major issues budget to the Rotary Club of Bondi for 5 children from the Leichhardt Municipality to attend the "Childrens Film Festival" in December 2004.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6A. GENERAL MANAGER'S DELEGATION (LAND OWNER'S CONSENT TO LODGE A DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION)

C459/04 RESOLVED MURPHY/SHEEHAN

Council refuse to grant land owner's consent to the lodgement of the DA and refuse the request for an airspace licence for structures on and above the Norton Street footpath adjacent to 143-149 Norton Street Leichhardt.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. ERNIE THE FRIDGE MAN MEMORIAL

C460/04 RESOLVED SHEEHAN/WINDSOR

That Council approve the allocation of funds totalling \$2400 towards the erection of a memorial plaque to Ernie Ridding in Glebe Memorial Gardens in the grounds of St John's Anglican Church, Glebe in line with the previously adopted recommendation.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. A/2004/18 101-105 NORTON STREET LEICHHARDT REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF ACTIVITY APPLICATION FEE FOR LEICHHARDT PRIMARY SCHOOL FETE

C461/04 RESOLVED PARKER/HANNAFORD

That Council resolve to waive the \$1,320.00 fee for the 2004 Leichhardt Public School fete activity application as the applicant, Leichhardt Public School P & C, is a non-profit charitable organisation.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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**11. DEPARTMENT OF AGEING, DISABILITY AND HOME CARE,
FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR 2004-2005**

C462/04 RESOLVED PARKER/WINDSOR

That Council resolve to affix the Council seal to the 2004-2005 Department of Ageing Disability and Home Care agreement.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**12. PARRAMATTA ROAD TASKFORCE STRUCTURE PLAN/VISION
AND OBJECTIVES**

C463/04 RESOLVED SHEEHAN/WINDSOR

- 2.1 Receive and note the report;
- 2.2 Endorse DIPNR's revised Sector Structure Plan program outlined in this report; and
- 2.3 Endorse the Draft Statement of the Vision and Objectives for Sector 1 included in this report, and forward it to the Parramatta Road taskforce for their consideration.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. COMMUNITY FUNDING PROGRAM

C464/04 RESOLVED PARKER/SHEEHAN

That the following groups be allocated grants totalling \$21,214 for the 2004-05 year under the Community Funding Program, as follows:

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| 1. | Italian Christian Workers Association (ACLI) | \$500 |
| 2. | Annandale Playgroup | \$1,000 |
| 3. | Annandale Urban Research Association | \$1,000 |
| 4. | Balmain Garden Club | \$300 |
| 5. | CoAsIt | \$1,000 |
| 6. | Ethnic Craft Group | \$1,000 |
| 7. | KU Children Services | \$1,000 |
| 8. | Leichhardt Community Youth Association | \$1,000 |
| 9. | Leichhardt Community Youth Association | \$1,000 |
| 10. | Leichhardt Family Support Service (Centacare) | \$1,000 |
| 11. | Leichhardt Family Support Service (Centacare) | \$700 |
| 12. | Leichhardt Historical Journal | \$1,000 |
| 13. | Leichhardt Out of School Care | \$1,000 |
| 14. | Leichhardt Women's Community Health Centre | \$1,000 |

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15.	Leichhardt Urban Research Association	\$1,000
16.	Lifeline Sydney	\$500
17.	Little Nicholson Street Playcentre	\$1,000
18.	NSW Writers Centre	\$500
19.	Police Citizens Youth Club (PCYC)	\$1,000
20.	Rainbow Club	\$1,000
21.	Royal Blind Society	\$1,000
22.	Rozelle Neighbourhood Centre	\$1,000
23.	Sydney Community College	\$1,000
24.	Technical Aid to the Disabled	\$714

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

21. ALTERNATIVE FUELS

C465/04 RESOLVED PARKER/HAMILTON

- 2.1 That Council receive and note the report.
- 2.2 That Council purchase a Hybrid truck (diesel / electric) as soon as they are commercially available.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

31. HAMILTON STREET ROZELLE – ROAD CLOSURE AND LAND EXCHANGE

C466/04 RESOLVED PARKER/HAMILTON

1. That authority is delegated to the General Manager to finalise the terms of and execute, on behalf of Council, an agreement between Council and the Minister for Education and Training (“DET”) for the exchange of Lot 1 of the closed part of Hamilton Street Rozelle (as approved by Development Approval No. D/2003/636) for lot 1 DP 120186 and lot 1 DP 120188.
2. That, upon acquisition by Council of lot 1 DP 120186 and lot 1 DP 120188, Public Notice be given under section 34 of the Local Government Act, 1993 of a proposed resolution that they be classified as operational land.
3. That, upon acquisition by Council, lot 1 DP120186, lot 1 DP 120188 and lot 2 of the closed road continue to be used as a public car park in the short to medium term, with Council undertaking any necessary work to bring the site to the required standard for a Council-owned public car park.

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4. That a further report be brought to Council on possible long-term uses of the site, including as a multi-purpose community/aged centre with underground public car parking.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

24. SUMMARY OF CORPORATE AND INFORMATION SERVICES RESOLUTIONS FROM

C467 /04 RESOLVED PARKER/HAMILTON

That the information be received and noted.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

28. HALL HIRE WAIVERS/REDUCTION FOR QUARTER ENDING 30/9/04

C468/ 04 RESOLVED MURPHY/PARKER

1. Council amend its hall hire policy to allow Councillors to book all halls & meeting rooms (with the exception of the Leichhardt Town Hall and Balmain Town Hall) free of charge, so long as a Councillor is present at the meeting.
2. A report be prepared on the usage of the Leichhardt Town Hall over the last 12 months and a comparison of fees charged with other Councils.

31A. LEICHHARDT PARK AQUATIC CENTRE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN

C469/04 RESOLVED SHEEHAN/PARKER

- 2.1 That Council adopt the LPAC masterplan for the purposes of exhibition.
- 2.2 That the masterplan be exhibited until the end of February 2005 and no works commence until the master plan is adopted.
- 2.3 That cost estimates, revenue projections, funding and staging options be explored to incorporate into Council's 2005/2008 Management Planning process.
- 2.4 That cost estimates, revenue projections and funding options for 2005/2008 management planning process be included for the option of the new pool situated approximately where the current diving pool is, to be suitable for water polo use.

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- 2.5 That Council immediately prepare detailed plans for the renovation of the existing changerooms and investigate the provision of staff change room facilities and after further consultation with the LPAC Working Group, lodge a development application to undertake the work.
- 2.6 That Council commit in principle to replace the aging LPAC heat pumps, with energy efficient options explored, grant funding sought, and recommendations reported back to Council.
- 2.7 Council makes a commitment to ensure concession entry fees are maintained at a low level in comparison with other leisure centres.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

33. COMPOSTING AND REDISTRIBUTION OF PUTRESCIBLE WASTE

C470/04 RESOLVED SHEEHAN/MURPHY

To further increase Leichhardt's levels of sustainable practice in relation to consumption that Council identify a collection process and local site (s) for composting and redistribution of putrescible waste. The project may be suitable as a joint project between adjoining councils. That a report be brought to the February meeting of Council outlining a program to be implemented in the 2005/06 management plan and budget.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.30PM SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS – EXTENSION OF TIME TO CONTINUE MEETING

C471/04 RESOLVED WINDSOR/WEBB

In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, Council grant an extension of time of 30 minutes to continue the meeting.

10.35pm Councillor Windsor retired from the meeting.

34. MARRICKVILLE TRUCK TUNNEL

C472/04 RESOLVED MURPHY/SHEEHAN

1. That Council write to the RTA requesting all relevant documents

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relating to the 'Marrickville Truck Tunnel", opposing emission stacks and requesting the location of entries and exits to the tunnel.

2. Council write to the Mayors of Marrickville and Ashfield Councils requesting a meeting of all three Mayors to discuss the impact of the proposed tunnel on residents.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND WAS AN AMENDMENT TO A MOTION WHICH WAS LOST.

THE LOST MOTION (COUNCILLORS PORTEOUS/PARKER) WAS;

1. *Seek an urgent meeting with Marrickville and Ashfield Councils composed of the Mayors, interested Councillors and Strategic Planners from each Council to discuss the wider traffic and health implications of this proposal.*
2. *To engage Marrickville and Ashfield Councils in the development of a united Inner West Councils' position on the area's urgent need for an integrated Public Transport strategy which rejects the RTA's push for endless motorway building.*
3. *Seek urgent advice from Director-General, DIPNR and the Minister for Roads, regarding their respective positions on this proposal and its linkages to the M4 East and Parramatta Road.*
4. *Demand disclosure from the RTA of, and pursue urgently under Freedom of Information, access to all relevant documents relating to the so-called "Marrickville Truck Tunnel" including*
 - a. Reports*
 - b. Traffic studies*
 - c. Correspondence between the RTA and Ashfield and/or Marrickville Councils and/or Sydney Airports*
 - d. Minutes of meetings between the RTA and these organisations*
5. *Oppose in the strongest terms this approach to road planning that simply consists of shifting traffic and pollution from one suburb to another.*
6. *Notify in writing affected Leichhardt residents within 2km of the proposed stack as soon as possible of the proposal and confirm that their Council will be working to protect their interests and that of their wider community in what will be a serious loss of amenity to affected residents.*

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THE VOTE FOR THE LOST MOTION WAS;

FOR: Councillors Mckenzie, Hamilton, Parker & Porteous

AGAINST: Councillors Webb, Allen, Sheehan, Murphy, Dyer & Hannaford

35. PUBLIC TRANSPORT MOTION

C473/04 RESOLVED PORTEOUS/HAMILTON

That in addition to lobbying State and Federal authorities, Leichhardt Council take practical steps to increase public transport usage and reduce car usage by actively promoting at every opportunity the public transport that already exists and by doing everything possible to improve conditions for bus, ferry and train or light rail passengers.

That steps Council take include the following:

1. Include public transport information when advertising the Council's own facilities or events (swimming pools, libraries, parks and social clubs, street fairs etc.)
2. Encourage businesses, clubs, schools, sports and social groups to include public transport (and not just parking arrangements) in their advertisements.
3. Arrange for timetable leaflets to be available at street carnivals, festivals etc.
4. Include the STA web address and phone number in Council newsletters.
5. Consult with the Chambers of Commerce on the idea of rewarding shoppers who come by public transport (competition prize, fare refund, purchase discount etc).
6. Stock bus, ferry and train timetables at Council offices and libraries.
7. Ensure bus stops are in best positions for passengers, have easily-read timetables and are brightly-lit and well-maintained.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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36. ROZELLE BAY

C474/04 RESOLVED HAMILTON/PORTEOUS

That Leichhardt Council seeks to have access, under FOI, to the proposed leases and any relevant documents between the Waterways Authority and the two development companies Rozelle Bay Pty Ltd and The Slipways.

**** THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

NIL

**** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

The following items are listed for consideration by Council in Committee of the Whole with the press and public excluded, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10A 2 (d) of the Local Government Act, 1993.

Council resolved to meet in the Committee of the Whole at 10.55pm with the press and public excluded after a MOTION (SHEEHAN/PARKER) to that effect was CARRIED.

1. M4 CAMPAIGN

CW15/04 RECOMMENDATION PARKER/PORTEOUS

- 2.1 That the Social Change Strategy Development Report be used as a framework to oppose the M4.
- 2.2 That any campaign strategies be met from the existing budget allocation of \$16,500, excluding \$30,000 already set aside for a critical review of the EIS.
- 2.3 That Council pursue strategies that can be undertaken in house and managed by Council media officer.
- 2.4 That the key strategies for Stage 1 prior to release of the EIS comprise:
 - Impacts Brochure
 - Banners
 - Lobbying of State Member
 - Stakeholder Briefing Presentation
 - Media Management

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- Campaign branding

2.5 That Expressions of Interest for a critical review of the EIS include costings of an alternative options paper.

2.6 That indicative costs provided be further reviewed to establish what other strategies can be carried out within the budget.

2. **2-8 WESTON STREET EAST BALMAIN –COMPENSATION FOR COMPULSORY ACQUISITION**

CW16/04 RECOMMENDATION PARKER/MCKENZIE

1. That Council receive and note the report.
2. That Council undertake a review of its property capital plan and funding options for the purchase of 2-8 Weston St, with a working party of Councillors formed to review the plan and report back to Council.
3. That in the interim, major purchases or works identified in the property capital plan be deferred until it has been reviewed by Council.

3. **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REVIEW**

CW17/04 RECOMMENDATION PARKER/SHEEHAN

- 2.1 That Council engage consultant Peter Woods, OAM, in accordance with his submission dated 5th November 2004 to conduct a review of Council's development application processes in order to reduce assessment times and provide a more responsive service for our community
- 2.2 That public submissions be accepted until the end of the third week in February 2005.

** **RETURN TO OPEN COUNCIL**

Open Council resumed at 10.59pm after a MOTION (PARKER/SHEEHAN) to that effect was CARRIED.

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**** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

C475/04 RESOLVED SHEEHAN/ALLEN

That the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole minute numbers CW15/04 to CW17/04 be adopted by Council.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting closed at 11.00pm.