



North Metropolitan Zone

Minutes

22 April 2021

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Hosted by the City of Wanneroo

23 Dundobar Road, Wanneroo, 9405 5000

Thursday 22 April 2021, commenced at 6:00 pm

Minutes

MEMBERS

4 Voting Delegates from each Member Council

City of Joondalup	Mayor Hon. Albert Jacob JP - Chair Cr Russ Fishwick JP Mr Brad Sillence, Manager Governance – non-voting delegate
City of Stirling	Mayor Mark Irwin Cr Stephanie Proud JP Cr David Lagan Cr Chris Hatton Mr Desmond Ngara, Service Lead Compliance, Risk & Information Manager – non-voting delegate
City of Wanneroo	Mayor Tracey Roberts, WALGA President Cr Frank Cvitan JP Cr Dot Newton Ms Noelene Jennings, Acting Chief Executive Officer – non-voting delegate Mr Mustafa Yildiz, Executive Manager Governance and Legal – non-voting delegate
WALGA Representatives	Bec Waddington, Community Policy Officer Mal Shervill, Policy Officer - Road Safety
DLGSC Representative	Tim Fraser Executive Director Local Government Adam Ford Legislation Officer, Regulatory Services
Guest Speakers	Ms Olivia Birkett, Tennis West

APOLOGIES

City of Joondalup	Cr John Logan Mr James Pearson, Chief Executive Officer Mr Jamie Parry, Director Governance and Strategy
City of Stirling	Mr Stuart Jardine, Chief Executive Officer – non-voting delegate Mr Jamie Blanchard, Manager Governance – non-voting delegate
City of Wanneroo	Cr Glynis Parker Mr Daniel Simms, Chief Executive Officer

ABSENT

City of Joondalup	Cr Russell Poliwka
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zone Delegates were requested to provide sufficient written notice, wherever possible, on amendments to recommendations within the State Council or Zone agenda prior to the Zone meeting to the Chair and Secretariat.

Agenda Papers were emailed 7 days prior to the meeting date to your Council for distribution to Zone Delegates.

Confirmation of Attendance an attendance sheet was circulated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

Acknowledgement of Country All attendees acknowledged the traditional owners of the land that the meeting is held on and paying respects to Elders past, present and future.

ATTACHMENTS WITHIN THE AGENDA

1. Draft Minutes of previous meeting
2. Zone Status Report
3. Standing Orders
4. President's Report

MEETING DECLARED OPEN BY WALGA SECRETARIAT

The WALGA secretariat (Mr Shervill) declared the meeting open based on the Chair being delayed due to another commitment. Nominations were called for a temporary Chair until the substantive Chair arrived.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Mark Irwin
Seconded: Cr Frank Cvitan

That Cr Fishwick from the City of Joondalup be nominated to Chair the meeting.

CARRIED

Cr Fishwick commenced chairing the meeting.

1. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Elected Members must declare to the Chairman any potential conflict of interest they have in a matter before the Zone as soon as they become aware of it. Councillors and deputies may be directly or indirectly associated with some recommendations of the Zone and State Council. If you are affected by these recommendations, please excuse yourself from the meeting and do not participate in deliberations.

There were no declarations of interest declared.

2 DEPUTATIONS

All Deputations have a time limit of 20 minutes, which includes questions time.

2.1 Tennis West

Ms Olivia Birkett, Tennis West presented to the Zone on the Eight Pillars of Thriving Tennis Communities; and the stakeholder engagement model used by Tennis West.

Mayor Albert Jacob arrived during presentation from Tennis West and assumed the Chair of the meeting.

2.2 Deputation Adjustment

The Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage advised that information on the new Legislation and Noongar Agreement will now be provided to Local Governments via an alternative format. Further information on this will be communicated in due course; therefore, no presentation will be made to the Zone meeting.

Noted

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr David Lagan
Seconded: Cr Russ Fishwick

That the Minutes of the meeting of the North Metropolitan Zone held on 18 February 2021 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING

A Status Report outlining the actions taken on the Zone's resolutions was enclosed as an attachment.

Noted.

5. REPORTS FROM MEMBER COUNCILS

No reports from member Councils

6. STATE COUNCIL AGENDA - MATTERS FOR DECISION

(Zone delegates to consider the Matters for Decision contained in the WA Local Government Association State Council Agenda and put forward resolutions to Zone Representatives on State Council)

The full State Council Agenda can be found via link: [State-Council-Agenda-5-May-2021](#)

The Zone is able to provide comment or submit an alternative recommendation that is then presented to the State Council for consideration.

Matters for Decision

5.1 Local Government Financial Ratios

That WALGA:

1. Advocate to the Minister for Local Government to amend the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 to prescribe the following ratios:
 - a. Operating Surplus Ratio,
 - b. Net Financial Liabilities Ratio,
 - c. Debt Service Coverage Ratio, and
 - d. Current Ratio.

2. Recommend that Local Governments consider including Asset Management ratios in their Annual Report.
3. Request the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries to review the Asset Management ratios in consultation with the Local Government sector.
4. Continue the Local Government Financial Ratios Working Group as a reference group for the development of a Model set of Financial Statements and Budget Statements, and to establish new financial indicators.

5.2 Roads Asset Preservation Model Review

That WALGA:

1. Seek support from the WA Local Government Grants Commission to provide presentations on the inputs, operation of and outputs of the Road Asset Preservation Model at Zone or Regional Road Group meetings where requested.
2. Advocate to the WA Local Government Grants Commission to improve the formatting and labelling of the model and make it available via the Commission's website.

5.3 Western Australian Development Index

That the development and implementation of the Western Australian Development Index, led by the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries, be supported.

5.4 Review of the State Industrial Relations System

That WALGA:

1. Seek confirmation from the State Government on whether it intends to re-introduce legislation for Local Governments to operate solely in the State Industrial Relations System.
2. If the State Government reintroduces legislation to require all Local Governments to operate within the State Industrial Relations System, continue to advocate for the State Government to:
 - a. Amend the Industrial Relations Act 1979 (WA) to include additional provisions to modernise the State IR system; and
 - b. Provide adequate funding and resourcing to ensure Local Governments are equipped with the appropriate tools and training to enable a smooth transition.

Matters for Noting

- 6.1 New Regulations Update – Model Code of Conduct for Council Members, Committee Members and Candidates; and CEO Standards for Recruitment, Performance Review and Termination
- 6.2 State Election Campaign
- 6.3 Draft Position Statement: Dark Sky and Astrotourism
- 6.4 Report Municipal Waste Advisory Council (MWAC)

RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Mark Irwin
Seconded: Cr Russ Fishwick

That the North Metropolitan Zone

1. Supports all Matters for Decision as listed above in the May 2021 State Council Agenda; and
2. Notes all Matters for Noting and Organisational Reports as listed in the May 2021 State Council Agenda.

CARRIED

7. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

7.1 President's Report to the Zone

Mayor Tracey Roberts, WALGA President, presented the President's Report to the North Metropolitan Zone.

Noted

7.2 State Councillor's report to the Zone

Cr Frank Cvitan presented on the previous State Council meeting to the North Metropolitan Zone.

Noted

7.3 Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries Representative Update Report.

Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries representative, Tim Fraser Executive Director Local Government and Adam Ford Legislation Officer, Regulatory Services updated the Zone on DLGSC issues. Mr Fraser informed the Zone of the Department working with affected Local Government as part of disaster relief after cyclone Seroja; meetings between the Department and Minister Carey; the Department developing Work Programs; and the Department's engagement with Local Governments in the future.

Noted

7.4 Topics for next meeting update by the DLGSC

The Zone agreed to receive an update and/or information on the following topics at the next Zone meeting.

- Libraries – the Department's future direction on libraries (Cr Lagan).
- Hydrogen - the Department's future direction on hydrogen as an energy source from a business and tourism perspective (Cr Lagan).
- Electric Vehicle charging stations - the Department's direction on fees and charges for electric vehicles, location of charging stations, and thinking associated with current businesses being converted to charging stations (Cr Lagan).

8. BUSINESS

No further business

9. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business

10. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Albert Jacob
Seconded: Cr Russ Fishwick

That the next ordinary meeting of the North Metropolitan Zone will be held at 6:00pm on Thursday 17 June 2021 at the City Joondalup, commencing at 6pm.

CARRIED

11. CLOSURE

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 7.11pm.