



CITY OF HOBART

MINUTES

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING (OPEN PORTION OF THE MEETING) MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 16 MARCH 2016 AT 5.00 PM

PRESENT: The Lord Mayor Alderman S L Hickey, Alderman P S Cocker (Chairman), the Deputy Lord Mayor Alderman R G Christie, Aldermen M Zucco, E R Ruzicka, J R Briscoe and A M Reynolds.

The Lord Mayor was co-opted to the Committee.

Alderman Reynolds arrived at the meeting at 5.01 pm, was not present for item 1, left the meeting at 6.08 pm and returned at 6.09 pm.

Alderman Briscoe arrived at the meeting at 5.06 pm during the discussion on item 5 and was not present for items 1-4.

APOLOGIES: Nil.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: Nil.

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RUZICKA

That the Lord Mayor Alderman Hickey be co-opted to the Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES	NOES
Cocker	
Deputy Lord Mayor Christie	
Zucco	
Ruzicka	

1. MINUTES OF THE OPEN PORTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 16 FEBRUARY 2016

DEPUTY LORD MAYOR	That the minutes be signed as a true and correct record.
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MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES	NOES
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Zucco	
Ruzicka	
Lord Mayor Hickey	

The minutes were signed.

2. CONSIDERATION OF SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS TO THE AGENDA

RUZICKA	That the recommendation as contained at item 2 on the agenda, as detailed below, be adopted.
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“That the Committee resolve to deal with any supplementary items not appearing on the agenda, as reported by the General Manager in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.”

MOTION CARRIED

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Item No. 2 continued

VOTING RECORD

AYES	NOES
Cocker	
Deputy Lord Mayor Christie	
Zucco	
Ruzicka	
Lord Mayor Hickey	

3. INDICATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No pecuniary or conflicts of interest were indicated.

4. TRANSFER OF AGENDA ITEMS

No items were transferred.

Mr Evan Boardman, Director of Environment Sustainable Development Economics, and Mr Rob Kingston, Cellar Door Manager, Lark Distillery, addressed the Committee in respect to item 5.

5. CIVIC SQUARE MASTER PLAN – FILE REFS: 32-20-8; P/10-14/437

RUZICKA	That the recommendation contained in the report of the Deputy General Manager of 18 February 2016, as detailed below:
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That: 1. *The report be received and noted.*

2. *The Council endorse the Civic Square Master Plan.*

3. *Officers be authorised to develop a methodology to implement the Master Plan.*

4. *The General Manager be authorised to negotiate with the existing tenants on the site such that new leases are granted and the outcome of those negotiations to be considered by the Council.*

be adopted with the following amendments:

1. The substitution of the word *endorse* in clause 2 with *note*.

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2. Substituting clause 3 with the following:
 3. Officers be authorised to develop a methodology to implement the Master Plan, in consultation with existing tenants regarding future interest in the site.
3. The substitution of the words *such that new leases are granted* in clause 4 with the words *to secure tenure until such time the Master Plan is finalised*.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

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Ruzicka	
Lord Mayor Hickey	

Ms Andrea Gerrard, Chairperson and Mr Harry Quick, Committee Member of the Tasmanian Headstone Project, addressed the Committee in respect to item 6.

6. TASMANIAN HEADSTONE PROJECT – GRANT – FILE REF: 14-50-1

LORD MAYOR

That the recommendation contained in the report of the Director City Planning and the Senior Cultural Heritage Officer of 8 March 2016, as detailed below:

That: 1. The report be received and noted.

2. *The Council agree to provide a grant of \$10,000 to the Tasmanian Headstone Project for the purposes of erecting 23 memorial headstones and plaques at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery, to honour returned servicemen and women from the Hobart community whose graves are currently unmarked.*
 - (i) *The grant to be disclosed in the City of Hobart's 2015/2016 Annual Report in accordance with its policy in respect to grants and benefits disclosure.*

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- (ii) *The grant be attributed to the promotion, educational and interpretation allocation within the Heritage and Conservation function of the 2015/2016 Annual Plan.*
3. *The grant be conditional upon a formal agreement between the Council and the Tasmanian Headstone Project (as the recipient) and the Families and Friends of the First A.I.F. Inc. (as the auspicing organisation).*

be adopted with the following amendments:

1. Substituting clause 2 with the following:
 2. The Council agree to provide a grant of \$10,000 per annum for 3 years to the Tasmanian Headstone Project for the purposes of erecting memorial headstones and plaques at the Cornelian Bay Cemetery, to honour returned servicemen and women from the Hobart community whose graves are currently unmarked.
2. The addition of clause 4 to read as follows:
 4. The General Manager be authorised to undertake discussions with the Tasmanian Headstone Project for the purposes of the Council providing additional in-kind support as appropriate.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES	NOES
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Ruzicka	
Lord Mayor Hickey	

7. ANZAC COMMEMORATIONS IN 2016 – REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING – FILE REF: 13-35-10

DEPUTY LORD MAYOR

That the recommendation contained in the report of the Group Manager Executive and Economic Development of 16 March 2016, as detailed below, be adopted.

That: 1. The report be received and noted.

2. The information provided to Council be received and noted.

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Item No. 7 continued

3. *The Committee considers the request from the Hobart ANZAC Day Commemorative Committee to waive the fees of \$2,780 relating to street and civic banners and \$900 relating to the hall hire of City Hall.*
4. *The Committee considers approving the Centenary of ANZAC banners to be erected at the Town Hall.*
5. *The Committee considers once off funding to the Hobart ANZAC Day Commemorative Committee of up to \$2,200 relating to the Order of Service and Australian hand flags for which these costs could be funded from Lord Mayor's Support Civic and Ceremonial budget function.*
6. *Details of the total grant package provided be disclosed in the City of Hobart's 2015/2016 Annual Report in accordance with Council's policy in respect to grants and benefits disclosure.*

MOTION CARRIED

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8. MCROBIES GULLY WASTE MANAGEMENT CENTRE – TRANSFER OF CROWN LAND TO COUNCIL – FILE REF: 44-10-1

RUZICKA

That the recommendation contained in the report of the Group Manager Infrastructure Planning and Director City Infrastructure of 1 March 2016, as detailed below, be adopted.

That: 1. The report be received and noted.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES	NOES
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Zucco	
Ruzicka	
Lord Mayor Hickey	

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**9. CITY OF HOBART RATING AND VALUATION STRATEGY –
FILE REF: 22-1-8**

LORD MAYOR

That the recommendation contained in the report of the Director Financial Services and the Group Manager Rates and Procurement of 29 February 2016, as detailed below, be adopted.

That: 1. The report be received and noted.

2. The City of Hobart continue with its current rating and valuation strategy.

3. The City of Hobart continue to utilise the Assessed Annual Value valuation base.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

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Lord Mayor Hickey

10. FINANCE COMMITTEE – STATUS REPORT

DEPUTY LORD MAYOR

That the information be received and noted.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

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NOES

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11. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE – FILE REF: 13-1-10

11.1 EXPENDITURE – COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

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- Question:** 1. Can the General Manager provide details of expenditure for any consultations and surveys conducted under delegated authority in the past 2 years that have cost ratepayers between \$5, 000 and up to \$10,000; and
2. Provide details of the expenditure per item and details of approval for the expenditure reliant to Council decisions?

Answer: The General Manager took the question on notice.

Supplementary item 13 was then taken.

12. CLOSED PORTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

RUZICKA

That the items be noted.

MOTION CARRIED

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SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

**MOTION OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN UNDER REGULATION 16 (5)
OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MEETING PROCEDURES) REGULATIONS
2015**

13. ELECTRIC CAR CHARGING STATION – FILE REF: 13-1-9

LORD MAYOR HICKEY *That a report be provided on:*

1. *The opportunities and cost of an expansion of the available charging stations for electric cars beyond the current provision at the Hobart Central Carpark including more prominent locations around the City.*
2. *Any learning's from other Australian and overseas cities where such charging stations have been provided.*
3. *The opportunity for partnering with State Government and or corporate entities for the installation of vehicle charging stations.*
4. *The costs associated with the recommendations made and the optimal amount (ie; 10 units?) to encourage more people considering converting to electric vehicles to take up the challenge.*
5. *The scope and overall lifetime cost for greater use of electric vehicles in the Council's own vehicle fleet.*

That the motion be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

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Item No. 13 continued

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Ruzicka	
Lord Mayor Hickey	

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14. BICYCLE HIRE AND LOAN SCHEMES – FILE REF: 13-1-9

LORD MAYOR HICKEY

- 1. That a report be prepared documenting the proposition of Council developing a rental bike service for locals and visitors, acknowledging the private operators that exist in Hobart and whether there is a greater demand than what is presently catered for by the private operators who service the City. A key objective of this investigation is to ensure that Council does not operate this service in competition with local operators and instead, serves to address any gap that may exist with the present service level in the City.*
- 2. The report should also include any learning's from international, national and local operators and local government rental bike programs, including the City of Brisbane, the City of Adelaide, the City of Melbourne and the City of Parramatta.*

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3. *The report should include recommendations and the feasibility for Council to implement a rental bike service for Hobart and what opportunities exist for Council to partner in delivering this service. The Council also look at ways to reinvigorate the Art Bike scheme.*
4. *The report further address the costs associated with the recommendations made.*

That the motion be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

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The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 6.14 pm to conduct the closed portion of the meeting.

The meeting reconvened at 6.26 pm.

Item 12 was then taken.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.26 pm.

TAKEN AS READ AND SIGNED AS A
CORRECT RECORD THIS 19TH DAY
OF APRIL 2016.

CHAIRMAN