



**COUNCIL MEETING OF
THE HUME CITY COUNCIL**

TUESDAY, 11 JUNE 2024

7.00PM

HUME GLOBAL LEARNING CENTRE CRAIGIEBURN

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HUME CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the
COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HUME CITY COUNCIL
held on Tuesday, 11 June 2024
at 7.03pm
at the Hume Global Learning Centre Craigieburn

Attendees:	a: Council	Cr Naim Kurt	Mayor
		Cr Karen Sherry	Deputy Mayor
		Cr Jarrod Bell	
		Cr Joseph Haweil	
		Cr Chris Hollow	
		Cr Jodi Jackson	
		Cr Jack Medcraft	
		Cr Carly Moore	
		Cr Jim Overend	
	b: Officers	Ms Sheena Frost	Chief Executive Officer
		Ms Rachel Dapiran	Director City Planning and Places
		Ms Kristen Cherry	Act. Director City Services & Living
		Mr Adam McSwain	Director Infrastructure and Assets
		Mr Hector Gaston	Director Customer & Strategy
		Ms Fiona Shanks	Chief People Officer
		Mr Fadi Srour	Chief Financial Officer
		Mr Joel Kimber	Act. Manager Governance
		Ms Joanne Grindrod	Senior Governance Officer

Proceedings to be Recorded

The Mayor reminded Councillors and members of the Gallery that an audio and video recording of the Council meeting will be made and published to Council's website within 2 working days of the meeting.

Gallery Behaviour

The Mayor advised that they will invite members of the gallery to speak, for up to three minutes either in support of or against an officer's recommendation.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

The Mayor read the following:

Hume City Council would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on Country for which the members and Elders of the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people and their forebears have been custodians for many thousands of years. The Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung, which includes the Gunung-Willam-Balluk clan, are the Traditional Custodians of this land. Hume City Council would also like to pay its respects to their Elders, past and present, and to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who may be here today.

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2. PRAYER

The Mayor read the following:

Tonight's prayer was to be led by Ahmed Kucukali, from the Islamic Sciences and Research Academy however they have advised they are unable to attend the meeting tonight.

Can I now ask those present to please stand if you are able to for the Prayer.

Almighty God, we humbly beseech Thee to vouchsafe Thy blessing upon this Council. Direct and prosper its deliberations to the advancement of Thy glory and the true welfare of the people of the Hume City. Amen.

3. APOLOGIES

Apologies have been received from Cr Sam Misho and Cr Trevor Dance.

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

The Mayor read the following:

Councillors' attention is drawn to the provisions of the *Local Government Act 2020* and Council's Governance Rules in relation to the disclosure of conflicts of interests. Councillors are required to disclose any conflict of interest immediately before consideration or discussion of the relevant item. Councillors are then required to leave the Chamber during discussion and not vote on the relevant item.

Nil.

5. CONGRATULATIONS AND CONDOLENCES

CNM391 CONDOLENCE MOTION – KATHLEEN MARY TREMLETT –“TREM”

Moved Cr Jack Medcraft, **Seconded** Cr Jarrod Bell

That Council acknowledges the passing of Kathleen Mary Tremlett.

CARRIED

CGM61 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION – MARIA VAMVAKINO

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Jarrod Bell

Acknowledges the work of Maria Vamvakinou, Federal Member for Calwell in the Australian Parliament and we invite her to a Council briefing to thank her for her work prior to the end of this term of Council.

CARRIED

6. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Council Meeting of 27 May 2024 and the Confidential Council Meeting of 27 May 2024, including Confidential Minutes.

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Carly Moore

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting of 27 May 2024, including Confidential Minutes, be confirmed.

CARRIED

7. SUMMARY OF COUNCIL BRIEFINGS

7.1 Summary of Council Briefing Sessions - 6 & 20 May 2024

Moved Cr Carly Moore, **Seconded** Cr Jarrod Bell

That Council notes the Summary of Matters Discussed at the Council Briefing Sessions held on Monday 6th May and Monday 20th May 2024



Summary of matters discussed at a COUNCIL BRIEFING MEETING

MEETING TITLE: COUNCIL BRIEFING SESSION

Date of Meeting: 6 May 2024

Time of Meeting: 6:30 pm

Place of Meeting: In Person and Online via Zoom

The ground or grounds for any matter discussed at this meeting which was considered to be confidential is recorded in this meeting summary.

COUNCILLORS PRESENT	
Cr Naim Kurt (Mayor)	In person
Cr Karen Sherry (Deputy Mayor)	In person
Cr Jarrod Bell	In person
Cr Trevor Dance	Online
Cr Joseph Haweil	In Person
Cr Chris Hollow	In person
Cr Jodi Jackson	Online until 9:07pm
Cr Jack Medcraft	Online
Cr Sam Misho	In person
Cr Carly Moore	Online
Cr Jim Overend	Online until 8.30pm

OFFICERS PRESENT		MATTERS DISCUSSED
Ms Sheena Frost, Chief Executive Officer	In person	

Mr Hector Gaston, Director City Services and Living	Apology	
Mr Carl Muller, Director Customer and Strategy	Apology	
Mr Adam McSwain, Director Infrastructure and Assets	In person	
Ms Rachel Dapiran, Director City Planning and Places	In person	
Mr Fadi Srour, Chief Financial Officer	In person	1.1
Ms Fiona Shanks, Chief People Officer	In person	
Ruth Robles-McColl Manager Strategic Projects & Places	In person	3.7
Sasha Lord Program Director Digital Transformation	In person	3.5
Mr Joel Kimber, Acting Manager Governance	Online	2.2, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4
Ms Astrid Hartono, Manager Infrastructure Delivery	Online	3.8
Mr Nick Varvaris Act. Manager Assets	In person	3.6

MATTERS CONSIDERED:

Order	Description	Names of Councillors who disclosed conflict of interest	Did the Councillor leave the meeting?	Confidential grounds
Items Discussed				
1.1	Budget and Capital Update			
2.1	Review Council Minutes prior to confirmation			
3.1	Summary of Council Briefing Session – 8 and 22 April 2024			
3.2	Councillor Conduct and Expense Report			
3.5	Technology One Contract Update			
3.6	Yirrangan Road to Watsons Road Connection			
3.7	Hume Central Lot E Update			

3.8	Contract No. 30 23 3459 - Construction of Kinder Expansion at Mickleham South and Kalkallo North Community Centres			
Other matters dealt with:				
Items not dealt with:				
2.1	Council Plan 2021-2025 – Update of 2024-25 Actions			
3.3	Audit and Risk Committee Charter Update			
3.4	Report to Council on Audit and Risk Committee Business Undertaken - 1 July to 31 December 2023			

Meeting Closed at: 10:05 pm

RECORDED BY:

Sheena Frost
Chief Executive Officer



Summary of matters discussed at a COUNCIL BRIEFING MEETING

MEETING TITLE: COUNCIL BRIEFING SESSION

Date of Meeting: 20 May 2024

Time of Meeting: 6:30 pm

Place of Meeting: In Person and Online via Zoom

The ground or grounds for any matter discussed at this meeting which was considered to be confidential is recorded in this meeting summary.

COUNCILLORS PRESENT	
Cr Naim Kurt (Mayor)	In person
Cr Karen Sherry (Deputy Mayor)	In person
Cr Jarrod Bell	In person
Cr Trevor Dance	Apology
Cr Joseph Haweil	Online
Cr Chris Hollow	In person
Cr Jodi Jackson	Did not attend (no notification)

Cr Jack Medcraft		In person
Cr Sam Misho		Apology
Cr Carly Moore		Online
Cr Jim Overend		In person
OFFICERS PRESENT		MATTERS DISCUSSED
Ms Sheena Frost, Chief Executive Officer	In person	
Ms Kristen Cherry Act. Director City Services and Living	In person	3.5, 3.6, 3.7
Mr Hector Gaston, Director Customer and Strategy	In person	
Mr Adam McSwain, Director Infrastructure and Assets	In person	
Ms Rachel Dapiran, Director City Planning and Places	In person	1.1
Mr Fadi Srour, Chief Financial Officer	In person	3.1, 3.3
Ms Fiona Shanks, Chief People Officer	Apology	
Mr Robert Costa Manager Finance	In person	3.3
Ms Hazel Finnie, Acting Manager City Lifestyle	In person	
Mr Joel Kimber, Acting Manager Governance	Online	2.1, 3.4
Mr Savva Giannikos, Interim Manager Active Living	Online	

MATTERS CONSIDERED:

Order	Description	Names of Councillors who disclosed conflict of interest	Did the Councillor leave the meeting?	Confidential grounds
Items Discussed				
1.1	Report back on Economic Development Service Review			
2.1	Review Council Minutes prior to confirmation			
3.1	Proposed Annual Budget 2024/25 and proposed updated Council Plan 2021-2025 (updated 2024/25)			

3.2	Council Plan 2021-2025 (2023-24 Actions) Third Quarter Progress Report			
3.3	Quarterly Finance Report - March 2024			
3.4	Audit and Risk Committee Charter Update			
3.5	Correspondence received from or sent to Government Ministers or Members of Parliament			
3.6	2024 Arts Grants - Allocations to Grant Categories			
3.7	Event Grants 2023/2024 - Round 1 Recommendations			
3.8	Quarterly Capital Works Report			
3.9	Contract No. 30 24 3490 - Derby Street - Stage 2			
Other matters dealt with:				
	Events at Anzac Park			
	Leases / Licenses			
	Frankston Mayoral letter			
	Activity Centre Roundtable			
	BDS motion			
	Citizenship			
Items not dealt with:				

Meeting Closed at: 8:40 pm

RECORDED BY:

**Sheena Frost
Chief Executive Officer**

CARRIED

8. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**PQ1171 PUBLIC QUESTION – JAMES PANTALONE**

Regarding Tree HTMS ID 68525 can council please provide the cost of engaging in contractor Ironbark Environmental Arboriculture for a Tree Risk Assessment dated 26th February 2024 and Non-Destructive Root Crown Investigation - Tree Risk Assessment dated 3rd April 2024?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE & ASSETS

This information is commercial in confidence and it would be inappropriate for Council to provide this detail regarding a single contractor.

PQ1172 PUBLIC QUESTION – JAMES PANTALONE

From Hume City Council's Tree Removal and Replacement Fees Matrix what would be the total cost to remove tree HTMS ID 68525 ?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE & ASSETS

For tree HTMS 68525, in line with Councils Tree Removal and Replacement Fees Matrix, the fee for removal and replacement of this tree would be \$3,946.78. This does not include the cost for a contractor to remove the tree. A contractor to remove the tree would likely cost in the range of an additional \$3,000-\$4,000.

PQ1173 PUBLIC QUESTION- MICHAEL RUSSO

Considering Broadmeadows Road in Tullamarine is a large, wider street that serves a number of smaller local streets. Can council engage in a Street Tree Renewal Program for Broadmeadows Rd Tullamarine and plant trees of Lagerstroemia indica 'Sioux'? A similar project was completed at Rylandes Dr Gladstone Park and hoping we can get the same here.

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR CITY INFRASTRUCTURE

Council is attempting to increase canopy cover within Hume as per the Urban Forest Principles (2020) and the current Council Plan. To achieve this, Councils aim is to plant larger trees where possible.

Given the nature strip area of Broadmeadows Road is over 4 meters wide in some sections Council are reluctant to plant small trees at locations such as these. Lagerstroemia indica is a small tree and will not provide the canopy cover desired for this location.

The species that has been selected for these locations are Corymbia citriodora (Lemon Scented Gum) - where there are no overhead power lines and Eucalyptus torquata (Coral Gum) - where there are overhead power lines

The procurement of the tree stock for this location has already been completed.

PQ1174 PUBLIC QUESTION - MICHAEL RUSSO

Can council please advise why Melrose Drive shopping strip upgrade was not added to the 24/25 budget? Residences were asked to participate but in the end lead to nothing.

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR CITY PLANNING AND PLACES

In 2023, Council delivered beautification works by installing fairy lights to enhance the night time ambience of the Melrose Drive shopping strip, supporting local businesses after dark.

Although there are no immediate plans for a significant upgrade of the Melrose Drive Shopping Strip, it remains on the program for future Activity Centre upgrades throughout Hume. Officers are preparing an assessment framework and action plan for Humes established areas shopping strips, including Melrose Drive. The overall assessment will be used to inform future programs of work, both capital improvements and community development focused place activations for the area.

PQ1175 PUBLIC QUESTION - BURHAN YIGIT

With ANZAC Day recently commemorated, my question is, does Hume Council still support the completion of a Turkish Australian Friendship Memorial in Broadmeadows Town Park as was approved in the ANZAC Centenary Working Group? \$10,000 had been previously allocated, and the exact wording on the Hume website stated, "Support for a community-led fundraising project to install a memorial in the Broadmeadows Town Park with the words of Ataturk;"?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR CITY PLANNING AND PLACES

Thank you for your question. Officers will need to take this on notice and will respond to your question at a future Council meeting.

PQ1176 PUBLIC QUESTION - BURHAN YIGIT

When will the Governance Rules be changed so that Councillors will be required to attend Council meetings in person?

RESPONSE: CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Thank you for your question.

Any changes to Council's Governance Rules would be subject to a decision of Council. There is currently a community engagement process underway on proposed changes to the Governance Rules under section 72 which will be presented back to Council in the coming months.

However, Council's Governance Rules do not need to be changed for Councillors to be required to attend Council meetings in person.

As per section 78.4 of Council's Governance Rules, "*Council may resolve to make certain meetings in person only.*"

Therefore, a decision from Council would be required to enact this provision.

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9. OFFICERS' REPORTS

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9.1	Draft Aitken Creek Master Plan	11

Moved Cr Jodi Jackson, **Seconded** Cr Carly Moore

- 2.1 **That the draft Aitken Creek Master Plan be approved for consultation with the community.**

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
9.2	2024 Community Grant Project Round 2 Outcomes & Year-Round Grants Update	43

Moved Cr Chris Hollow, **Seconded** Cr Karen Sherry

That Council:

- 2.1 **Endorses the allocation of \$8,000 to the successful 2024 Community Project Grants Round Two applicants as listed in Attachment One, Table One.**
- 2.2 **Notes that \$21,417 has been awarded under delegation in the Year-Round categories of the Community Grants program from 1 July 2023 - 30 March 2024, as listed in Attachment One, Table Two.**
- 2.3 **Endorses the reallocation of \$12,000 in unused funds from Project Round Two into the Year-Round grants categories.**

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
9.3	Response to Petition PJL307 regarding establishment of LGBTIQA+ Advisory Committee	49

The Chief Executive Officer read public comments submitted by Dean Cockburn, David Wild and Raquel Birch.

Councillor Joseph Haweil left the meeting during the reading of public comments on Item 9.3 *Response to Petition PJL307 regarding establishment of LGBTIQA+ Advisory Committee*, the time being 7:33pm.

Susan Lodge and Jeremy Hearne read their public comments to the gallery.

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Jack Medcraft

Councillor Joseph Haweil returned to the meeting during discussion on Item 9.3 *Response to Petition PJL307 regarding establishment of LGBTIQA+ Advisory Committee*, the time being 7:46 pm.

That Council:

- 2.1 **Notes the community support for establishing an LGBTIQA+ specific group in Hume.**
- 2.2 **Endorses the establishment of an LGBTIQA+ Community Working Group.**
- 2.3 **Receives a 12-month progress and activity report, outlining key milestones, learnings, proposed Terms of Reference, and future direction for the group by the end of 2025.**

CARRIED

A division was requested: The result of the division was as follows:

For	Against
Cr Jarrod Bell	
Cr Joseph Haweil	
Cr Chris Hollow	
Cr Jodi Jackson	
Cr Naim Kurt	
Cr Jack Medcraft	
Cr Carly Moore	
Cr Jim Overend	
Cr Karen Sherry	

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9.4	Street and Reserve Tree Policy	53

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Jack Medcraft

- 2.1 **That Council:**
 - 2.1.1 **Notes the draft Tree Management Policy**
 - 2.1.2 **Authorises the draft Tree Management Policy to be advertised for Community Consultation via the Participate Hume platform.**

CARRIED

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
10.1	NOM24/19 - Cr Naim Kurt	67

The Mayor vacated the chair at 8:04pm.

The Deputy Mayor took over the chair at 8:04pm

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, **Seconded** Cr Joseph Haweil

That Council notes the success of local Carols by Candlelight events that are held across the City each year.

Directs officers to explore options for hosting or funding a small-scale Carols by Candlelight events including engagement

and opportunities with local schools and emergency services, and provide a briefing report back to Council on the findings.

CARRIED

The Deputy Mayor vacated the chair at 8:11pm.

The Mayor took over the chair at 8:11pm

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
10.2	<p>NOM24/26 - Cr Joseph Haweil</p> <p>Councillor Karen Sherry left the meeting prior to discussion on Item 10.2 <i>NOM24/26 - Cr Joseph Haweil</i>, the time being 8:12pm.</p> <p>Moved Cr Joseph Haweil, Seconded Cr Jack Medcraft</p> <p>Councillor Karen Sherry returned to the meeting during discussion on Item 10.2 <i>NOM24/26 - Cr Joseph Haweil</i>, the time being 8:15 pm.</p> <p>Councillor Chris Hollow left the meeting during discussion on Item 10.2 <i>NOM24/26 - Cr Joseph Haweil</i>, the time being 8:15 pm.</p> <p>Councillor Chris Hollow returned to the meeting during discussion on Item 10.2 <i>NOM24/26 - Cr Joseph Haweil</i>, the time being 8:17 pm.</p> <p>That Council writes to The Hon Melissa Horne MP, Minister for Roads and Road Safety seeking advice from VicRoads on the status of maintenance of the historical cairn erected in 1924 at Oaklands Road, Bulla commemorating explorers Hume and Hovell, while noting that 2024 marks the 200th anniversary of their expedition and resident advocacy for the restoration of the monument which is in a state of disrepair.</p>	69

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
10.3	<p>NOM24/27 - Cr Carly Moore</p> <p>Moved Cr Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Joseph Haweil</p> <p>That Council directs officers to develop a framework to guide the consistent development and renewal of lease and license agreements for use of Hume sporting grounds, facilities and assets. The framework is to consider the community benefit and levels of community accessibility derived from agreements, equitable contributions toward the recoupment of maintenance and renewal investment and the equity of fees to be charged at differing facility types.</p>	71

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
10.4	<p>NOM24/28 - Cr Jim Overend</p> <p>Moved Cr Jim Overend, Seconded Cr Jarrod Bell</p>	73

Councillor Jarrod Bell left the meeting during discussion on Item 10.4 *NOM24/28 – Cr Jim Overend*, the time being 8:35pm.

Councillor Jarrod Bell returned to the meeting during discussion on Item 10.4 *NOM24/28 – Cr Jim Overend*, the time being 8:35pm.

1. RECOMMENDATION:

That Council

1. Complete a forum inviting Real Estate Agents across Hume to discuss waste services and those that are available to both ratepayers and tenants. This forum will aim to increase awareness of the services that Council have available and support Real Estate Agents to provide this information to tenants to help reduce dumped rubbish.

2. Support this forum through the continued implementation of the Keep Hume Clean campaign and the provision of additional waste information to real estate agents and new home owners across Hume.

CARRIED

11. ITEMS TO BE TABLED

NIL

12. URGENT BUSINESS

NIL

13. DELEGATES REPORTS

Cr Joseph Haweil, Cr Jarrod Bell and Cr Naim Kurt reported on their attendance between 29 and 31 May representing Council at the 2024 National Congress of the National Growth Areas Alliance in Penrith, New South Wales.

Councillor Carly Moore left the meeting, the time being 8:41 pm.

Councillor Carly Moore returned to the meeting, the time being 8:45 pm.

14. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

The Meeting may be closed to members of the public to consider confidential items.

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Chris Hollow

THAT Council close the meeting to the public pursuant to section 66(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020* to consider the following items:

14.1 Request for Financial Incentive - Sunny Queen

Item 14.1 is confidential in accordance with Section 3(1)(e) of the Local Government Act 2020 because it is legal privileged information, being information to which legal professional privilege or client legal privilege applies.

The specified grounds apply as the report contains information relating to a proposed new development.

14.2 Contract No. 30 17 2698 – Recyclables Kerbside Collection Service: Variation

Item 14.2 is confidential in accordance with Section 3(1)(g(ii)) of the Local Government Act 2020 because it is private commercial information, being information provided by a business, commercial or financial undertaking that if released, would unreasonably expose the business, commercial or financial undertaking to disadvantage.

The specified grounds apply because this report contains contractual matters.

14.3 Contract No. 30 23 3493 - Geach Street, Dallas - Road Reconstruction

Item 14.3 is confidential in accordance with Section 3(1)(g(ii)) of the Local Government Act 2020 because it is private commercial information, being information provided by a business, commercial or financial undertaking that if released, would unreasonably expose the business, commercial or financial undertaking to disadvantage.

The specified grounds apply because this report contains contractual matters.

14.4 Contract No. 30 24 3523 - Leo Dineen Reserve Pavilion (Fitout)

Item 14.4 is confidential in accordance with Section 3(1)(g(ii)) of the Local Government Act 2020 because it is private commercial information, being information provided by a business, commercial or financial undertaking that if released, would unreasonably expose the business, commercial or financial undertaking to disadvantage.

The specified grounds apply because this report contains contractual matters.

14.5 Contract No. 30 24 3561 - Energy Efficient Street Lighting Hardware and Installation Services (MAV Contract SL3911-2022)

Item 14.5 is confidential in accordance with Section 3(1)(g(ii)) of the Local Government Act 2020 because it is private commercial information, being information provided by a business, commercial or financial undertaking that if released, would unreasonably expose the business, commercial or financial undertaking to disadvantage.

The specified grounds apply because the report contains contractual matters.

CARRIED

The meeting was closed to the public at 8:58 pm

15. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 9:03pm.