

# South Metropolitan Zone

**Minutes** 

29 April 2019

## South Metropolitan Zone

Hosted by the City of Melville 10 Almondbury Road, Booragoon Monday 29 April 2019 commenced at 5:30 pm

### **Minutes**

MEMBERS 3 Voting Delegates from each Member Council

City of Cockburn Mayor Logan Howlett JP

Cr Lee-Anne Smith

Mr Stephen Cain, Chief Executive Officer - non-voting delegate

Town of East Fremantle Cr Cliff Collinson

Cr Tony Natale

Mr Gary Tuffin, Chief Executive Officer – non-voting delegate

City of Fremantle Cr Doug Thompson

Cr Sam Wainwright

Mayor Brad Pettitt (Observer)

Mr Philip St John, Chief Executive Officer - non-voting delegate

City of Kwinana Mayor Carol Adams

Cr Sandra Lee Cr Sheila Mills

Ms Joanne Abbiss, Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate

City of Melville Cr Tim Barling

Cr Duncan McPhail Cr Nicole Robins

Mr Marten Tieleman, Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate

Cr Deb Hamblin

Mr Michael Parker, Chief Executive Officer - non-voting delegate

South West Group Mr Tom Griffiths, Director

WALGA Secretariat Mr Nick Sloan, WALGA Chief Executive Officer

Mr Tony Brown, Executive Manager, Governance & Organisational

Services

Mr Ashley Robb, Project Officer, Planning

Guest Speaker Moss Wilson, Senior Heritage Officer, Department Planning, Lands and

Heritage

**APOLOGIES** 

City of Cockburn Cr Carol Reeve-Fowkes

City of Rockingham Cr Mark Jones

Town of East Fremantle Cr Michael McPhail

City of Fremantle Cr Jon Strachan

DLGSC Representative Jodie Holbrook, Director Local Government Policy & Engagement

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

Agenda Papers were emailed 7 days prior to the meeting date.

<u>Confirmation of Attendance</u> An attendance sheet was circulated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

#### ATTACHMENTS WITHIN THE AGENDA

- 1. Draft Minutes of previous meeting
- 2. Zone Status Report
- 3. President's Report (emailed prior to the meeting)
- 4. Standing Orders
- 5. WALGA Zone Update, Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries

#### 1. **DEPUTATIONS**

#### 1.1 Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage

Mr Moss Wilson, Senior Heritage Officer from the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage presented to the Zone on matters regarding changes to the Heritage Act.

#### 2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#### RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett

Seconded: Cr Sheila Mills

That the Minutes of the meeting of the South Metropolitan Zone held on 18 March 2019 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

**CARRIED** 

#### 3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Pursuant to our Code of Conduct, Councillors 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.

#### 4. BUSINESS ARISING

4.1

Nil

#### 4.2 Status Report

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

Noted

#### 5. STATE COUNCIL AGENDA - MATTERS FOR DECISION

#### **RESOLUTION**

That the South Metropolitan Zone endorse all May 2019 State Council recommendations except items 5.2, 6.1 and 7.1.

All other items were carried en bloc.

Moved: Mayor Carol Adams Seconded: Cr Sandra Lee

**CARRIED** 

The following items were excised for further comments.

## Item 5.2 'Preferred Model' for Third Party Appeal Rights for Decisions Made by Development Assessment Panels

Whilst it is acknowledged that this is a complex and controversial subject that the Association is trying to navigate, the resultant Position Statement does not present as either a complete or convincing argument for change. With a view to providing for the greatest opportunity for success of the Position Statement, it is recommended that the item be deferred for reconsideration by WALGA officers to provide an evidence base to support the need for change and an analysis of the implications in terms of cost, resources and timeframes by utilising the experience of the States where third party appeals exist and applying that to the system proposed. At present the Position Statement does not provide a compelling case to the State government, or the representative groups of the development industry likely to lobby against it, sufficient to warrant a change to legislation.

#### RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Carol Adams Seconded: Cr Sandra Lee

That the Position Statement be referred back to WALGA officers to provide an evidence case to support the need for change, the expected benefits, and an analysis of the implications of change in terms of cost, resource and timeframes by utilising the experience of other States where third party appeals exist and applying that to the system proposed.

**CARRIED** 

#### Item 6.1 Report Municipal Waste Advisory Council (MWAC)

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mayor Carol Adams Seconded: Cr Sheila Mills

That State Council note the resolutions of the Municipal Waste Advisory Council at its 27 February 2019 meeting.

**CARRIED** 

#### Item 7.1 Report Municipal Waste Advisory Council (MWAC)

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mayor Carol Adams Seconded: Cr Sheila Mills

That the report from the Environment Unit to the May 2019 State Council meeting be noted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 6. BUSINESS

## 6.1 Request for information on Mayors for Peace to be presented at WALGA Annual conference

Cr Doug Thompson, City of Fremantle

The purposes of the "Mayors for Peace" are to contribute to the attainment of lasting world peace by arousing concern among citizens of the world for the total abolition of nuclear weapons through close solidarity among member cities as well as by striving to solve vital problems for the human race such as starvation and poverty, the plight of refugees, human rights abuses, and environmental degradation. The Association has a membership of 7,744 cities throughout the world with 89 cities in Australia signed up as members.

The purpose of this recommendation is to raise the profile of Mayors for Peace in Western Australia and provide an opportunity for WALGA delegates to gain information on the work of Mayors for Peace.

The Zone is requesting WALGA to provide an opportunity to highlight the work of Mayors for Peace at the WALGA State Conference by inviting Professor Tilman Alfred Ruff AM to present to the conference and for WALGA to consider other ways in which it can support the work of Mayors for Peace.

Professor Tilman Alfred Ruff AM (born 1955) is an Australian public health and infectious diseases physician who has focused his efforts on immunization and "the global health imperative to eradicate nuclear weapons." Ruff is an associate professor at the Nossal Institute for Global Health, University of Melbourne. He is also on the Australian Board of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN), the 2017 Nobel Peace Laureate and has written extensively on nuclear issues, including the hazards or ionizing radiation, nuclear weapons, nuclear war and nuclear famine. He serves as medical advisor to the international department of Australian Red Cross and is a member of the World Health Organization Western Pacific Region's Hepatitis B Expert Resource Panel. Ruff has been an active member of the Medical Association for Prevention of War in Australia for over three decades and is a co-president of International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War(IPPNW). He helped establish the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) and was its

founding chair. He remains a member of the ICAN Australia Committee and ICAN's International Steering Group.

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett Seconded: Mayor Carol Adams

- a) WALGA consider inviting Tilman Ruff to present to interested delegates for the August WALGA conference on the work of Mayors for Peace.
- b) State Council report back to the Zone on other ways in which WALGA can assist in highlighting the work of Mayors for Peace.

**CARRIED** 

#### 6.2 Request to Present – Local Government Insurance Services WA

LGIS have requested an opportunity to present to Local Governments that may be interested in learning more about LGIS and your self-insurance scheme.

LGISWA developed a number of presentations which may be of interest to Zone delegates and Chief Executive Officers. If, however, there is interest on another topic please advise and LGISWA can tailor a presentation to the Zone's needs.

#### **Presentations**

#### Your LGIS, what ownership delivers

What is a mutual and how is it different to traditional transactional insurance providers? This presentation will include the history of LGIS, organisation structure, relationship with WALGA and provide examples of service delivery – highlighting the benefits of membership.

#### • Know your risks - identifying and managing local government risks

The risks faced by Local Governments across WA continue to change. In this presentation LGIS risk experts will outline the strategies which can be used by Local Governments to strategically identify and manage risks. They'll also talk about the experiences of other WA Local Government members in identifying and managing their risks.

#### The human factor – emerging risks for 2019 and beyond

People are a crucial success factor for Local Government organisations they're the human face of Local Government services. In this presentation LGIS human risk experts will discuss the emerging trends in managing people from the diverse needs of an aging workforce to increases in workplace stress. They'll use real examples from WA Local Governments to explore potential strategies in managing and reducing human risks.

#### • Elected members - managing risks and protection

Elected members are passionate about improving their community, going above and beyond in their service. However, as part of their role elected members also carry significant risks which they need to be aware of. In this presentation an LGIS Local Government risk expert will cover the risks which elected members must be aware of and manage, and the services and cover included in LGIS membership. They'll use real examples from WA Local Governments to explore strategies in managing and reducing elected member risks.

#### Local government first – a claims strategy that benefits LGIS members

How does LGIS handle claims differently? When LGIS receives a claim we consider the best interest of the member and the broader Local Government sector. This presentation outlines the LGIS claims strategy which plans for long term, sustainable protection of the WA Local

Government sector. We'll look at a variety of WA Local Government claims and explore the lessons learned.

#### RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Sheila Mills Seconded: Cr Tim Barling

That the Zone invites a representative from the Local Government Insurance Services WA to provide a presentation to the 24 June 2019 Zone meeting on the topic of "Elected members – managing risks and protection" as listed above.

**CARRIED** 

#### 7. OTHER BUSINESS

#### 7.1 Container Deposit Scheme (CDS) – Pending Coordinator Announcement

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Tim Barling Seconded: Cr Cliff Collinson

- 1. The South Metropolitan Zone requests WALGA to express concern to the State Government should the beverage industry have involvement or be appointed CDS coordinator and its capacity to maximise benefits to the community and the environment.
- 2. That the South Metropolitan Zone request WALGA to advocate for the coordinator to be carried out by the recycling industry.

**CARRIED** 

#### 8. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

#### 8.1 WALGA President's Report

Mr Nick Sloan, WALGA Chief Executive Officer, presented the President's Report.

#### **Noted**

#### 8.2 State Councillor's report to the Zone

WALGA State Councillor, Cr Doug Thompson presented on the previous State Council meeting.

#### March 2019 State Council Meeting – Minister for Local Government

The Minister for Local Government, Hon David Templeman MLA, addressed State Council at the commencement of the meeting.

The Minister spoke about Stages one and two of the Review of the Local Government Act including the submissions received in relation to Stage two. The submissions received by the Department have addressed a range of topics and themes including:

- Communication;
- Roles and responsibilities;

- Relationships between Elected Members and the Chief Executive Officer and staff; and.
- The Department and its role.

The Minister also spoke about the importance of the relationship between the State and Local Government sector and continuing to work together.

#### March 2019 State Council Meeting – Key Issues

Local Government Act Review

State Council endorsed WALGA's submission to the Local Government Act Review, which included a number of policy positions and incorporated significant input from forums with Local Governments and Zones, written Local Government submissions, and Zone decisions prior to the State Council meeting.

**Economic Development Project** 

Two key pieces of work relating to the Economic Development Project were endorsed by State Council:

- Local Government Economic Development: Research Findings and Future Directions Discussion Paper; and,
- 2. Local Government Economic Development Framework.

The Discussion Paper and the Framework will be launched on 7 May 2019.

#### **Noted**

#### 8.3 Department of Local Government and Communities Representative Update Report.

The Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) representative was an apology for the meeting.

DLGSC Report is provided as an attachment to the minutes.

#### **Noted**

#### 10. SOUTH WEST GROUP REPORT

Mr Tom Griffiths provided an update on the following matters:

- Government Advocacy
- Regional capability promotional document
- SWG delegation to smart cities Expo

#### 11. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the South Metropolitan Zone will be held Monday 24 June 2019 at the City of Rockingham commencing at 5.30 pm.

#### 12. CLOSURE

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 6:51pm

