
Shire of Kalamunda

General Services Committee

Minutes for 1 May 2006



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1 May 2006

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Minutes of General Services Committee
held in the Council Chambers,
2 Railway Road, Kalamunda
Monday, 1 May 2006

1.0 OFFICIAL OPENING

- 1.1 The Chairman opened the Meeting at 7pm and welcomed Councillors staff and members of the public gallery.

2.0 APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

2.1 **PRESENT**

Councillors

N Sadler	(DEPUTY PRESIDENT) (PRESIDING MEMBER)	SOUTH WEST WARD
J Winterhalder		EAST WARD
E Taylor	(SHIRE PRESIDENT)	NORTH WARD
D McKechnie		NORTH WARD
S Blair		NORTH WARD
D Sadler		SOUTH WEST WARD
A Morton		SOUTH WEST WARD
S Bilich		SOUTH WARD
M Casey		NORTH WEST WARD

Officials

D Vaughan	CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
B Millan	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
S Burrows	EXECUTIVE MANAGER PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
G Parslow	EXECUTIVE MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES
K O'Connor	EXECUTIVE MANAGER COMMUNITY SERVICES
M Singh	EXECUTIVE MANAGER ENGINEERING SERVICES
D Elkins	MANAGER ENGINEERING SERVICES
J Smith	MANAGER HEALTH SERVICES
R Briede	MANAGER LIBRARY SERVICES
N Townsend	MINUTE SECRETARY

Apologies

J Giardina

M Cresswell (Leave of Absence)

P Tonkin

SOUTH WARD

NORTH WEST WARD

SOUTH WARD

Observers (Members of the Public)

2

Newspapers

Echo Newspaper

3.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A period of not less than 15 minutes is provided to allow questions from the gallery on matters relating to the functions of this Committee. For the purposes of Minuting, these questions and answers are summarised.

3.1 **Mr Steve Pryce, Anne Avenue, Kalamunda re: Warlingham Drive.**

Mr Price requested information relating to approval to construct a shed on Lot 701 which is his adjoining neighbour, and who approval had been given for construction of the shed one metre from the boundary with a zincalume rather than color bond roof. Mr Price advised he had contacted Councillors and staff and had not received a satisfactory answer and would be writing to the Chief Executive Officer.

Cr Sadler explained this was a Planning issue and she was not able to answer his question, and suggested Mr Price should attend the Planning Committee Meeting next Monday, 8 May.

The Chief Executive Officer advised he had noted the question and would discuss the issue with staff and make contact with Mr Price.

4.0 PETITIONS

4.1 Nil

5.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

5.1 That the minutes of the General Services Committee Meeting held the 3 April 2006 are confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Moved (Cr Casey)

Seconded (Cr Taylor)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PERSON PRESIDING WITHOUT DISCUSSION

6.1 Nil

7.0 MATTERS FOR WHICH MEETING MAY BE CLOSED

7.1 Nil

8.0 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Disclosure of Financial and Proximity Interests

- (a) Members must disclose the nature of their interest in matters to be discussed at the meeting. (Sections 5.60B and 5.65 of the Local Government Act 1995)
- (b) Employees must disclose the nature of their interest in reports or advice when giving the report or advice to the meeting. (Sections 5.70 and 5.71 of the Local Government Act 1995).

Nil

Disclosure of Interest Affecting Impartiality

- (a) Members and staff must disclose their interest in matters to be discussed at the meeting in respect of which the member or employee has given or will give advice.

9.0 REPORT TO COUNCIL

Please Note:

Strategic and Policy related items are bolded and will be dealt with as the first items of business.

Declaration of financial/conflict of interests to be recorded prior to dealing with each item

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REPORTS

43. Summary of Council and Committee Meetings and Important Dates and Events 2006/2007
(OR-MTG-006) (Corporate Services)

Purpose of Report

1. To endorse the schedule of meetings and important dates for the period June 2006 to May 2007.

Background

2. Council has previously agreed the Schedule of Ordinary Meeting be as follows:
- First Monday of the Month - General Services Committee 7:00pm
 - Second Monday of the Month - Planning Services Committee 7:00pm
 - Third Monday of the Month - Ordinary Council Meeting 7:00pm
3. It is a requirement of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 (Regulation 12) that local public notice be given annually of Council and Committee meeting times, dates and places for the next 12 months.
4. Current Council policy determines that scheduled meeting dates that fall on a public holiday will move to the next available day.

Comments

5. Accordingly, following is the schedule of Council and Committee meetings and important dates and events for the period June 2006 to July 2007.

June		
2006		
Monday	5	Public Holiday (Foundation Day)
Tuesday	6	General Services Committee
Monday	12.....	Planning Services Committee
Monday	19.....	Ordinary Council Meeting
Wednesday	28.....	Citizenship Ceremony
July		
Monday	3	General Services Committee
Monday	10.....	Planning Services Committee
Monday	17.....	Ordinary Council Meeting
Wednesday	26.....	Citizenship Ceremony
August		
Monday	7	General Services Committee
Monday	14.....	Planning Services Committee
Monday	21.....	Ordinary Council Meeting
Wednesday	30.....	Citizenship Ceremony
September		
Monday	4	General Services Committee
Monday	11.....	Planning Services Committee

Monday	18.....	Ordinary Council Meeting
Wednesday	27.....	Citizenship Ceremony
October		
Monday	2	Public Holiday (Queen's Birthday)
Tuesday	3	General Services Committee
Monday	9	Planning Services Committee
Monday	16.....	Ordinary Council Meeting
Wednesday	25.....	Citizenship Ceremony
November		
Monday	6	General Services Committee
Monday	13.....	Planning Services Committee
Monday	20.....	Ordinary Council Meeting
Wednesday	29.....	Citizenship Ceremony
December		
Monday	4	General Services Committee
Monday	11.....	Planning Services Committee
Monday	18.....	Ordinary Council Meeting
Monday	25.....	Public Holiday (Christmas Day)
Tuesday	26.....	Public Holiday (Boxing Day)
January 2007		
Monday	1	Public Holiday (New Years Day)
Friday	26.....	Australia Day (Citizenship Ceremony)
February		
Monday	5	General Services Committee
Monday	12.....	Planning Services Committee
Monday	19.....	Ordinary Council Meeting
Wednesday	28.....	Citizenship Ceremony
March		
Monday	5	Public Holiday (Labour Day)
Tuesday	6	General Services Committee
Monday	12.....	Planning Services Committee
Monday	19.....	Ordinary Council Meeting
Wednesday	28.....	Citizenship Ceremony
April		
Monday	2	General Services Committee
Friday	6	Public Holiday (Good Friday)
Monday	9	Public Holiday (Easter Monday)
Tuesday	10.....	Planning Services Committee
Monday	16.....	Ordinary Council Meeting
Wednesday	18.....	Citizenship Ceremony
Wednesday	25.....	Public Holiday (ANZAC Day)
May		
Monday	7	General Services Committee
Monday	14.....	Planning Services Committee
Monday	21.....	Ordinary Council Meeting
Wednesday	30.....	Citizenship Ceremony

6. It is noted that the above dates in relation to Citizenship Ceremonies are scheduled dates only. Actual Citizenship Ceremonies will be held as and when needed.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**GS 43/2006**

1. That the Schedule of Council/Committee meetings and important dates and events for 2006/2007 as detailed below be endorsed.

June	2006	
Monday	5	Public Holiday (Foundation Day)
Tuesday	6	General Services Committee
Monday	12.....	Planning Services Committee
Monday	19.....	Ordinary Council Meeting
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Wednesday	30.....	Citizenship Ceremony

Moved: (Cr Taylor)

Seconded: (Cr Bilich)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

44. Creditors Accounts Paid - April 2006
(FI-CRS-002) (Corporate Services)

Purpose of Report

1. To receive creditors' accounts paid for the month of April 2006.

Background

2. It is a requirement of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 (Regulation 12) that a list of Creditors' Accounts Paid be compiled each month.
3. This list is required to show the payee's name, amount of payment, provided sufficient information to identify the transaction and the date of the meeting of Council to which it is to be presented.

Comments

4. Accordingly, the list of Creditors' paid from 6 April 2006 to 24 April 2006 is ([Attachment 1](#)).
5. **Cr N Sadler drew Councillors attention to the fact that cheque number 52859 related to the Foothills Fun Day.**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

GS 44/2006

1. That the list of Creditors' Paid from 6 April 2006 to 24 April 2006 as per ([Attachment 1](#)) be received by Council in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 12 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.

Moved: (Cr Casey)

Seconded: (Cr Taylor)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

45. Financial Statements for the Month Ending 31 March 2006
(FI-SRR-006) (Corporate Services)

Purpose of Report

1. To receive financial statements and operating statements.

Background

2. Attached ([Attachment 1](#)) is the summary of the financial statements for the period ending 31 March 2006. In accordance with Section 34 (1)(e) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 a statement showing net assets is included.
3. Additionally, in accordance with the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, an operating statement ([Attachment 2](#)) is included for the same period.

Comments

4. Nil.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

GS 45/2006

1. That financial statements and the accompanying operating statement for the period 31 March 2006 be received.

Moved: (Cr D Sadler)

Seconded: (Cr Winterhalder)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

46. Light Vehicle Changeover 2005/2006 - Phase II (Corporate Services)

Purpose of Report

1. To approve the purchase of three (3) light vehicles scheduled for replacement in accordance with Council Policy CS1.22.

Background

2. An amount of \$117,000 net was provided in the 2005/2006 budget to replace light vehicles in accordance to Council Policy. With the supply of three (3) light vehicles under Phase I of the programme (Refer GS 118/2005 19 December 2005) there remains a balance of \$74,700 complete the programme.
3. Trade in prices for the three (3) light vehicles for phase II were sought from 9 metropolitan motor vehicles dealers. The new vehicle prices were obtained from the Department of Finance & Treasury under the State Government vehicle Contract. Council received 8 submissions.
4. As part of the submission all motor vehicle dealers were asked to quote (if applicable) on a gas fuel option (gas only or gas/petrol) on new vehicles being supplied.

Comments

5. The outcome of the quotations received for the trade-in's and outright purchase of the new vehicle are attached ([Attachment 1](#)).
6. For analysis of the submissions the following details are noted:
 - i. **Specification C - KM 2017 (Manager Planning Services)** – There were four submissions for the replacement of the current vehicle. Although the lowest submission is for the supply of a Hyundai Sonata, taking into consideration the past resale value of this make of vehicles, the **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION** is for the supply of another Toyota Camry. The recommended dealer is able to supply this replacement vehicle meeting all Council specifications.
 - ii. **Specification D - KM 15544 (Manager Library Services)** – Six submissions were received for the replacement of the current Mitsubishi Magna station wagon. This model is no longer available. The vehicle is used for the day to day transportation of books (in crates) by staff and volunteers between the four Shire libraries' and the Administration building. Dealers were required to submit vehicles for demonstration at the time of tendering to ensure that the current quantity of crates (currently 18) are able to be transported in the vehicle with ease, including the transportation of a trolley and the inclusion of a cargo barrier. The Mitsubishi Lancer demonstrated is a smaller vehicle was unable to carry the same load capacity (estimated at 8 crates) as the trade-in vehicle. Both the Holden and Ford models demonstrated are able to carry the same total load capacity with ease. LPG models of the Holden and Ford models were also tendered but due to the positioning of the LPG tank within the cargo area the vehicles are unsuitable. It is noted that previous Library vehicles had been of a forward control van configuration. If this option was preferred, and assuming a similar trade-in value, a net cost of \$16,000-\$18,000 could be expected for this type of vehicle.

- iii. **Specification I - KM 36190 (Parks – Reticulation)** Two submissions were received for the replacement of this vehicle. The proposed dealer is able to supply this replacement vehicle meeting all of the Council specifications.
7. A fourth vehicle endorsed for purchase in GS 118/2005 – 19 December 2005 was unable to be supplied. Provision for acquisition of this vehicle (Engineering utility) will need to be made in the future, however, in the short term a vehicle can be reallocated from the Depot fleet. It is proposed to carry over the funds required to purchase this vehicle (\$25,150) from the 2005/2006 Budget allocation to the Plant & Equipment Reserve Account.
8. It is proposed that the following light vehicles be purchased in accordance with Council Policy:

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Vehicle</u>	<u>Registration</u>	<u>Net Change Over \$</u>
Kalamunda Toyota	Camry Sedan	KM 2017	\$10,662.68
Titan Ford	BF Falcon XT Wagon	KM 15544	\$18,412.05
Gibbons Holden	Rodeo Spce Cab LX	KM 36190	\$14,035.91
<u>Total Net Change Over</u>			<u>\$43,110.64</u>

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL **GS 46/2006**

1. That Council agrees to purchase three (3) light vehicles to complete the 2005/2006 light vehicle replacement programme in accordance with the following:

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Vehicle</u>	<u>Registration</u>	<u>Net Change Over \$</u>
Kalamunda Toyota	Toyota Camry	KM 2017	\$10,662.68
Titan Ford	BF Falcon XT Wagon	KM 15544	\$18,412.05
Gibbons Holden	Rodeo Spce Cab LX	KM 36190	\$14,035.91
<u>Total Net Change Over</u>			<u>\$43,110.64</u>

That no tender be accepted for the vehicle Rodeo LX Crew Cab (new vehicle) and that the amount of \$25,150 be transferred to the Plant and Equipment Reserve account.

Moved: (Cr Taylor)

Seconded: (Cr D Sadler)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Absolute Majority

47. Planning For The Future Of The District (OR-ELM-007) (Corporate Services)

Purpose of Report

1. For Council to adopt the Plan for the Future of the District 2006-2011.

Background

2. Council endorsed the proposal for the compilation of the Plan for the Future of the District, including a proposed time frame, in September 2005. (Refer GS 86/2005 – OCM 19 September 2005)
3. The proposal included a number of meetings with staff and full day planning workshop for councillors and executive staff which was held on Saturday 26 November 2005.
4. The resulting draft of the Plan for the Future of the District was distributed to councillors on 22 December 2005 with advice that the draft plan would be represented to February 2006 meeting round and a community consultation strategy addressed at that stage.
5. In February 2006 Council endorsed the Draft Plan as presented and the community consultation strategy as outlined in the report. (Refer GS 7/2006) – OCM 20 February 2006)

Comments

6. As a consequence two (2) community forums were held in Forrestfield and Kalamunda on 28 March and 29 March 2006 respectively. A total of 72 members of the community attended.
7. A range of comments were made on the Draft Plan. These are summarised on ([Attachment 1](#)). Subsequent to the forums some members of the public submitted comments directly to staff. These have also been summarised in ([Attachment 1](#)).
8. Arising from comments received the following amendments have been made to the Draft Plan:

Reference	Previous Wording	Changed Wording
SOCIAL Key Challenges Page 4	Services for people with disabilities and special needs.	Services and amenities for people with disabilities and special needs.
SOCIAL New Initiatives Page 6	1.1 Identify priorities, source funding and progressively implement the Recreation Plan, including: a) Development of sporting reserves. b) Ray Owen Sports Centre	1.1 Identify priorities, source funding and progressively implement the Recreation Plan, including: a) Development of sporting reserves. b) Passive recreation,

	<p>extensions.</p> <p>c) Kostera Oval development.</p> <p>d) Passive recreation, including walking trails.</p>	including walking trails.
	1.6a) Youth programs and services.	1.6a) Youth programs, services and facilities.
	1.11 Work with State Government to achieve improvements to transport services.	1.11 Work with State Government to achieve improvements to public transport services.
<p>NATURAL & BUILT ENVIRONMENT</p> <p>Key Challenges Page 7</p> <p>Outcomes Page 7</p> <p>New Initiatives Page 9</p>	<i>New item</i>	Encouraging community awareness of the natural environment.
	Recognition of the Shire of Kalamunda as environmentally sensitive	Recognition of the Shire of Kalamunda as environmentally focused.
	2.1 <i>New item</i>	h) Wildlife Corridor Strategy.
	2.2 <i>Footnote</i>	Footnote: The Eastern Metropolitan Regional Council (EMRC) secondary waste treatment project aims to review and progress regional activities to recover resources from waste.
<p>ECONOMIC</p> <p>Key Challenges and Outcomes Page 10</p>		Moved “benefiting from regional growth” from Key Challenges to Outcomes.
<p>ECONOMIC</p> <p>New Initiatives Page 11</p>	3.2 Progress the Visitor Centre and Community Precinct.	3.2 Progress tourism initiatives including the Visitor Centre and Community Precinct.
	3.7 Further develop Buy Local programs	3.7 Further develop Buy Local and Buy Green programs

ADMINISTRATION New Initiatives Page 15	4.3 • Online service delivery.	4.3 • Online service delivery, including from a range of Council locations.
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9. In addition details of the community consultation process have been added to the Draft Plan, as required by legislation.
10. The amended Plan ([Attachment 2](#)) is appended for Council consideration and adoption.
11. **Minor spelling and grammar corrections were noted in both reports, with an amendment being made to Attachment 2 Page 15 Item 4.3, second dot point, being amended to read *"On line service delivery from the Administration Centre and a range of Council locations."***

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**GS 47/2006**

1. That Council adopt the Plan for the Future of the District 2006-2011 as per ([Attachment 2](#)) in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 – Section 5.56 and Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 Section 19C.

Moved: (Cr Blair)

Seconded: (Cr Taylor)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**Absolute Majority**

48. Policy - Salary Sacrifice - Laptop Computers (OR-CMA-001) (Corporate Services)

Purpose of Report

1. To establish a policy whereby staff are able to salary sacrifice to purchase lap top computers and accessories.

Background

2. Council has previously agreed to an arrangement allowing staff to salary sacrifice into superannuation. This has been in place for some years and is carried out at no cost to Council.
3. Recently some staff have asked if Council would also be prepared to allow lap top computers to be acquired by salary sacrifice.

Comments

4. Salary sacrifice to acquire portable computers is a common practice which is allowed in accordance with FBT legislation.
5. Such an arrangement would be a policy initiative that would accord with the objective of attracting and retaining staff, and would be at no direct cost to Council.
6. A suitable draft policy is attached. ([Attachment 1](#))

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

GS 48/2006

1. That Council adopts the policy 'Salary Sacrifice – Laptop Computers' as per (Attachment 1)

Moved: (Cr Taylor)

Seconded: (Cr Blair)

CARRIED

THOSE FOR THE MOTION

CR BILICH
CR MORTON
CR D SADLER
CR CASEY
CR WINTERHALDER
CR TAYLOR
CR BLAIR
CR N SADLER

THOSE AGAINST THE MOTION

CR MCKECHNIE

49. David Street Traffic Calming Petition
(DV-02/GEN) (Engineering Services)

Refer Item:

Applicant:

Owner:

Purpose of Report

1. To consider a petition requesting traffic calming devices, from residents of David Street Maida Vale.

Background

2. A petition requesting the installation of speed humps either side of the bend in David Street Maida Vale, to reduce excessive speeds around the bend, was tabled at the General Services Committee of 7 March 2006. The petition contains 8 signatories.
3. Subsequent to the tabling of the petition, Shire Officers undertook a traffic survey, and investigated traffic accident statistics at the cited problem location.
4. Traffic counters were placed 100m south of the bend and at the bend, for one week between 9 March 2006 and 16 March 2006, which provided the following results:

	100m South	Bend
Recorded 85% percentile Speed	64km/hr	49km/hr
Recorded Average Speed	54km/hr	43km/hr

5. During the 2003/04 financial year, the bend in David Street was widened to facilitate the installation of a traffic island. The following traffic data was collected, prior to the roadworks, from a traffic survey undertaken at the bend between 17 December 2002 and 6 January 2003:

	Bend
Recorded 85% percentile Speed	59km/hr
Recorded Average Speed	50km/hr

6. In the five year period from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2004, there were 2 accidents recorded on David Street, with only one accident recorded at the bend. No accident has been recorded at the bend since the installation of the median island. The other recorded accident resulted in only minor damage after a cyclist rode into the side of a car.

Comments

7. After the installation of the traffic island in 2003/04, there has been a reduction of 10km/hr in this street. The installation of a median island at this location, physically separating opposing traffic, also prevents vehicles crossing the centreline reducing the likelihood of head-on accidents.
8. Traffic Calming Devices assist in reducing the average speed in streets, but cannot be designed to control maximum speeds. Further, speed humps are not preferred by ambulances because of the inconvenience to their patients. Accordingly, installation of additional traffic devices is not warranted.
9. **Mr Lawson of David Street addressed the Committee, commenting on the number of accidents/incidences that occurred in David Street which were never reported, including many which have occurred since the installation of the median island.**
10. **There have also been a number of near misses when residents are reversing out of their driveways.**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

GS 49/2006

1. That no further action be taken to reduce vehicle speeds around the bend in David Street Maida Vale.

Moved: (Cr Taylor)

Seconded: (Cr Casey)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

50. Patricia Road Right Of Way Street Lighting
(FR-10/GEN; FR-10/009; PT-01/GEN) (Engineering Services)
Refer Item: N/A
Applicant: N/A
Owner: N/A

Purpose of Report

1. To consider a petition for the installation of street lighting in the Right Of Way (ROW) in Patricia Road, Kalamunda.

Background

2. A petition requesting the installation of street lighting in the ROW, opposite 11 Patricia Road Kalamunda, was tabled at the April round of Council Meetings. The petition contains 7 signatories. A map showing the location of the ROW and the location of the petition signatories is included at ([Attachment 1.](#))
3. The ROW provides an opportunity for rear access to the properties of the petitioners, as well as a number of other properties, which did not sign the petition.
4. Each property, with the ability to get access via the ROW, also has a road frontage to Francis Road, Patricia Road, James Road or Betti Road. The resident coordinating the petition has not constructed a formal access to their official road frontage, even though they are not precluded from doing so by topography or road geometry.
5. It is not common for street lighting to be installed within a ROW, due to the potential light nuisance and the low road safety value of lighting a ROW.

Comments

6. Although a number of residents have signed the petition requesting and agreeing to the installation of a street light at the end of the ROW, a number of residents, including two of the four properties likely to be directly impacted upon, have not signed the petition. Additionally, although a number of current residents have agreed to the installation of street lighting, it is possible that future residents will disagree with the affect of a street light, at the rear of their property, on their amenity.
7. ROW's are low volume low speed access ways to the rear of properties, and in each of the cases on the subject ROW, represents a secondary access to their property. Additionally, the ROW is only partially constructed, so vehicles using the ROW to access their properties near the location of the requested street light will be progressing slowly due to the uneven terrain. With the low vehicle speeds, the infrequent use of an un-constructed secondary property access, and the likely limited pedestrian use, due to the uneven terrain, lack of 'openness' after dark, and the limited time benefit, the installation of a streetlight within the ROW does not provide a significant road safety benefit.

8. Street lighting can be installed to provide a security benefit to residents. In the past, the installation of street lights has been to address road safety issues, rather than to provide a security service to individual residents. An alternative to the installation of a street light for security, is for residents to install their own security sensor lights, should they feel additional lighting is required around the rear of their property. This service will allow individual residents to choose the affect of any lighting on their own amenity, and will ensure a precedent is not created for street lighting to be used to address private security concerns, rather than road safety issues.
9. The subject petition also requests the installation of a street light within Patricia Road near the entrance of the ROW. The entrance to the ROW is likely to be difficult to see after dark and the installation of a street light at this location can provide a road safety benefit to vehicles and pedestrians. However, the existing overhead powerline configuration at this location will make the installation of a street light difficult. Further investigation of the feasibility, in conjunction with Western Power, will be required at this location.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**GS 50/2006**

1. That installation of street lighting within the Patricia Road Right of Way not be undertaken, and that the further investigation into the ability to install a street light at the intersection of Patricia Road and the Right of Way be undertaken.

Moved: (Cr Taylor)

Seconded: (Cr D Sadler)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

51. Petition –Improvements within Public Open Space at Corner of Hale Road and Gillings Parade, Wattle Grove (GL-17/GEN) (Engineering Services)

Refer Item:

Applicant: Residents of The Boulevard, Wattle Grove

Owner:

Purpose of Report

1. To consider a petition from the residents of The Boulevard, Wattle Grove, tabled at the General Service Committee meeting held on 7 February 2006.

Background

2. Residents of The Boulevard have petitioned Council for an urgent upgrade and beautification of the Public Open Space (POS) at the corner of Hale Road and Gillings Parade, shown at ([Attachment 1.](#)). The petition contains 36 signatories.
3. The subject POS is a corridor along Woodlupine Creek and forms part of the Cell 9 Scheme works. Costs in respect to the acquisition of the land and realignment of the creek, rehabilitation of wetlands, creation of additional sumps and associated earth works, along with soil stabilisation and footpaths are included in the Cell 9 Scheme infrastructure, which is funded through developer contributions. Costs associated with the play equipment within the POS are not provided within the scheme infrastructure and hence are subject to Council's budgetary process.
4. The land for the POS is being progressively acquired as the developments take place and/or when scheme funds are available for the purchase. Similarly the infrastructure works are also dependant on the availability of scheme funds.
5. Two Rivers Catchment Group has also provided \$120,000 to carry out rehabilitation work and planting within the reserve.

Comments

6. Based upon the current estimates for the cash flow of the Cell 9 Scheme, approximately \$100,000 worth of works in the POS are proposed in the current financial year and \$200,000 in the next financial year which will include earthworks and construction of footpaths. These allocations are in addition to the grant provided by Two Rivers Group, which will be used for planting.
7. Earthworks in the lake at the corner of Hale Road and Gillings Parade has already commenced, which will be followed by planting of suitable trees. Creek rehabilitation work and planting is guided by an environmental consultant.
8. Woodlupine Creek also has a drainage function and accordingly compensating requirements and structures within the creek are designed to meet Water Corporation requirements.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

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1. That the proposed work in the Public Open Space at the corner of Hale Road and Gillings Parade, Wattle Grove are noted and endorsed.

Moved: (Cr Morton)

Seconded: (Cr D Sadler)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.0 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

11.0 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS WITHOUT NOTICE

11.1 **Traffic Calming Devices**

Cr Winterhalder referred to the item relating to traffic calming devices and asked that the cost and feasibility of the neon signs used in the United Kingdom which showed a vehicles speed as they passed through a particular area, be investigated.

It was agreed the Executive Manager Engineering Services would investigate these signs and report to a future meeting of the committee.

11.2 **FESA Grant for \$30,000**

Cr McKechnie sought clarification that this grant was going to be implemented by a current staff member and that the monies were not going to be spent on salaries.

The Chief Executive Officer confirmed that was correct.

11.3 **Rating Issues**

Cr McKechnie requested information on whether the increased housing prices would reflect on the rates levied.

The Executive Manager Corporate Services advised that rates are based on a GRV and not capital values.

12.0 URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE PERSON PRESIDING OR BY DECISION

12.1 Nil

13.0 MATTERS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC
(Matters Behind Closed Doors)

13.1 Nil

14.0 CLOSURE

There being no further business the President declared the meeting closed at 7.25 pm.

I confirm these Minutes to be a true and accurate record of the proceeds of the Council.

Signed: _____(Chairman)

Dated this day of 2006.