

## Minutes

# Sustainability Advisory Committee

MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, 16 APRIL 2009

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# CITY OF JOONDALUP

**MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN CONFERENCE ROOM 3, JOONDALUP CIVIC CENTRE, BOAS AVENUE, JOONDALUP ON THURSDAY, 16 APRIL 2009.**

## **ATTENDANCE**

### **Committee Members:**

Cr Brian Corr	Presiding Person	
Cr Mike Norman	Deputy Presiding Person	<i>from 1803 hrs</i>
Cr Russ Fishwick		
Mr Steve Magyar	Community Representative	<i>to 1915 hrs</i>
Mr Rainer Repke	Community Representative	
Mr John Chester	Community Representative	
Mr John Rule	Community Representative	
Dr Ute Goeft	Community Representative	

### **Officers:**

Ms Glenda Blake	Acting Director, Governance and Marketing
Mrs Jill Hewison	Administrative Secretary

## **DECLARATION OF OPENING**

The Presiding Person declared the meeting open at 1801 hrs.

## **APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Apology      Mr Peter Jacoby

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 19 FEBRUARY 2009

**MOVED Cr Fishwick, SECONDED Mr Repke that the minutes of the meeting of the Sustainability Advisory Committee held on 19 February 2009 be confirmed as a true and correct record.**

**The Motion was Put and**

**CARRIED (7/0)**

**In favour of the Motion:** Crs Corr & Fishwick, Mr J Chester, Mr S Magyar, Dr U Goeft, Mr R Repke & Mr J Rule

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING PERSON WITHOUT DISCUSSION**

Nil.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil.

**IDENTIFICATION OF MATTERS FOR WHICH THE MEETING MAY SIT BEHIND CLOSED DOORS**

Nil.

**PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS****REPORTS****ITEM 1                    REQUEST BY THE SUSTAINABILITY  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO HOLD ONE OR  
MORE WORKSHOPS - [00906]**

**WARD:** All

**RESPONSIBLE  
DIRECTOR:** Mr Garry Hunt  
Office of the CEO

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**PURPOSE/ EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to seek clarification from the Sustainability Advisory Committee in relation to the purpose and scope of requested workshops to enable Council to give further consideration as to the merits of holding such workshops.

**BACKGROUND**

The Sustainability Advisory Committee at its meeting held on 19 February 2009, resolved:

*“That the Sustainability Advisory Committee, in accordance with Council’s resolution of 30th September 2008, Item CJ198-09/08, that “Council requests that proposals for workshops be presented to Council in the first instance to determine whether a workshop should be held”, hereby submitted the following reports and references and documents for Council’s determination of the suitability of the documents for a Sustainability Advisory Committee Workshop:*

- 1     *“Sustainability Reporting Guidelines, Version 3.0”, Global Reporting Initiative;*

- 2 *“Standards and Practices for Forecasting”, J Scott Armstrong, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania;*
- 3 *Weathercocks & signposts, The environment movement at a crossroads, April 2008, WWF;*
- 4 *“Five Axioms of Sustainability”, Richard Heinberg’s MuseLetter #178 – February 2007.”*

## **DETAILS**

The minutes of the Sustainability Advisory Committee held on 19 February 2009 were submitted to the Council meeting held on 17 March 2009, where Council resolved as follows:

*“NOTES the request from the Sustainability Advisory Committee to conduct one or more workshops and SEEKS clarification from the Sustainability Advisory Committee in relation to the purpose and scope of such workshops to enable further consideration of their merits and associated impact on resources.”*

If the workshops require attendance by City staff, there would be considerable resource implications in terms of reviewing documents, attendance at workshops and preparation of minutes, which will also impact on the City’s ability to meet existing priorities as detailed in the Annual Plan and other reports requested by Council.

### **Link to Strategic Plan:**

Key Focus Area: Organisation Development

Objective 4.3 To ensure the City responds to and communicates with the community.

### **Legislation – Statutory Provisions:**

The Committee is established in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995.

### **Risk Management considerations:**

Not Applicable.

### **Financial/Budget Implications:**

Not Applicable.

### **Policy Implications:**

Not Applicable.

### **Regional Significance:**

The Sustainability Advisory Committee provides an opportunity for consideration of regional matters that may impact on local sustainability.

**Sustainability Implications:**

The Sustainability Advisory Committee provides a forum for consideration of a range of sustainability issues by Elected Members and community representatives with local knowledge and expertise.

**Consultation:**

Not Applicable.

**COMMENT**

Feedback is requested from the Sustainability Advisory Committee to enable further consideration by Council as to the merits of holding such workshops.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Nil.

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

Simple Majority

The Acting Director, Governance & Marketing gave a brief overview of the Report.

*Cr Norman entered the Room at 1803 hrs.*

**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

That the Sustainability Advisory Committee PROVIDES information and clarification in relation to the purpose and scope of requested workshops to enable further consideration by Council of their merits and associated impact on resources.

**MOVED Mr Magyar, SECONDED Mr Repke that the Sustainability Advisory Committee PROVIDES the following information and clarification in relation to the purpose and scope of requested workshops to enable Council to consider the merits of workshops and the low impact on the City's resources:**

- 1 The intent of holding workshops is to allow the Committee to better develop ideas and recommendations to Council whilst limiting the impact on the City's resources;**
- 2 the Sustainability Advisory Committee requests only the provision of a meeting room, a light supper, tea/coffee or fruit juice, butcher's paper, felt tip pens and equipment for Powerpoint Presentations for the workshops;**
- 3 the attendance by officers is not required, but welcome if they wish to attend;**
- 4 the process envisioned is that the person initiating the workshop shall prepare all documentation before and after the workshop;**

- 5** the person initiating the workshop shall present the outcome of the workshop as a motion with due notice to a following Sustainability Advisory Committee meeting after consulting with the Chairman of the Committee on the contents of the motion with due notice.

Discussion ensued.

**AMENDMENT MOVED Mr Chester, SECONDED Cr Fishwick that the following points be ADDED to the Motion:**

- To allow the Committee to better develop ideas and recommendations to Council whilst limiting the impact on the City's resources;
- To gather information to be able to advise Council on how, with suitable planning, the City can ensure its future sustainability under the influence of global changes including, but not limited to:
  - Climate;
  - Availability of energy;
  - Availability of water;
- the attendance by officers is not required, but welcome if they wish to attend.

Discussion ensued.

**The Amendment was Put and**

**CARRIED (7/1)**

**In favour of the Amendment:** Crs Corr, Norman & Fishwick, Mr J Chester, Dr U Goeft, Mr J Rule and Mr R Repke **Against the Amendment:** Mr S Magyar

**AMENDMENT MOVED Cr Corr SECONDED Cr Norman that points 2, 4 and 5 of the original motion be removed.**

**The Amendment was Put and**

**CARRIED (7/1)**

**In favour of the Amendment:** Crs Corr, Norman & Fishwick, Mr J Chester, Dr U Goeft, Mr J Rule and Mr R Repke **Against the Amendment:** Mr S Magyar

Discussion ensued.

**The Original Motion as amended, being:**

**That the Sustainability Advisory Committee PROVIDES the following information and clarification in relation to the purpose and scope of requested workshops to enable Council to consider the merits of workshops and the low impact on the City's resources:**

- 1** To allow the committee to better develop ideas and recommendations to Council whilst limiting the impact on the City's resources;

**2 To gather information to be able to advise Council on how, with suitable planning, the City can ensure its future sustainability under the influence of global changes including, but not limited to:**

- **Climate;**
- **Availability of energy;**
- **Availability of water;**

**3 the attendance by officers is not required, but welcome if they wish to attend.**

**Was Put and**

**CARRIED (8/0)**

**In favour of the Motion:** Crs Corr, Norman & Fishwick, Mr J Chester, Dr U Goeft, Mr J Rule, Mr S Magyar and Mr R Repke

#### **MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**

Nil.

#### **REQUESTS FOR REPORTS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION**

**MOVED Cr Corr SECONDED Mr Repke that the Sustainability Advisory Committee REQUESTS Council to resolve that the Chief Executive Officer prepares reports on:**

- 1 the sustainable practices being used in the award-winning HIA Green Smart Rivergums estate in Baldivis;**
- 2 the environmentally sustainable design used in the Stockland South Beach residential development near Fremantle (City of Cockburn);**

**and that these reports be sent to the Sustainability Advisory Committee for consideration.**

Discussion ensued.

**AMENDMENT Cr Norman SECONDED Mr Magyar that an additional point be added to the Motion as follows:**

- **The information obtained in points 1 and 2 above be considered in relation to the development of the sustainability requirements of the District Planning Scheme 3.”**

Discussion ensued.

**The Amendment was Put and**

**CARRIED (8/0)**

**In favour of the Amendment:** Crs Corr, Norman & Fishwick, Mr J Chester, Dr U Goeft, Mr J Rule, Mr S Magyar and Mr R Repke

**The Original Motion, as amended, being:**

**That the Sustainability Advisory Committee REQUESTS:**

- 1 Council to resolve that the Chief Executive Officer prepares reports on:**
  - (a) The sustainable practices being used in the award-winning HIA Green Smart River gums estate in Baldivis;**
  - (b) The environmentally sustainable design used in the Stock land South Beach residential development near Fremantle (City of Cockburn);**

**And that these reports are sent to the Sustainability Advisory Committee for consideration;**

- 2 the information obtained in points 1 and 2 above be considered in relation to the development of the sustainability requirements of the District Planning Scheme 3.**

**Was Put and**

**CARRIED 8/0**

**In favour of the Motion:** Crs Corr, Norman & Fishwick, Mr J Chester, Dr U Goeft, Mr J Rule, Mr S Magyar and Mr R Repke

*Mr Magyar left the Room at 1915 hrs.*

**MOVED Mr Repke** that the Sustainability Advisory Committee requests that the Council enquires (and reports back to the Sustainability Advisory Committee) with the Department of Water regarding the potential of a water shortage starting with the shortage of groundwater, with a shortage of mains water to follow and which actions can be taken to prepare the City respectively avoid such a situation to occur.

**The Presiding Person ruled this Motion OUT OF ORDER.**

**MOVED R Repke** that the Sustainability Advisory Committee requests the City to evaluate and report back on the status, the intended improvements and the timeframe of Joondalup's median strips and verges.

**There being no Seconded, the motion**

**LAPSED**

**MOVED Cr Corr SECONDED Cr Fishwick** that a copy of the report which is to be presented to Policy Committee in regards to commercial green star policy be sent to the Sustainability Advisory Committee for consideration prior to it being considered by Council.

**The Motion was Put and**

**CARRIED (7/0)**

**In favour of the Motion:** Crs Corr, Norman & Fishwick, Mr J Chester, Dr U Goeft, Mr R Repke & Mr J Rule



**MOVED Mr Chester SECONDED Ms Goeft that the Sustainability Advisory Committee REQUESTS a report on the City's planned renewable energy feasibility study which was listed for consideration in the 2008/09 draft budget. This study was to include the possibility of retro fitting the Council's Administration Building, Council Chambers Building and the Library at Boas Avenue, Joondalup, with solar and/or wind power energy collection systems to a level which would receive a high star rating under the Green Star Rating System run by the Green Building Council of Australia.**

Discussion ensued.

**AMENDMENT MOVED Cr Norman SECONDED Mr Repke that additional reports are provided on:**

- 1 the progress of the energy audit being performed on the City's top five (5) buildings requested previously;**
- 2 the educational initiatives and arrangements for the drop off of household hazardous waste (HW).**

Discussion ensued.

**The Amendment was Put and**

**CARRIED (7/0)**

**In favour of the Amendment:** Crs Corr, Norman & Fishwick, Mr J Chester, Dr U Goeft, Mr J Rule and Mr R Repke

**The Original Motion, as amended, being:**

**That the Sustainability Advisory Committee REQUESTS a report on:**

- 1 the City's planned renewable energy feasibility study which was listed for consideration in the 2008/09 draft budget. This study was to include the possibility of retro fitting the Council's Administration Building, Council Chambers Building and the Library at Boas Avenue, Joondalup, with solar and/or wind power energy collection systems to a level which would receive a high star rating under the Green Star Rating System run by the Green Building Council of Australia;**
- 2 the progress of the energy audit being performed on the City's top five (5) buildings requested previously;**
- 3 the educational initiatives and arrangements for the drop off of household hazardous waste (HW).**

**Was Put and**

**CARRIED (7/0)**

**In favour of the Motion:** Crs Corr, Norman & Fishwick, Mr J Chester, Dr U Goeft, Mr R Repke & Mr J Rule

## **CLOSURE**

There being no further business, the Presiding Person declared the Meeting closed at 1940 hrs; the following committee members being present at that time:

Cr Brian Corr  
Cr Mike Norman  
Cr Russ Fishwick  
Mr Rainer Repke  
Mr John Chester  
Dr Ute Goeft  
Mr John Rule