

Unscheduled Council Meeting (Mayoral Election)

Minutes

1 November 2021 at 6:30pm

Virtual Meeting





The City of Ballarat acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land we live and work on, the Wadawurrung and Dja Dja Wurrung People, and recognises their continuing connection to the land and waterways. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging and extend this to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People.

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The next Meeting of the Ballarat City Council will be held on Wednesday 24 November 2021.

1. WELCOME, OPENING AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Chief Executive Officer, Evan King opened the meeting.

'Good Evening,

Councillors, Deanne Gilson, Ladies and Gentlemen watching the meeting at home.

It is a great pleasure to welcome you to this meeting of the Council of the City of Ballarat. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, this meeting has been closed to the public but is live broadcasted on Council's website and it will be made available on the website in the following days.

For the first part of this meeting, I will act as Chairperson while we complete several formal procedures.

Councillors will formally elect a Mayor and Deputy Mayor to lead the Council of the City of Ballarat.

I would now like to Declare the meeting Open and I invite Deanne Gilson to provide the Welcome to Country.'

Deanne Gilson conducted a formal Welcome to Country.

Evan King, Chief Executive Officer thanks Deanne Gilson.

2. OPENING DECLARATION

Councillors: *"We, the Councillors of the City of Ballarat, declare that we will carry out our duties in the best interests of the community, and through collective leadership will maintain the highest standards of good governance."*

Mayor: *"I respectfully acknowledge the Wadawurrung and Dja Dja Wurrung People, the traditional custodians of the land, and I would like to welcome members of the public in the gallery."*

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2.1 Present

Mayor Cr Daniel Moloney
Cr Ben Taylor
Cr Samantha McIntosh
Cr Belinda Coates
Cr Mark Harris
Cr Des Hudson
Cr Amy Johnson
Cr Peter Eddy
Cr Tracey Hargreaves

Mr Evan King- Chief Executive Officer
Ms Bridget Wetherall - Director Infrastructure and Environment
Mr Matthew Wilson - Director Community Wellbeing
Mr John Hausler - Director Corporate Services
Ms Natalie Robertson - Director Development and Growth
Mr Cameron Montgomery - Executive Manager Governance and Risk

2.2 Apologies

Nil

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil

5. MANAGING OUR BUSINESS

5.1. ELECTION OF MAYOR 2021/22

Division: Executive Unit
Director: Evan King
Author/Position: Evan King – Chief Executive Officer

PURPOSE

1. The report outlines the process and statutory requirements for the election of the Mayor for the City of Ballarat in accordance with section 25 of the *Local Government Act 2020* (the Act) and section 3.5.1 of Council's Governance Rules.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Determine the Mayoral term to be for 1 year.

Moved: Cr Amy Johnson

CARRIED

Seconded: Cr Samantha McIntosh

(R234/21)

Evan King, Chief Executive Officer advised that in accordance with section 25 of the Local Government Act and Council's Governance Rules the Mayor must be elected by an absolute majority of the Councillors; and that the election must be carried out by a show of hands.

Evan King, Chief Executive Officer advised that there is just one nomination for the position of Mayor for the year 2021/22, being Cr Moloney. Evan King, Chief Executive Officer asked that the nomination be accepted.

Cr Moloney accepted his nomination for the position of Mayor for the year of 2021/2022.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Elect Cr Moloney as Mayor of the Ballarat City Council for the year 2021/2022.

Moved: Cr Samantha McIntosh

CARRIED

Seconded: Cr Tracey Hargreaves

(R235/21)

RESOLUTION

That the standing orders be suspended to allow the Mayor to receive the Mayoral Robe and Chains.

Moved: Cr Samantha McIntosh

CARRIED

Seconded: Cr Peter Eddy

(R236/21)

Evan King, Chief Executive Officer, invited Mayor, Cr Moloney to take the chair for the remainder of the meeting.

RESOLUTION

That the standing orders be resumed

Moved: Cr Daniel Moloney

CARRIED

Seconded: Cr Amy Johnson

(R237/21)

Mayor, Cr Moloney addressed the Council and Gallery with a brief thank you speech and reflection of the past 12 months.

5.2. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR 2021/22

Division: Executive Unit
Director: Evan King
Author/Position: Evan King – Chief Executive Officer

PURPOSE

1. The report outlines the process and statutory requirements for the election of the Deputy Mayor for the City of Ballarat in accordance with section 27 of the *Local Government Act 2020* (the Act) and section 3.5.5 of Council's Governance Rules.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Determine the Deputy Mayoral term to be for 1 year.

Moved: Cr Samantha McIntosh **CARRIED**
Seconded: Cr Belinda Coates **(R238/21)**

Mayor, Cr Moloney advised that there is just one nomination for the position of Deputy Mayor for the year 2021/22, being Cr Johnson. Mayor, Cr Moloney asked that the nomination be accepted.

Cr Moloney accepted his nomination for the position of Mayor for the year of 2021/2022.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Elect Cr Johnson as Deputy Mayor of the Ballarat City Council for the year 2021/2022.

Moved: Cr Ben Taylor **CARRIED**
Seconded: Cr Des Hudson **(R239/21)**

Cr Johnson, Deputy Mayor, addressed the Council and Gallery with a brief thank you speech and reflection of the past 12 months.

RESOLUTION

That the standing orders be suspended to allow for presentations.

Moved: Cr Samantha McIntosh **CARRIED**
Seconded: Cr Tracey Hargreaves **(R240/21)**

Evan King, Chief Executive Officer provided Cr Moloney and Cr Johnson with a gift each on behalf of the community to recognise the esteem in which the position of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor carry.

RESOLUTION

That the standing orders be resumed

Moved: Cr Samantha McIntosh

Seconded: Cr Belinda Coates

CARRIED

(R241/21)

7. CLOSE

The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 7:09pm.

Confirmed this

day of

2021.

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Mayor