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extraordinary meeting minutes

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held at the Council Chambers, Windsor, on 17 June 2014, commencing at 6:30pm.

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Councillor K Ford, Mayor, Councillor T Tree, Deputy Mayor and Councillors P Conolly, M Creed, M Lyons-Buckett, C Paine, B Porter, P Rasmussen, J Reardon and L Williams.

ALSO PRESENT: General Manager - Peter Jackson, Director City Planning - Matt Owens, Director Infrastructure Services - Jeff Organ, Director Support Services - Laurie Mifsud, Executive Manager - Community Partnerships - Joseph Litwin, Chief Financial Officer – Emma Galea, Manager Corporate Services and Governance - Abbey Rouse and Administrative Support Coordinator - Natasha Martin.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors B Calvert and W Mackay.

162 **RESOLUTION**:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Porter and seconded by Councillor Reardon that the apologies be accepted and that leave of absence from the meeting be granted.

Councillor Rasmussen arrived at the meeting at 6:37pm.

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Reports for Determination

GENERAL MANAGER

Item: 97 GM - Adoption of Operational Plan 2014/2015 and Making and Levying of Rates and Fixing of Charges for the Period 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015 -(79351, 95496, 96332, 107)

Previous Item: 74, Extraordinary (15 April 2014)

Ms Jill Vincent addressed Council, speaking for the item.

A MOTION was moved by Councillor Creed, seconded by Councillor Reardon.

That:

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An AMENDMENT was moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Conolly.

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The amendment was carried and became the motion.

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Refer to RESOLUTION

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The meeting terminated at 7:25pm.

Submitted to and confirmed at the Ordinary meeting held on 24 June 2014.

Mayor