



MANNINGHAM

# ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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| <b>Date:</b>     | <b>Thursday, 2 November 2023</b>                                       |
| <b>Time:</b>     | <b>7:00pm</b>  |
| <b>Location:</b> | <b>Council Chamber, Civic Centre<br/>699 Doncaster Road, Doncaster</b> |

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**MANNINGHAM CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ON 2 NOVEMBER 2023 AT 7:00PM  
IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE  
699 DONCASTER ROAD, DONCASTER**

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The meeting commenced at 7:00pm.

**PRESENT:**

- Councillor Anna Chen**
- Councillor Andrew Conlon**
- Councillor Deirdre Diamante**
- Councillor Geoff Gough (virtual attendee)**
- Councillor Michelle Kleinert OAM**
- Councillor Carli Lange**
- Councillor Tomas Lightbody**
- Councillor Laura Mayne**
- Councillor Stephen Mayne**

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

- Chief Executive Officer, Mr Andrew Day**
- Chief Financial Officer, Mr Jon Gorst**
- Director Experience and Capability, Ms Kerryn Paterson**
- Director Connected Communities, Ms Lee Robson**
- Acting Director City Planning, Mr Andrew McMaster**
- Acting Director City Services, Ms Helen Napier**
- Acting Chief Legal and Governance Officer, Ms Carrie Bruce**

## **1. COMMENCEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS**

The Mayor, Cr Diamante opened the meeting and commenced proceedings by reading the prayer and statements of acknowledgment.

The Mayor recognised and acknowledged the following members in the gallery:

- Ron Kitchingman OAM JP - Former Mayor and Councillor and holder of the Key to the City
- Jim Grivokostopoulos - Former Mayor and Councillor
- Paula Piccinini – Former Mayor and Councillor
- Mike Zafiropoulos AM JP – Former Councillor
- Dot Haynes – Former Councillor
- Meg Downie – Former Councillor

## **2. APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

The Mayor confirmed Councillor Geoff Gough's virtual attendance.

**3. MAYORAL TERM**

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| <b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>   |                         |
| <b>MOVED:</b>   | <b>CR ANDREW CONLON</b> |
| <b>SECONDED:</b>  | <b>CR ANNA CHEN</b>     |
| <b>That Council determine the Mayor be elected for a one year term.</b> |                         |
| <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b>  |                         |

**4. ELECTION OF MAYOR**

The election of the Mayor was facilitated by the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to section 25(3) of the *Local Government Act 2020* and in accordance with Council's Governance Rules.

The Chief Executive Officer called for nominations for the position of Mayor for 2023-2024.

Cr Andrew Conlon nominated and Cr Michelle Kleinert seconded the nomination of Cr Carli Lange.

There were no further nominations and the Chief Executive Officer declared Cr Carli Lange duly elected as Mayor for 2023-2024.

*The Mayor was robed and enchainned. The Mayor assumed the Chair.*

**5. CONGRATULATORY MOTION**

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| <b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>  |                       |
| <b>MOVED:</b>  | <b>CR LAURA MAYNE</b> |
| <b>SECONDED:</b>   | <b>CR ANNA CHEN</b>   |
| <b>On behalf of Council and the residents of the municipality, congratulations be extended to Cr Carli Lange on being elected as Mayor of Manningham City Council.</b> |                       |
| <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b>   |                       |

Councillors L Mayne, Chen, Kleinert and S Mayne congratulated Cr Lange on her election as Mayor.

The Chief Executive Officer congratulated the Mayor on behalf of the organisation.

**6. RESPONSE FROM NEWLY ELECTED MAYOR**

The newly elected Mayor Carli Lange responded to Council on her appointment as Mayor for 2023-2024.

**7. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR**

The election of the Deputy Mayor was undertaken pursuant to section 27 of the *Local Government Act 2020* and in accordance with Council’s Governance Rules.

The Mayor called for nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor for 2023-2024.

Cr Deidre Diamante nominated and Cr Tomas Lightbody seconded the nomination of Cr Laura Mayne.

As there were no further nominations, the Mayor declared Cr Laura Mayne duly elected as Deputy Mayor for 2023-2024.

**8. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OUTGOING MAYOR**

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| <b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>   |                           |
| <b>MOVED:</b>   | <b>CR ANDREW CONLON</b>   |
| <b>SECONDED:</b>  | <b>CR TOMAS LIGHTBODY</b> |
| <br><b>On behalf of Council and the residents of the municipality, a motion of appreciation be recorded to the outgoing Mayor, Councillor Deirdre Diamante.</b> |                           |
| <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b>  |                           |

Councillors Conlon, Lightbody and Gough acknowledged and thanked the outgoing Mayor, Cr Deidre Diamante.

The Chief Executive Officer thanked the outgoing Mayor on behalf of the organisation.

The Mayor presented Cr Diamante with a gift. The outgoing Mayor Cr Diamante responded.

**9. CLOSE OF MEETING**

The Mayor declared the meeting closed.

The meeting concluded at 7.46pm.

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Chairperson  
CONFIRMED THIS 28 NOVEMBER 2023