

Sunshine Pool Last Stand Rally

1130 am Sunday 16 July 2006

Kennedy St Sunshine

Final Motions

1. That we celebrate the value and benefit to our community of:
 - the Sunshine Swim & Leisure Centre and
 - an ongoing partnership of trade unions and Sunshine community groups and workers
2. That we participate in processes to heal the wide rifts created between Sunshine people whether they be residents, Centre staff, political activists or other Council staff
3. That the staff of Sunshine Swim and Leisure Centre be recognised and acclaimed for the valuable service they have given to the Sunshine community since 1960 and the quality services they will continue to provide to our community for the decades to come
4. That the following groups be thanked for their collective actions in ensuring a full and proper two stage redevelopment of Sunshine Swim & Leisure Centre's outdoor 50m pool occurs in future:
 - b. The Sunshine Community Pool Action Group, Savesunshinepool.com, Sunshine International Womens Committee, Saltwater Swimmers and Sunshine Residents & Ratepayers Association
 - c. The CFMEU, ASU and all other Trades Hall unions and their officials and members
 - d. Western Suburbs Community and Unions Coalition and Union Solidarity
5. That the people and groups who supported and filled the roster at the Sunshine Pool Community Picket 24 hours a day from Tuesday 4 July to Wednesday 12 July to ensure our 50M pool was not demolished without a proper replacement plan and commitment be warmly thanked
6. That the Harvester Ward Councilors Miles Dymott, Costas Socratous and Sam David be acclaimed for their actions in voting against Brimbank Council's decisions to close Sunshine Swim & Leisure Centre and cancel Kane Constructions \$9.2M contract
7. That Cr Miles Dymott be acclaimed for submitting a Rescission Motion seconded by Cr.Costas Socratous to overturn the closure decision
8. That Brimbank Council be acclaimed for:
 - a. Promptly reversing its earlier decision to close Sunshine Swim & Leisure Centre and

- b. supporting a prompt Stage 2 redevelopment proposal to seek 100% State government funding contribution to properly replace the outdoor 50M pool with a heated outdoor leisure pool for youth, schools and families
9. That Bracks government and Minister Justin Madden be acclaimed for their strong support of the Sunshine community in its hours of need when closure of the Pool was likely
10. That in the spirit of Eureka evident here today a partnership of Sunshine community groups and the trade union movement obtain urgent clarity IN WRITING from Brimbank Council and Bracks Government about their collective intentions, processes and timetable to facilitate a proposal from Council to the Minister Justin Madden by end October 2006 to seek a Stage 2 leisure pool replacement of the community built Sunshine outdoor 50M pool
11. That the Sunshine community groups and trade unions put in place arrangements to retain their strong working partnership and together continue to advise Council on their proposed plans for development of facilities and programs at Sunshine Swim & Leisure Centre and other community assets and seek Council and MP's support for them.
12. That the Sunshine community groups, staff of Sunshine Swim & Leisure Centre, and Brimbank Council with the support of the trade unions, MP's and Bracks government establish new Sunshine Pool Stage 2 development planning processes that will begin to heal the divisions and wounds that have been created by the past Sunshine Pool redevelopment process
13. That prior to the November State elections the Sunshine community pool groups report back to the Sunshine community the position of the Bracks government, the Greens, the Liberals and the Family First parties about a Sunshine Swim & Leisure Centre Stage 2 project to properly replace the 50M outdoor pool with a leisure pool
14. That Kane Constructions respect both the intent of the Sunshine Pool Community Picket and the broader Sunshine community's historical and emotional attachment to its community built and owned 50M outdoor pool and delay demolishing it until plans for its replacement are made clear IN WRITING by the Brimbank Council and the Bracks government
15. That Kane Constructions, before demolishing the outdoor 50M pool, invite residents and staff to a ceremony to recognize and respect the efforts of all the people in 1960 who did so much to build a 50M outdoor pool facility where families and children from all walks of life could come together for some fun and enjoyment for generations to come
16. That Kane Constructions retain a number of appropriate pieces of the Sunshine outdoor 50M pool for them to be kept as a monument to those workers and families who built it for future generations to enjoy

LAST STAND RALLY PROGRAM

The General format will be:

1. Introductions
2. Reading of Eureka Oath Paul Murphy
3. Martin Kingham Union Update
4. Community Briefing on what has happened this past week
 - Council decisions
 - Community Picket
 - State govt funding position update
 - Pool groups update
 - Historical overview
5. Request for all school posters to be presented and displayed
6. Fighting Fund donations
8. Motions to be read and supported
9. Next Steps