PRESENT
The Lord Mayor (Councillor N Nelmes), Councillors D Clausen D Compton (arrived at 5.44pm), T Crakanthorp, T Doyle, J Dunn, M Osborne, S Posniak, A Robinson, A Rufo, L Tierney and S Waterhouse.

IN ATTENDANCE
F Cordingley (Interim Chief Executive Officer), K Liddell (Acting Director Infrastructure), P Chrystal (Director Planning and Regulatory), F Giordano (Manager Legal and Governance), K Hyland (Manager Communications and Engagement), K Baartz (Communications), P McCarthy (Team Coordinator, Strategic Planning), S Masia (Senior Urban Planner), K Edson (Executive Assistant to Director Planning & Regulatory), A Leach (Council Services/Minutes) and A Knowles (Council Services/Webcasting).

PRAYER
The Lord Mayor read a prayer and a period of silence was observed in memory of those who served and died so that Council might meet in peace.

MESSAGE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
The Lord Mayor read the message of acknowledgement to the Awabakal and Worimi peoples.

APOLOGIES

MOTION
Moved by Cr Osborne, seconded by Cr Rufo

The apologies submitted on behalf of Councillor Luke be received and leave of absence granted.

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Councillor Tierney
Councillor Tierney declared a non-significant non-pecuniary interest in the item and said her employer attended and participated in one of the consultation sessions conducted by UrbanGrowth NSW.

BRIEFING COMMITTEE REPORTS
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Michael Cassel, Program Director, UrbanGrowth NSW provided a briefing to Council on the community centered engagement conducted by UrbanGrowth NSW in the lead up to the planning proposal.

Patricia McCarthy, Team Coordinator, Strategic Planning and Steven Masia, Senior Urban Planner, Strategic Planning gave a presentation to Council on the points of difference between the Planning Proposal and Council's proposal, proposed building heights and envelopes and the steps involved in the planning proposal process.

Councillors were given the opportunity to ask questions.

Questions related to the formation of an integrated transport plan, remediation costs included in the planning proposal, designs for Civic and Newcastle Stations and fabric of the structures and to what extent restoration would be required.

The meeting concluded at 7.05pm.