

AMENDED MOTION BY COUNCILLOR TERRY

ITEM NUMBER: DIS338

ITEM TITLE: ANIMAL HUSBANDRY – INTENSIVE (ROTATIONAL OUTDOOR PIGGERY)

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THAT condition 3 of the Authorising Officer Recommendation be AMENDED to read as follows:

3. Prior to commencement, all measures and actions identified in the stamped and approved Environmental Assessment and Management Plan dated ~~XXXXXX~~, referenced P2210668, being implemented and maintained to the satisfaction of the City of Albany, including but not limited to the following:
 - a) The operations of the approved Animal Husbandry – Intensive (Rotational Outdoor Piggery) shall be contained within the nominated areas, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the City of Albany.
 - b) The maximum capacity of the piggery shall be 700 sows.
 - c) The piggery shall be registered and operated in accordance with the Australian Pork Industry Quality Assurance Program (APIQ®).
 - d) The piggery shall comply with and be managed in accordance with the National Environmental Guidelines for outdoor rotational piggeries including waste management, rotation, all setbacks to watercourses, lot boundaries and and dwellings on adjoining properties.
 - e) ~~Areas of screening vegetation (bluegums) indicated on the map under Appendix I – Rotation Areas and Management of the Environmental Assessment Management Plan shall be retained in perpetuity, unless otherwise agreed to in writing with the City.~~ Suitable screening native vegetation shall be provided as shown on the map under Appendix I – Rotation Areas and Management of the Environmental Assessment Management Plan, to the satisfaction of the City of Albany. All screening vegetation shall be retained in perpetuity, unless otherwise agreed to in writing with the City.
 - f) Appropriate mortalities management practices shall be implemented to prevent groundwater and surface water contamination, odour nuisance, spread of infectious diseases and vermin breeding, in accordance with the *National Environmental Guidelines for Rotational Outdoor Piggeries*.

Councillor Reason:

During the site visit the proponent indicated he would plant native vegetation rather than replant Blue gums along the lines indicated in Appendix I.

I would argue that it would be more beneficial to have native vegetation planted as screening vegetation compared to Blue gums to provide native fauna a corridor to habitate in compared to an introduced flora species such as Blue gums.

Officer Comment:

The proponent had initially indicated they would leave 2 rows of blue gums which officers supported.

Noting comments on site that native vegetation would be planted, it would not be the officer's intention that blue gums were removed (if the proponent wanted them to stay) to be replaced with natives, especially given the time frame required to establish new native screening vegetation.

This is perhaps the unintended consequence that specifying the word "native" would create. Besides use of the word native, officers agree with the intent of the amendment.