

MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY, 11 APRIL 2016



MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF GENERAL COUNCIL 1

held in the Council Chambers, 20 Siding Avenue, Officer on Monday, 11 April 2016 The meeting commenced at 7pm

In the absence of the Mayor, Cr Jodie Owen, the CEO called for nominations for the appointment of a Temporary Chairperson

Cr Kate Lempriere nominated Cr Leticia Wilmot, seconded by Cr George Blenkhorn

Carried

PRESENT: Councillors Leticia Wilmot (Chair), Tania Baxter, Kate Lempriere, David Young, George Blenkhorn, Brett Owen, Collin Ross, Graeme Moore,

Messrs Garry McQuillan (CEO), Mike Ellis (GMAS), Derek Madden (GMCS), Phil Walton (GMPD), Jenny Scicluna (GMCWB), Waudi Tahche (GMPC), Doug Evans (MG)

APOLOGIES:

Cr Jodie Owen.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS Nil.

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1 CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET AND COUNCIL PLAN SUBMISSIONS

FILE REFERENCE INT1621652

RESPONSIBLE GENERAL MANAGER Derek Madden

AUTHOR Richard Williams

RECOMMENDATION

That:

- 1. Council receive and note the submissions received in response to the public advertisement of the Proposed Budget 2016-17 and Amended Council Plan; and
- 2. The submissions be considered by the Council at its meeting to be held on Tuesday 26 April, following which all submitters be advised in writing of the outcome of their submission and the reasons the decision has been taken.

Attachments

- 1Summary table of submissions4 Pages
- 2 Copies of written submissions 34 Pages
- 3 Copy of written Council Plan submission 3 Pages

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At the closing date for the lodgement of submissions on the Proposed Budget 2016-17 and Amended Council Plan, 14 submissions from 6 different organisations or individuals had been received. In addition, 34 submissions have been received via the online survey.

Details of submissions received are included in the table attached.

BACKGROUND

At the Special Council Meeting held on 7 March 2016, Council resolved to release the Proposed Budget 2016-17 and Amended Council Plan for public comment in accordance with legislative requirements of the Act. Public notice was given advising of the required statutory details regarding the Budget and Council Plan submissions to be received by 5.00 pm on Wednesday 6 April 2016.

The Proposed Budget 2016-17 and Amended Council Plan have been on public display at the Council offices, libraries, and on the Council website.

Council will consider the adoption of the Proposed Budget 2016-17 and Amended Council Plan, with or without amendments, at a Special Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday 26 April 2016, to be held at the Council Chambers, Siding Avenue, Officer.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council is required under Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989 to hear those persons who have lodged submissions and have requested to be heard in support of their submission.



Long-term financial sustainability (Section 5.3)

CONSULTATION/COMMUNICATION

The Proposed Budget 2016-17 and Amended Council Plan have been made available at the Pakenham, Emerald, and mobile libraries, Council offices, and on the Council website as part of the statutory consultation process.

Community consultation sessions ('Big Budget Brainstorm') were held at various locations across the Shire during November and December 2015.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Any changes to income or expenditure would require corrections to be made to the Proposed Budget 2016-17 document.

CONCLUSION

Council is required to hear those persons who have wished to speak in support of their submission lodged in regard to the Proposed Budget 2016-17 and Amended Council Plan.

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The following persons spoke in support of their submission:

- Ms Tilly Vervoort and Mr Peter Angwin spoke in support of the proposal to implement a reduced rate for retirement village residents.
- Mr Ray Brown on behalf of the Koo Wee Rup Community Centre Committee of Management spoke in support of his submission seeking the installation of an air lock to the front entrance to the Community Centre building.
- Mr Graham Jolly spoke to his various submissions lodged in regard to the draft Budget and Council Plan.
- Ms Kirsten Brice spoke in support of her submission requesting that Council improve the condition of Kenilworth Avenue for the safety of residents.
- Mr Ben Walker spoke to his submission requesting greater fire protection efforts to be made in the Garden City Estate in Cockatoo and improvements to roads in Cockatoo to improve their accessibility in the case of a fire.

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Moved Cr K Lempriere Seconded Cr B Owen That:

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Meeting closed at 8.03.pm

Minutes Confirmed Chairman