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CITY OF MOUNT GAMBIER

MEMBERS

NOTICE is hereby given that Mayor Perryman has called a Special Meeting of Council to be held in the Council Chamber, 10 Watson Terrace, Mount Gambier, on **MONDAY, 1st SEPTEMBER, 2014 AT 5.30 P.M.** (Councillors please note the commencement time)

Preceding the meeting there will be a Smoking Ceremony held in the Civic Centre Courtyard at 5.15pm.

Members and invited guests are encouraged to attend this ceremony which will lead to the Special Meeting of Council to permanently display the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flags in the Council Chamber.

An Agenda for the meeting is attached.

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Special Meeting of Council to be held, Monday, 1st September, 2014 at 5.30 p.m.

AGENDA

PRESENT: Mayor S A Perryman, Cr J Maher, Cr D Mutton, Cr H Persello, Cr P Richardson, Cr A Smith, Cr B Shearing, Cr Von Stanke, Cr M White, Cr A Lee

APOLOGIES: moved that the apology(ies) from
be received.

seconded

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE BOANDIK PEOPLES AS THE TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS OF THE LAND WHERE WE MEET TODAY. WE RESPECT THEIR SPIRITUAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LAND AND RECOGNISE THE DEEP FEELINGS OF ATTACHMENT OUR INDIGENOUS PEOPLES HAVE WITH THIS LAND.

1. SOCIAL, CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICES - Advice - Indigenous Advice and Information – Permanent Council Chamber Display of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flags - Ref. AF11/1595

Goal: Building Communities

Strategic Objective: Recognition of our indigenous communities as traditional custodians of the land. Build respectful partnerships with our indigenous persons.

Mayor Perryman:

- (a) offered Council's Statement of Commitment to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders and community (attached);
- (b) received, unfurled and placed the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags in the Council Chamber.

moved it be recommended:

- (a) on behalf of the Community, Council endorses the Statement of Commitment to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Community and will, in partnership with the Community develop and implement a reconciliation action plan to further this commitment.

seconded

Meeting closed at _____ p.m.

Statement of Commitment

to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Communities

The City of Mount Gambier recognises the Boandik people as the traditional owners and custodians of this local government area.

We respect the spiritual relationship with the land and recognise the deep feelings of attachment Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have with this land.

The City of Mount Gambier is committed to working together with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in the process of reconciliation.

We will cooperate to ensure the preservation of cultural practices, traditional sites and significant places. Council supports expressions of cultural identity.

The City of Mount Gambier supports and advocates for enriching the lives of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The City of Mount Gambier believes in a community characterised by social justice.

Together, we seek to build a society free of racism and prejudice where Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples feel a strong sense of belonging and are able to participate fully in the life of the community.