

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE CITY OF MOUNT GAMBIER HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, 10 WATSON TERRACE, MOUNT GAMBIER ON TUESDAY 17TH JANUARY, 2017 AT 6.00 P.M.

COUNCIL

PRESENT:

Mayor Andrew Lee

Cr Christian Greco
Cr Josh Lynagh
Cr Sonya Meziniec
Cr Frank Morello
Cr Hanna Persello
Cr Penny Richardson
Cr Ian Von Stanke

APOLOGY/IES:

Cr Greco moved that the apology from Cr Steven Perryman, Cr Mark Lovett and Cr Des Mutton be received.

Cr Meziniec seconded

Carried

COUNCIL OFFICERS:

Chief Executive Officer	- Mr M McShane
Director – Operational Services	- Mr D Sexton
Manager Governance and Property	- Mr M McCarthy
Finance Manager	- Mr G Button
Administrative Officer Executive Support	- Mrs F McGregor
Administrative Officer Executive Support	- Ms A Lavia

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.

CONFIRMATION

OF MINUTES:

Cr Von Stanke moved the minutes of the previous meeting held on 20th of December, 2016 be taken as read and confirmed.

Cr Greco seconded

Carried

MAYORAL REPORT - Ref. AF11/881

- Karen New Year Celebration
- Citizenship Ceremony – District Council of Grant
- Official Opening Blue Lake Dairy Group, Powdered Milk Converting Facility, Tantanoola

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS / ACTIVITIES - Ref. AF11/882

<u>Member</u>	<u>Organisation</u>
Cr Persello	Karen New Year Celebrations, Junior Show Jumping Awards Presentation

Cr Mezinec Building Better Regions Fund Information Session

Cr Greco moved the reports made by Council representatives on outside organisations / activities be received.

Cr Morello seconded Carried

QUESTIONS:

(a) With Notice - Nil submitted

(b) Without Notice - Nil

PETITIONS: Nil

NOTICE OF MOTION TO RESCIND: Nil

ELECTED MEMBERS WORKSHOPS - Ref. AF15/83

Nil held

ELECTED MEMBER TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT – Governance – Ref. AF11/903

Nil submitted.

COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS - Corporate and Community Services Committee and Operational Services Committee referred to the Council Meeting held 20th December, 2016 - Ref. AF11/1718, AF11/866

Cr Mezinec moved that the Council Action Items for the Corporate and Community Services Committee and the Operational Services Committee referred to the Council Meeting held 20th December 2016 be received and the contents noted.

Cr Greco seconded Carried

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

1. FINANCIAL STATEMENT – as at 31st December, 2016

Cr Lynagh moved the financial statement as at 31st December, 2016 be received.

Cr Greco seconded

Carried

2. CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT NO. 01/2017 - Council Fees and Charges Review 2017/2018 - Ref. AF11/2289

Cr Lynagh moved;

(a) Corporate and Community Services Report No. 1/2017 be received;

(b) Council adopt all recommended fees and charges identified in the “Schedule of Fees and Charges – 2017/2018 Financial Year” as presented in Corporate and Community Services Report No. 1/2017 notwithstanding that;

(i) other than those fees and charges that are identified as having specific commencement or review dates, all fees and charges in the “Schedule of Fees and Charges – 2017/2018 Financial Year” will come into effect on 1st July 2017.

(ii) Council has the authority to amend any fee or charge as circumstances change or arise.

Cr Greco seconded

Carried

3. CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT NO. 02/2017 - Financial Sustainability – Key Financial Indicators - Ref. AF11/704

The Director - Corporate Services reported;

(a) This same report (74/2016) was presented to Council in November, 2016, however since that time minor amendments have been made to Council’s annual financial statements;

(b) These amendments altered Council’s previously reported Operating Ratio (in a positive way) therefor the report has now been repeated incorporating the amended key financial indicators.

Cr Lynagh moved;

(a) Corporate and Community Services Report No. 02/2017 be received for information;

(b) Corporate and Community Services Report No. 02/2017 be referred to Council's Audit Committee for review.

Cr Von Stanke seconded

Carried

4. **CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT NO. 03/2017** - Review of Valuation and Rating System - Ref. AF11/2290

Cr Lynagh moved;

- (a) Corporate and Community Services Report No. 03/2017 be received;
- (b) Rating assumptions and directions referred to in this Report be used to prepare Council's draft Annual Business Plan and draft Budget, for Council's future consideration.

Cr Meziniec seconded

Carried

5. **CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT NO. 05/2017**- Flag Enquiry – Red Cross Month - Ref. AF11/2285

Cr Lynagh moved;

- (a) Corporate and Community Services Report No. 05/2017 be received;
- (b) the request from Australian Red Cross to fly the Red Cross Flag be supported.
- (c) the Red Cross Flag be raised at a flag raising ceremony on the morning of Monday 8th May 2017 using one of the special occasion flag poles located in the Cave Garden Courtyard, and then flown daily by Council for the remainder of the month of May 2017 only.
- (d) the Australian Red Cross to supply the flag that is to be flown in accordance with resolution (c) and to make all necessary arrangements for the flag raising ceremony.

Cr Meziniec seconded

Carried

6. **CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT NO. 06/2017** - Elector Representation Review – Submissions Report - Ref. AF15/624

Cr Lynagh moved;

- (a) Corporate and Community Services Report No. 06/2017 be received;
- (b) The eleven electronic submissions received during the second public consultation stage of the elector representation review process be received and noted;
- (c) The principal member of Council continue to be a Mayor elected by the community;
- (d) The Council area not be divided into wards (i.e. retain the existing "no wards" structure);
- (e) The future elected body of Council comprise eight (8) Area Councillors and the Mayor;

- (f) The Chief Executive Officer be authorised to prepare and forward the necessary report and documents to the Electoral Commissioner, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 12(11) and 12(12) of the Local Government Act 1999.

Cr Richardson seconded

Carried

7. CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT NO. 07/2017 - Position Nominations – Limestone Coast LGA - Ref. AF11/854

Cr Lynagh moved;

- (a) Corporate and Community Services Report No. 07/2017 be received;
- (b) The Limestone Coast Local Government Association be advised that Council's current position representatives as set out in Attachments 1-3 of Corporate and Community Services Report No. 07/2017 are confirmed.

Cr Greco seconded

Carried

OPERATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

1. **COMMITTEES - Internal - Operational Services Committee - re Projects to be undertaken by the Operational Services Department, Engineering Division, during month - Ref. AF11/866**

The Engineering Manager reported the following works are to be undertaken/are currently being undertaken by the Operational Services Department, Engineering Division, during the month:

<u>Commenced Tasks</u>	<u>% Completed</u>
• Foote Street (kerbing works)	50%
• James Street (paving works)	30%
• O'Halloran Terrace (kerbing works)	5%
• Lake Terrace East (footpath construction)	5%

Railway Lands

• Heritage elements (fence and stobie poles)	80%
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Completed Tasks

- Duigan Street (road reconstruction)
- Lansell Street (kerbing works)
- Lansell Street (concrete footpath)
- Crater Lakes boat mooring sand area

Cr Greco moved the report be received;

Cr Richardson seconded

Carried

2. **COMMITTEES - Council Development Assessment Panel - Minutes of Meeting held 15th December 2016 - Ref. AF15/554**

Cr Greco moved;

(a) Minutes of the Council Development Assessment Panel meeting held on Thursday, 15th December 2016 be received;

(b) the decisions made by the Council Development Assessment Panel be noted.

Cr Von Stanke seconded

Carried

3. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT - Use of Valley Lake Precinct - Drift Challenge Australia - King of the Hill Drift Event - 31/03/2017 - 01/04/2017 - 02/04/2017 - Ref. AF15/453**

The Director Operational Services reported:

(a) Council considered a report on 20th April 2016 regarding the potential for the City of Mount Gambier to host a National Series Drift Event and resolved as follows:

“(a) The report be received;

- (b) *Council approve in principle closure of the Valley Lakes precinct on the 24th and 25th September 2016.*
- (c) *Approval is conditional upon the track being suitable, an appropriate risk management plan, evidence of current public liability insurance and all approvals received from relevant authorities.”*
- (b) following the success of the event in September 2016, Drift Challenge Australia (DCA) has approached Council with a view to holding an annual event but earlier in the year (which suits their calendar and should also have the benefit of better weather);
- (c) DCA are seeking approval for a drift event to be held on Friday, 31st March 2017 to Sunday, 2nd April 2017 inclusive and have submitted Risk, Safety and Traffic Management Plans to Council;
- (d) this event will require the closure of the Valley Lake precinct for the three nominated days plus some restrictions to traffic during set up and dismantling of track infrastructure;
- (e) Council may be requested to assist with waste management and track sweeping.

Cr Greco moved;

- (a) **The report be received;**
- (b) **Council approve the closure of the Valley Lake precinct from Friday, 31st March 2017 to Sunday, 2nd April 2017 inclusive to allow Drift Challenge Australia to run a drift event;**
- (c) **if requested, Council provide in kind support up to a value of \$3,000;**
- (d) **Drift Challenge Australia to apply for, and receive, a Special Events Permit from Council.**

Cr Lynagh seconded

Carried

4. OPERATIONAL SERVICES REPORT NO. 1/2017 - Appointment - Council Development Assessment Panel 2017-2019 - Ref. AF16/439

Cr Greco moved;

- (a) **Operational Services Report No. 1/2017 be received;**
- (b) **the following Independent Persons be appointed to the Council Development Assessment Panel which shall commence for a two year term at the expiration of the current term in February, 2017:**
- **Mrs Liz Travers;**
 - **Ms Emily Finnigan;**
 - **Mr Peter Seebohm; and**
 - **Mrs Margaret Trotter.**

(c) Mrs Liz Travers be appointed as the Presiding Member of the Council Development Assessment Panel;

(d) Council advise both the successful and unsuccessful applicants of the outcome of their Expression of Interest and thank them for their interest.

Cr Von Stanke seconded Carried

Cr Greco moved;

(a) Nominations from the floor be accepted;

Cr Richardson seconded LOST

Cr Meziniec moved;

(a) Councillor nominations for CDAP positions be submitted to Manager Governance and Property for presentation to the February Council meeting;

February CDAP meeting be deferred for a week to accommodate the Council CDAP Member appointment process.

Cr Persello seconded Carried

MOTION WITH NOTICE - Nil

MOTION(S) WITHOUT NOTICE -

1. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** - China Engagement Strategy - Ref. AF13/306

Cr Persello moved;

(a) that the opportunity to establish stronger City to City relationships be pursued with the City of Baotou in Inner Mongolia during the delegation to China in March 2017;

(b) the Mayor be authorised to negotiate and sign a general partnership agreement on behalf of Council that assists the building of further opportunities in trade, investment, tourism, education and culture.

Cr Meziniec seconded Carried

Meeting closed at 6.31 pm

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