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# I hereby give notice that a Confidential Special Council Meeting will be held on:

Date: Tuesday, 3 March 2020

Time: 6.15 p.m.

Location: Council Chamber

**Civic Centre** 

10 Watson Terrace

**Mount Gambier** 

## **CONFIDENTIAL AGENDA**

# Special Council Meeting 3 March 2020

Andrew Meddle
Chief Executive Officer

3 March 2020

### 4.2 ITEM 4 - COMMUNITY AND RECREATION HUB - REQUEST FOR VERBAL UPDATE - SEVERAL MATTERS - REPORT NO. AR20/14687

#### CONSIDERATION FOR EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

Pursuant to section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999* the Council orders that all members of the public, except Mayor L Martin, Councillors S Mezinec, M Bruins, C Greco, B Hood, P Jenner, F Morello and S Perryman and Council Officer M McCarthy be excluded from attendance at the meeting for the receipt, discussion and consideration in confidence of Agenda Item 4.2 AR20/14687 Item 4 - Community and Recreation Hub - Request for Verbal Update - Several Matters.

The Council is satisfied that, pursuant to section 90(3) (b) and (g) of the Act, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to the Agenda Item is:

- information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is
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The Council is satisfied that the principle that the meeting be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstances because the matters to be discussed includes information subject to existing order of confidentialty made by Council the disclosure of which would be a breach of Council's own confidence.

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Committee: Council

Meeting Date: 3 March 2020 Report No.: AR20/14687

CM9 Reference: AF13/64

Author: Paul Jenner, Councillor

Authoriser:

Summary: Special Meeting called by 3 Elected Members

Community Plan Reference:

Goal 1: Our People

**Goal 2: Our Location** 

**Goal 3: Our Diverse Economy** 

Goal 4: Our Climate, Natural Resources, Arts, Culture and

Heritage

The Council is satisfied that, pursuant to Section 90(2) & (3) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to this agenda item is:

- (b) information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting business; or proposing to conduct business; or to prejudice the commercial position of the Council
- (g) information concerning matters that must be considered in confidence in order to ensure that the Council does not: breach any law, order or direction of a court or tribunal constituted by law, breach any duty of confidence, or breach any other legal obligation or duty.

#### REPORT RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council Report No. AR20/14687 titled 'Item 4 Community and Recreation Hub Request for Verbal Update Several Matters' as presented on 03 March 2020 be noted.
- 2. The CEO provide a comprehensive verbal update on the following matters:
  - (a) ABC South East SA Facebook post of 26<sup>th</sup> February 2020 regarding early closure of the existing 50 metre outdoor swimming pool:
    - (i) Is the CEO or Mayor aware of the source of the information contained in this post?
    - (ii) Did this Facebook post result from a media release issued by council in the days prior to 26<sup>th</sup> February 2020?
    - (iii) Did ABC South East contact the CEO or any council staff or Mayor regarding this article?
  - (b) The Border Watch article(s) 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020 regarding the early closure of the existing outdoor 50 metre swimming pool:
    - (iv) Is the CEO or Mayor aware of the source of the information contained in this article(s)?
    - (v) Did this article(s) result from a media release issued by council in the days prior to 26<sup>th</sup> February 2020?

- (vi) Did The Border Watch contact the CEO or any council staff or Mayor regarding this article?
- (c) What is the status of the tender process for the relining of the existing 50 metre outdoor swimming pool?
- (d) Regional Sport and Recreation Centre project costings:
  - (I) Why the \$1.7 million estimated cost to refurbish the existing 50 metre outdoor pool was not included in REPORT NO. AR19/56846 SUMMARY OF COSTING VARIATIONS considered by RSRC Committee on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and subsequently by Council 19<sup>th</sup> November 2019.
  - (II) The table of figures contained in REPORT NO. AR19/56846 SUMMARY OF COSTING VARIATIONS mentions \$720,000 but did not appear to deduct the \$125,000 originally allocated for a staged project. Was the \$125,000 deducted during the preparation of documents of the tender and if so, what was the Quantity Surveyor allowance for this element?
  - (III) What documentation exists regarding the additional \$363,000 for 'Storm Water EPA Requirements', how and when Council was made aware of this item being omitted from previous costing work.
- (e) Status of recruitment and/or appointment of the Site Superintendent for the Regional Sport and Recreation Centre project as it has been publicly reported in the media that the start of the project is imminent.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil



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- 2. Further that Council delegates the power to review, revoke, but not extension of the confidential order to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the provisions of Section 91(9)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1999*.

# MINUTES OF CONFIDENTIAL SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, 10 WATSON TERRACE, MOUNT GAMBIER ON TUESDAY, 3 MARCH 2020 AT 6.15 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Lynette Martin (OAM), Cr Sonya Mezinec, Cr Max Bruins, Cr Christian

Greco, Cr Ben Hood, Cr Paul Jenner, Cr Frank Morello, Cr Steven Perryman

COUNCIL Chief Executive Officer
OFFICERS: Manager Executive Administr

Manager Executive Administration

Communications Officer

- Mr A Meddle

Mr M McCarthy

- Mrs A Watson

### 4.2 ITEM 4 - COMMUNITY AND RECREATION HUB - REQUEST FOR VERBAL UPDATE - SEVERAL MATTERS - REPORT NO. AR20/14687

#### **RESOLUTION 2020/77**

Moved: Cr Frank Morello Seconded: Cr Sonya Mezinec

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#### **RESOLUTION 2020/78**

Moved: Cr Max Bruins Seconded: Cr Sonya Mezinec

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