

CITY OF MOUNT GAMBIER

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

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

APOLOGIES: Cr Richardson moved that the apology from Cr Lee be received.

Cr Von Stanke seconded

Carried

Mayor Steve Perryman noted attendees at the Special Council Meeting. Elders present Val Brennan, Penny Bonney, Malcolm Bonney, Jack Sailor, Mikey Hartman, Des Hartman, Viv Maher, Elaine Kropinyeri and family, Kingsley Ahern and Major Sumner. The Mayor welcomed other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community members and other guests and Council staff.

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 to Agenda);
- (b) received, unfurled and placed the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags in the Council Chamber.

Cr Richardson moved the recommendation as contained in item 1 be adopted.

- (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.

Cr Persello seconded

Carried

Meeting closed at 5.50 p.m.