

CITY OF MOUNT GAMBIER

Minutes of Special Meeting of Council held Wednesday 28th May, 2014 at 6.00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor S A Perryman, Cr A Lee, Cr J Maher, Cr P Richardson, Cr A Smith, Cr Von Stanke, Cr M White

APOLOGIES: Cr Smith moved that the apologies from Cr H Persello and Cr D Mutton be received.

Cr Von Stanke seconded

Carried

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. DRAFT 2014/2015 BUSINESS PLAN AND BUDGET OVERVIEW - Ref. AF13/457

The Director - Corporate Services reported:

- (a) The draft 2014/15 Business Plan and Budget issued for public consultation provides for the following estimates of income and expenditure:

	\$	
Required Rates	17,183,000	
Operating Revenue	6,399,000	
Less Operating Expenditure	<u>23,562,000</u>	
Operating Surplus / (-Deficit)	20,000	(Surplus)
Plus Non-Operating Revenue	8,979,000	
Less Non-Operating Expenditure	726,000	
Less Capital Expenditure	8,273,000	
Budget Cash Surplus / (-Deficit) as at 30 th June 2015	0	

Increase in rates of 4.8% would be required.

Cr Smith moved that the report be received

Cr Richardson seconded

Carried

2. DRAFT 2014/2015 BUSINESS PLAN AND BUDGET PROGRAM - Ref. AF13/457

The Director - Corporate Services reported:

Council at its meeting held on 18th February, 2014 resolved:

- “(a) In accordance with Section 123 of the Local Government Act 1999, the following Program leading up to the adoption of Annual Business Plan and Budget for 2014/2015 is proposed (actual dates to be confirmed):*

Date (2014)	Description
March/April	Members Budget Workshops/Briefing(s) (actual dates to be confirmed).
by 30 th April	Draft Business Plan and Budget released for public comment.
by 31 st May	Public submissions on draft Business Plan and Budget close.
early June	First Special (public) Meeting to hear any public submissions and to discuss the draft Business Plan and Budget.
mid June	Second Special (public) Meeting to be held to discuss/finalise the draft Business Plan and Budget (if required).

late June/July	Special Council meeting to be held to finalise draft Business Plan and Budget (if required).
31 st July	Last date for finalisation/distribution of first quarterly rate notice and distribution of summary Annual Business Plan.
12 th September	First quarterly rate instalment final payment date.

(b) Further noting the public consultation requirements of Section 123 the following public notification process (advising of availability and inviting submissions) is proposed:

- Newspaper advertisements (3 inserts)
- News releases/interviews
- Online community engagement "Have Your Say" facility
- A range of community engagement opportunities/processes that may include but go beyond the processes used during the 2013/2014 Business Plan and Budget Consultation. Elected Members input into the nature of this engagement will be sought."

Cr Von Stanke moved that:

- (a) the report be received;
- (b) Mr Jenner be thanked for his interest in making a presentation to Council on the 2014/2015 Business Plan and Budget.

Cr Smith seconded

Carried

3. CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT NO. 39/2014 - Draft 2014/2015 Business Plan and Budget– Community Consultation Outcomes - Ref. AF13/457

The Director Corporate Services reported;

- (a) Council's Community Consultation on the Draft 2014/2015 Business Plan and Budget concluded on Friday 9th May, 2014;
- (b) Corporate and Community Services Report No. 39/2014 (attached to the Agenda) provides full detail on the community consultation outcomes for Member's review;

- (c) An opportunity is always provided to any person(s) who may wish to address Council in support of any lodged submission.

Cr Richardson moved:

- (a) Corporate and Community Services Report No. 39/2014 be received;
- (b) Council publicly acknowledge and thank all persons individually who provided commentary on the Draft 2014/2015 Business Plan and Budget.

Cr Von Stanke seconded

Carried

4. SUSPENSION OF MEETING PROCEDURES

Cr Smith moved that pursuant to the powers contained at Paragraph 21 of the Local Government (Proceedings at Meetings) Regulations that the provisions of the said Regulations be suspended.

Cr Von Stanke seconded

Carried

The Meeting Procedures were suspended at 6.20 p.m.

5. RESUMPTION OF MEETING PROCEDURES

Cr Maher moved that the provisions of the Meeting Procedures be now resumed.

Cr Von Stanke seconded

Carried

The Meeting Procedures were resumed at 7.05 p.m.

6. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT 2014/15 BUSINESS PLAN AND BUDGET - Ref. AR13/457

The Director - Corporate Services reported:

- (a) A revised 2014/2015 Business Plan and Budget incorporating the proposed Budget amendments recorded at Schedule I would provide for the following estimates of expenditure and revenue:

	\$	
Required Rates	17,183,000	
Operating Revenue	5,934,000	
Less Operating Expenditure	<u>23,161,000</u>	
Operating Surplus / (-Deficit)	(44,000)	(Deficit)
Plus Non-Operating Revenue	9,118,000	
Less Non-Operating Expenditure	726,000	
Less Capital Expenditure	8,433,000	
Budget Cash Surplus / (-Deficit) as at 30 th June 2015	(85,000)	(Deficit)

Increase in rates of 4.8% would be required.

- (b) Schedule I provides for a range of adjustments required to negate the impact of anticipated lost operating revenue as a result of the recent Federal Budget (est. \$474,000);
- (c) Although Council's Budget now incorporates both an Operating deficit (\$44,000) and Cash deficit of (\$85,000), structurally the Draft Budget remains intact i.e.
- gross overall increase in general rates of 4.8%
 - loan revenue for Councils major capital works projects remains unchanged
- (d) If the amendments are accepted, the challenge for the administration will be to 'pick up' both the recorded Operating and Cash deficits during the course of the 2014/2015 financial year.

Cr Maher moved:

- (a) the report be received;
- (b) Council adopt the proposed amendments as recorded in the Schedule I, as presented.

Cr Von Stanke seconded

Carried

7. INFRASTRUCTURE - PUBLIC LIGHTING - BLUE LAKE WALKING PATH - Ref. AF11/1275

Cr Richardson moved that:

- (a) the proposed Blue Lake Walking Path public lighting budgetary item be further considered including options for funding;
- (b) a report be prepared for the next Budget meeting on the option for funding the Blue Lake lighting project.

Cr Von Stanke seconded

Carried

8. NEXT SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL - to consider draft 2014/15 Business Plan and Budget

Cr Von Stanke moved that a further Special Meeting of Council be held on Wednesday, 11th June 2014 at 6.00 p.m. to further consider the Draft 2014/15 Business Plan and Budget.

Cr White seconded

Carried

Meeting closed at 7.32 p.m.

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SCHEDULE I - PROPOSED ADJUSTMENTS

NO.	ACC. NO	DETAILS	OPERATING '000		NON-OPERATING '000			IMPACT ON BUDGET '000		
			EXP	REV	CAPITAL EXP	NON-OP EXP	NON-OP REV	OPERATING BALANCE	CASH BALANCE	OVERALL
-	-	2014/2015 DRAFT BUSINESS PLAN AND BUDGET	23,562	23,582	8,273	726	8,979	20	(20)	0
1	4120.0201	GRANTS COMMISSION - F.A.G.S. GRANT - REDUCED TO PREVIOUS YEARS AMOUNT		(275)				(255)		
2	4120.2020	GRANTS COMMISSION - LOCAL RDS - REDUCED TO PREVIOUS YEARS AMOUNT		(17)				(272)		
3	4120.0203	GRANTS COMMISSION - SUPP. LOCAL ROADS GRANT DELETED FROM BUDGET		(182)				(454)		
4	7900.3999	SPECIAL LOCAL ROAD GRANT ALLOCATION - GRAHAM ROAD			350		175		(195)	
5	7900.3999	COMMERCIAL STREET WEST - PROJECT DELETED			(175)				(20)	(474)
6	4112.0024	NRM LEVY - ADVISED OF ACTUAL ALLOCATION	4					(458)		
7	4100.0003	NRM LEVY - ADVISED OF ACTUAL ALLOCATION		4				(454)		
8	6350.0801	REGIONAL TOURISM - LATE ADVICE OF INCORRECT CALCULATION	2					(456)		
9	4162.0627	eWASTE REVENUE - UNDER BUDGETED		30				(426)		
10	6500.0968	CRATER LAKES TREE REMOVAL PROJECT - DELETED	(100)					(326)		
11	4170.0701	CRATER LAKES TREE REMOVAL PROJECT - PROCEEDS FROM TIMBER SALES		(20)				(346)		
12	6440.0932	STREET LIGHTING UPGRADES - DELETE WIRELESS ROAD EAST PROJECT	(30)					(316)		
13	6560.1042	DONATIONS - SPORT AND RECREATION MAJOR CAPITAL WORKS - REDUCED	(10)					(306)		
14	6100.0400	CRIME PREVENTION INTIATIVES - DELETE SECURITY FOOT PATROLS	(23)					(283)		
15	4130.0301	CRIME PREVENTION REVENUE - FROM LICENSEES FOR FOOT PATROLS		(5)				(288)		
16	6960.2000	INTEREST PAYABLE ON LOANS/TREASURY MANAGEMENT - REDUCED	(80)					(208)		
17	6530.1013	SPORT AND RECREATION FACILITIES - REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE	(8)					(200)		
18	6530.1006	OLYMPIC PARK MAINTENANCE - REDUCED	(5)					(195)		
19	6530.1012	VANSITTART PARK OVAL - REDUCED	(5)					(180)		
20	6530.1001	DIMJALLA PARK LEASE - REDUCED	(10)					(44)		
21	7680.5799	DOG PARK ESTABLISHMENT - REDUCED			(15)				(5)	
22	4280.1782	DEPRECIATION CHARGES - VARIOUS FACILITIES/INFRASTRUCTURE	(136)				(136)		(141)	
23	4270.0000	RESERVE FUNDS (WORK IN PROGRESS/CARRYOVER FUNDS) PLANT PURCHASES					100		(41)	(85)
		2014/2015 REVISED DRAFT BUSINESS PLAN AND BUDGET	23,161	23,117	8,433	726	9,118	(44)	(41)	(85)