# MINUTES OF CITY OF MOUNT GAMBIER SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, 10 WATSON TERRACE, MOUNT GAMBIER ON TUESDAY, 27 JUNE 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Lynette Martin (OAM), Cr Frank Morello, Cr Josh Lynagh, Cr Kate

Amoroso, Cr Mark Lovett, Cr Max Bruins, Cr Paul Jenner, Cr Sonya Mezinec,

Cr Jason Virgo

OFFICERS IN Chief Executive Officer - Mrs S Philpott
ATTENDANCE: General Manager City Infrastructure - Ms B Cernovskis

General Manager Corporate and Regulatory Services - Mrs J Fetherstonhaugh

General Manager City and Community Growth

Manager Financial Services
Revenue Coordinator

Media and Communications Coordinator
Communications Officer
Executive Administrator

- Mrs S La Greca
- Mrs J Scoggins
- Ms J Scheidl
- Ms S McLean
- Ms M Brookes
- Mrs A Pasquazzi

#### 1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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 FIRST NATIONS PEOPLES HAVE WITH THE LAND.

2 APOLOGIES

Nil

3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

#### 4 COUNCIL REPORTS

# 4.1 ADOPTION OF 2023/2024 ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN, BUDGET AND RATING POLICIES

## **RESOLUTION 2023/131**

Moved: Cr Max Bruins Seconded: Cr Frank Morello

- 1. That Council Report No. AR23/36267 titled 'Adoption of 2023/2024 Annual Business Plan, Budget and Rating Policies' as presented on 27 June 2023 be noted.
- 2. That Council, having considered the public submissions at the Special Council meeting on 20 June 2023 and the feedback provided at the Special Audit and Risk Committee on 5 June 2023, adopts the 2023/2024 Annual Business Plan and Budget and Rating Policies as attached to Report No. AR23/36267.

3. That Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer or Delegate to make any necessary changes to the 2023/2024 Annual Business Plan and Budget document arising from this meeting, together with any editorial amendments and finalisation of the document's formatting and graphic design that do not materially alter the integrity of the document.

**CARRIED** 

# 4.2 ADOPTION OF VALUATIONS AND RATES DECLARATION YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2024

#### **RESOLUTION 2023/132**

Moved: Cr Max Bruins Seconded: Cr Paul Jenner

- 1. That Council Report No. AR23/25655 titled 'Adoption of Valuations and Rates Declaration year ending 30 June 2024' as presented on 27 June 2023 be noted.
- 2. That, pursuant to Section 167(1) and (2) of the Local Government Act 1999 Council adopts, for rating purposes for the 2023/2024 financial year, the Valuer General's most recent valuations of the capital values applicable to land within the area of the Council, totalling \$5,939,212,560 and that the date of adoption of the valuations is 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2023.
- 3. That in exercise of the powers contained in Chapter 10 of the Local Government Act 1999, the attribution of the land uses in the Assessment Record for the 2023/2024 financial year will be in accordance with the categories of land use prescribed by Regulation 14 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2013.
- 4. That pursuant to Sections 152 (1)(c), 153 (1)(b) and 156 (1)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999 and in order to raise rates in the amount of \$22,168,610 the Council hereby declares that differential general rates will apply and will vary according to the use of the land and declares the differential general rates for rateable land within the Council area for the 2023/2024 financial year will be as follows:
  - (a) 0.191470 of a cent per dollar of assessed capital value on rateable land of land use category (a) 'Residential', category (g) 'Primary Production' and category (i) 'Other'; and
  - (b) 0.516970 of a cent per dollar of assessed capital value on rateable land of land use category (b) 'Commercial-Shop', category (c) 'Commercial Office', category (d) 'Commercial-Other', category (e) 'Industry-Light', category (f) 'Industry Other' and category (h) 'Vacant Land' use.
- 5. That pursuant to Section 152 (1)(c)(ii) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council declares in respect of the 2023/2024 financial year a fixed charge on rateable land within the Council area in the sum of \$566.60.
- 6. That pursuant to Section 155(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999 the Council imposes a Waste Service Charge of \$217.70 for the 2023/2024 financial year on all land to which it provides or makes available the prescribed service in order to raise the amount of \$3,097,000.
- 7. That in exercise of the powers contained in Section 69 of the Landscape South Australia Act 2019 and Section 154 of the Local Government Act 1999, in order to reimburse to the Council the amount contributed to the Limestone Coast Landscape Board, being \$1,351,252, differential separate rates based on a fixed charge of an amount that depends upon the use of the land on all rateable land in the Council's area and in the area of the said Board for the 2023/2024 financial year as follows:

- 1) \$88.10 per assessment on rateable land of category (a) 'Residential', category (h) 'Vacant Land' and category (i) 'Other';
- 2) \$130.10 per assessment on rateable land of category (b) 'Commercial-Shop', category (c) 'Commercial-Office' and category (d) 'Commercial-Other';
- 3) \$210.00 per assessment on rateable land of category (e) 'Industry-Light' and category (f) 'Industry-Other';
- 4) \$385.00 per assessment on rateable land of category (g) 'Primary Production'.
- 8. That pursuant to section 153 (3) of the Local Government Act 1999 and for the financial year ending 30 June 2024 but subject to the criteria set out in the Annual Business Plan 2023/2024 being met, the Council fixes a maximum increase to the general rate of 15% over the amount of the general rate liability for the 2022/2023 financial year in respect of any rateable land that constitutes the principal place of residence of a principal ratepayer and determines that any amount in excess of the 15% be remitted.
- 9. That pursuant to Section 181(2) of the Local Government Act 1999 the Council declares that quarterly payment of rates and charges in respect of the 2023/2024 financial year be payable on or before:
  - Friday, 8 September 2023
  - Friday, 8 December 2023
  - Friday, 8 March 2024
  - Friday, 7 June 2024

**CARRIED** 

### 4.3 ADOPTION OF LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN (LTFP) 2024-2033

#### **RESOLUTION 2023/133**

Moved: Cr Max Bruins Seconded: Cr Sonya Mezinec

- 1. That Council Report No. AR23/36339 titled 'Adoption of Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) 2024-2033' as presented on 27 June 2023 be noted.
- That Council notes the Audit and Risk Committee feedback as included in the report.
- 3. That Council adopt the Long Term Financial Plan 2024-2033 as attached to Report No. AR23/36339.
- 4. That Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer or Delegate to make any necessary changes to the Long Term Financial Plan 2024-33 document arising from this meeting, together with any editorial amendments and finalisation of the document's formatting and graphic design that do not materially alter the integrity of the document.

**CARRIED** 

Cr Kate Amoroso called a division.

The declaration was set aside. Voting by division being:

In Favour: Crs Frank Morello, Josh Lynagh, Mark Lovett, Max Bruins, Paul Jenner and Sonya

Mezinec

Against: Crs Kate Amoroso and Jason Virgo

The MAYOR declared the motion CARRIED 6/2

#### 4.4 ADOPTION OF INTERIM ASSET MANAGEMENT SUMMARY 2024-2033

#### RESOLUTION 2023/134

Moved: Cr Paul Jenner Seconded: Cr Max Bruins

- 1. That Council Report No. AR23/40455 titled 'Adoption of Interim Asset Management Summary 2024-2033' as presented on 27 June 2023 be noted.
- 2. That Council notes no public submissions were received on the Draft Interim Asset Management Summary 2024-2033.
- 3. That Council notes the Audit and Risk Committee feedback as included in this report.
- 4. That Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer to make any necessary changes to the Interim Asset Management Summary 2024-2033 document arising from this meeting, together with any editorial amendments and finalisation of the document's formatting and graphic design that do not materially alter the integrity of the document.

**CARRIED** 

## **5 MEETING CLOSE**

The Meeting closed at 6:16 pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting of the City of Mount Gambier held on 18 July 2023.

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	PRESIDING MEMBER	2