



Southern Grampians
SHIRE COUNCIL

Council Meeting Minutes

Special Meeting

21 June 2018

To be held at 5.30pm in the Hamilton
Library at 105 Brown Street, Hamilton

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The Meeting opened at 5.30pm

1. Present

Councillors

Cr Mary-Ann Brown – Mayor
Cr Chris Sharples – Deputy Mayor
Cr Cathy Armstrong
Cr Albert Calvano
Cr Colin Dunkley
Cr Greg McAdam
Cr Katrina Rainsford

Officers

Mr Michael Tudball – Chief Executive Officer
Ms Evelyn Arnold – Director Community and Corporate Services
Mr Michael McCarthy - Director Shire Futures
Mr David Moloney – Director Shire Infrastructure
Ms Megan Kruger – Governance Coordinator
Ms Belinda Johnson – Manager Finance

2. Acknowledgement of Country

The Mayor, Cr Brown, read the acknowledgement of country –

“Our meeting is being held on the traditional lands of the Gunditjmara, Tjap Wurrung and Bunganditj people.

I would like to pay my respects to their Elders, past and present, and the Elders from other communities who may be here today.”

3. Prayer

Cr Dunkley led the meeting in a prayer.

4. Apologies

None.

5. Declaration of Interest

Cr Rainsford declared an indirect conflict of interest in Item 6.1, but due to section 79C(2) of the Local Government Act 1989 was not required to leave the Chambers or abstain from voting on the Item.

6. Management Reports

6.1 2018/2019 Budget Submissions

Directorate: Michael Tudball, Chief Executive Office
Author: Belinda Johnson, Finance Manager
Attachments: 1 – 2018/2019 Budget Submissions

At its Meeting held on 9 May 2018 Council resolved to give notice of the preparation of the Draft Budget for 2018/2019.

In accordance with Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989 submissions were invited by placement of a notice in the Hamilton Spectator and on Council's website. The closing date for receipt of submissions was Tuesday 12 June 2018.

Ten submissions were received in response to the public notice advising of the preparation of the Draft Budget, Strategic Resource Plan and Pricing Register and these have been circulated to Councillors.

The submissions received commented on broad issues such as:

- Rate and revenue management,
- Funding of Councils programs and priorities as set in the Council Plan,
- Capital Works program and
- General financial management observations.

Specific items commented on within the submissions included (but limited to):

- Hamilton Botanic Gardens Plans & facilities
- Hamilton Regional Livestock Exchange
- Public Toilet facilities at Cavendish Recreation Reserve
- Hamilton Cox Street project
- Hamilton Pastoral & Agricultural Society Masterplan.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 223 the opportunity is provided for submitters to speak to their submission if they so choose.

The opportunity is to be provided at this meeting for submitters to address Council.

At the point in time of preparing the agenda, four people had indicated their intention to speak to their submissions.

Council will subsequently consider all submissions received and determine upon the adoption of the budget, with or without amendment, at a Special Meeting to be held on Wednesday 27 June 2018.

Disclosure of Interests

All Council Officers involved in the development and advice provided in this Report affirm that no direct or indirect interests need to be declared in relation to any matters in this Report.

RECOMMENDATION 1

That standing orders be suspended to allow the hearing of submissions in respect of the 2018/2019 Budget.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

MOVED: Cr Calvano
SECONDED: Cr McAdam

That standing orders be suspended to allow the hearing of submissions in respect of the 2018/2019 Budget.

CARRIED

RECOMMENDATION 2

That standing orders be resumed.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

MOVED: Cr Calvano
SECONDED: Cr Sharples

That standing orders be resumed.

CARRIED

RECOMMENDATION 3

That following consideration of all submissions received, Council consider:

- a) Adoption of the 2018/2019 Budget
- b) Declaration of rates and charges for 2018/2019
- c) Adoption of the Strategic Resource Plan 2018/2019
- d) Adoption of the Pricing Register for 2018/2019

at a Special Meeting of Council to be held on Wednesday 27 June 2018, commencing at 5.30pm.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

MOVED: Cr Sharples
SECONDED: Cr Rainsford

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CARRIED

7. Close of Meeting

This concludes the business of the meeting.

Meeting closed at 6.14pm.

Confirmed by resolution this 11th day of July 2018.

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Chairman