

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF MARANOA REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD AT ROMA ADMINISTRATION CENTRE ON 13 MAY 2020 COMMENCING AT 9.09AM

ATTENDANCE

Mayor Cr. T D Golder chaired the meeting with, Deputy Mayor Cr. G B McMullen, Cr. J R P Birkett, Cr. M C Edwards, Cr. J L Guthrie, Cr. J M Hancock, Cr. W L Ladbrook, Cr. C J O'Neil, Cr. W M Taylor, Chief Executive Officer – Julie Reitano, and Minutes Officer – Kelly Rogers in attendance.

AS REQUIRED

Deputy Chief Executive Officer/Director Development, Facilities & Environmental Services – Rob Hayward, Director Corporate & Community Services – Sharon Frank, Deputy Director Infrastructure Services / Strategic Road Management – Cameron Hoffmann, Manager Facilities (Land, Buildings & Structures) – Tanya Mansfield, Manager Airports (Roma, Injune, Surat, Mitchell) – Ben Stewart, Manager Economic & Community Development – Ed Sims, Manager Planning & Building Development – Danielle Pearn, Manager Saleyards – Paul Klar, Manager Community Safety – Samantha Thrupp, Operations Manager Plant, Fleet & Workshops – David Parker, Lead Rates and Utilities Billing Officer/Systems Administrator – Dana Harrison, Regional Tourism Development Coordinator – Justine Miller, Rates & Utilities Billing Officer – Linda Acutt, Rates & Utilities Billing Officer – Catherine (Katie) Ballard, Environment, Health & Waste Officer – Bob Campbell, Rural Land Services & Funding Officer / Team Coordinator – Kent Morris.

WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed all present and declared the meeting open at 9.09am.

APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for the meeting.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/01

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr O'Neil

The confirmation of the ordinary minutes of the 22 April 2020 with the following addition that in regards to the remuneration which is the resolution from Item 10.3 from the last meeting that it includes the amounts:

That Council:

- 1. Note the findings of the Local Government Remuneration Commission review.**
- 2. Set the remuneration of the Mayor, Deputy and Councillors at current levels after July 1st 2020 for a period of twelve (12) months **as:****
 - Mayor \$130,584**
 - Deputy Mayor \$ 81,615**
 - Councillor \$ 69,372**

For completeness.

[Item 10.3 – Local Government Remuneration Commission Schedule – Commencing 1 July 2020 Resolution No. OM/04.2020/07]

And:

Item C.12 – Dispute of Water [Access] Infrastructure Charges – Assessment 130273 [intended 13002738]

That:

1. Council, in accordance with Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 120 (1) (c), grant a concession (hardship concession) for the Water Access Infrastructure Charge effective from 1 July 2019.

2. The concession is provided to the current owner/s only for the time they own the property.

The difference there is that it is just back to 2019 because the customer has paid.

[Resolution No. OM/04.2020/31]

CARRIED

9/0

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Cr Edwards foreshadowed that he had interest in two items, C.20 and C.21.

| Item | Title |
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| C.20 | Negotiations for Airline Relief due to COVID-19 |
| C.21 | Roma and Surat Aerodrome Compliance Inspection Reports |

Cr. Edwards proposed to stay in the meeting.

He explained that the details of the nature of interest was due to:

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| Nature of the personal interest | Member of the Roma Aero Club Inc. |
| Name of the other person if the personal interest arises because of a relationship or receipt of a gift | Roma Aero Club Inc. |
| Nature of the relationship or value and date of receipt of the gift | Member of the lease from the Maranoa Regional Council with the Aero Club and we may or may not have provision of grants funds returned in the past and might have in the future. |
| The nature of the other person's interests in the matter (that's the Aero Club Inc) | The club that the member belongs to is the lessor and potential provider of funds. |

Cr. Edwards declared that: *this personal interest is not of sufficient significance that it will lead me to making a decision on the matter that is contrary to the public interest. I will best perform my responsibility of serving the overall public interest of the whole of the Council area by participating in the discussion and voting on the matter.*

However, I acknowledge that the remaining councillors must now determine pursuant to section 175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009:

- (a) *Whether I have a real conflict of interest in this matter or a perceived conflict of interest in this matter; and*
- (b) *If so, whether:*
 - I. *I must leave the meeting while this matter is discussed or voted on; or*
 - II. *I may participate in the meeting in relation to the matter, including by voting on the matter.*

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/02
Moved Cr O'Neil
Seconded Cr McMullen

That Cr Edwards has a perceived 'Conflict of Interest' in the matter and, notwithstanding the conflict, Cr Edwards may participate in the matter, discuss and vote upon it.

CARRIED
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Cr Edwards did not vote on this motion as he was the declaring Councillor under consideration in this matter.

[C.21]

The Mayor asked if Cr Edwards had another one, and discussion ensued to seek clarification. In summary, Council ultimately settled on the above item relating to C.21 following further advice from the Mover. Cr Edwards believed that his declaration related to both items C.20 and C.21. The Mayor thought it best to do them separately in line with what the mover said he moved on.

Item C.20

Cr Edwards declared a 'Conflict of Interest' and proposed to stay in the meeting.

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| Nature of the interest | Member of the Roma Aero Club Inc. |
| Name of the other person | Roma Aero Club Inc. |
| Nature of the relationship | Member of the Roma Aero Club and the Roma Aero Club have a lease with the Maranoa Regional Council and have had the provision of grant funds in the past and may have in the future. |
| The nature of the other person's interests in the matter | The club that the member belongs to / Maranoa Regional Council is the lessor and potential provider of funds. |

Cr Edwards declared that: *this personal interest is not of sufficient significance that it will lead me to making a decision on the matter that is contrary to the public interest. I will best perform my responsibility of serving the overall public interest of the whole of the Council area by participating in the discussion and voting on the matter.*

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- (b) *If so, whether:*
 - I. *I must leave the meeting while this matter is discussed or voted on; or*
 - II. *I may participate in the meeting in relation to the matter, including by voting on the matter.*

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/03
Moved Cr O'Neil
Seconded Cr Edwards

The Cr Edwards has a perceived 'Conflict of Interest' in the matter and, notwithstanding the conflict, Cr Edwards may participate in the matter, discuss and vote upon it.

[C.20]
CARRIED
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Cr Edwards did not vote on this motion as he was the declaring Councillor under consideration in this matter.

Cr Birkett

| Item | Title |
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| C.8 | Community Newsletter – Bottle Tree Bulletin |
| C.14 | Mitchell RSL and Combined Sports Club Inc |

Cr Birkett foreshadowed that he had interest in two items, C.8 and C.14.

Cr Birkett was unsure as to which declaration he should make, but clarified that he was an executive member of both the Booringa Action Group and the Mitchell RSL and Combined Sports Club.

Councillors discussed that they could not provide legal advice, but recommended erring on the side of caution by leaving the meeting when these items were discussed. Cr. Birkett indicated that it was his intent (to leave the meeting) however he was again uncertain of what declaration he would make.

Cr Birkett declared a 'Conflict of Interest' in Item C.8 and advised that he was an executive member of the Booringa Action Group and they were again in negotiations with the Bottle Tree Bulletin and so it was in his best interest to remove himself from the room for those discussions.

Cr Birkett advised this was the same (declaration, being 'Conflict of Interest'), for Item C.14, as he was the president of the Mitchell RSL and Combined Sports Club Inc. and foreshadowed that he would be leaving the room for that discussion as well.

Cr Hancock

| Item | Title |
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| C.24 | Establishment of Cadetship |

Cr Hancock declared that she had a 'Conflict of Interest' in this matter as defined by section 175D of the *Local Government Act 2009* as follows for Item C.24 – Establishment of Cadetship, as she has a close association with the trainee's family, and therefore foreshadowed that she would be dealing with this conflict of interest by leaving the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on.

Cr O'Neil

| Item | Title |
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| 10.1 | Election of the Local Government Association of Queensland's (LGAQ) Policy Executive District 5 Ballot |

Cr O'Neil declared a 'Material Personal Interest' in Item 10.1, as his name is on the ballot for the election of the Local Government Association of Queensland and foreshadowed that he would be dealing with this matter by leaving the room.

Cr O'Neil indicated that while he was being overly cautious, he declared a perceived (then clarified) a 'Conflict of Interest' in Item C.20 for the negotiations for airline relief as he is a member of the airline in question, and he foreshadowed that notwithstanding this conflict he believed he could act in the best interest of the region, and would leave it to the meeting to decide whether he would stay in the room or not.

Mayor Golder asked if this was a loyalty program (the nature of his conflict), and Cr O'Neil confirmed that yes, this was the case.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/04
Moved Cr McMullen
Seconded Cr Birkett

The Cr O'Neil does not have either a real 'Conflict of Interest' or a perceived 'Conflict of Interest' in the matter and, is accordingly free to participate in the meeting while this matter is discussed, including by voting on the matter.

CARRIED
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Cr O'Neil did not vote on this motion as he was the declaring Councillor under consideration in this matter.

Cr Ladbrook

| Item | Title |
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| C.22 | Unnamed Section of Road off Humphreys Road |
| 1.1 | Request to Purchase New Broom for the Roma Racetrack |

Cr Ladbrook declared of a 'Conflict of Interest' with Item C.22, which is the Humphrey's family of which he is a brother-in-law. Cr Ladbrook advised that he would deal with this matter by leaving the meeting.

Cr Ladbrook declared a 'Conflict of Interest' with the Roma Turf Club, agenda number labelled 1.1 / 14.1, and that he would be dealing with this matter by leaving the room.

Mayor Tyson Golder

| Item | Title |
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| 10.6 of the Ordinary Meeting on 22 April 2020 (laid on the table at that meeting) | Position of Chief Executive Officer |
| LC.4 | Contract Matter – Chief Executive Officer |

Mayor, Cr Golder declared as follows: *a 'Conflict of Interest' given correspondence received by me and I inform the meeting that I may have a personal interest in the matter given that complaints have been made to the OIA about me, and that I will be dealing with this by leaving the room and having no part in the discussions in relation to Item 10.6.*

Also, LC.4 – Contract Matter, I will also be declaring a 'Conflict of Interest' given the correspondence received by me and I inform the meeting that I may have a personal interest in the matter given the complaints that have been made to the OIA about me. I will be dealing with this by leaving the room and having no part in any discussions.

Cr. O'Neil asked Mayor Golder about item 10.6, indicating he did not have Item 10.6 in his papers. Mayor Golder confirmed that item 10.6 was the item laid on the table at the previous meeting.

Cr. O'Neil also enquired in regard to the requirement once a declaration had been made by a Councillor, did it need to be declared again or was it on a register of declarations and did not need to be again declared. The Chief Executive Officer clarified that at this point in time declarations by Councillors had to be declared each time (when placed on an agenda), and advised Councillors that if this is changed in future, confirming information would be provided to Council.

Further discussion ensued surrounding declarations made initially at the meeting, confirming that the full declaration was not required later during the meeting when that item was indicated for next discussion.

ON THE TABLE

Mayor Golder, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' in the following item for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 9.30am, taking no part in discussion or debate on the matter.

The Deputy Mayor took the role of Acting Chair in the Mayor's absence.

Item Number: 10.6
Ordinary Meeting 22 April 2020

File Number: D20/33696

SUBJECT HEADING: POSITION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Councillor's Title: Cr. Geoff McMullen

Executive Summary:

With commencement of the new term of Council a report was presented at the Ordinary Meeting on 22 April 2020 providing the opportunity for Council to consider the Chief Executive Officer position.

At that meeting Council resolved to lay the item on the table to the next meeting / for a future meeting. (OM/04.2020/13).

Cr O'Neil advised that it had been conditioned on questions of legal advice being provided to Council, Cr. O'Neil did not receive any legal advice. Cr. McMullen confirmed that it was his understanding that the Mayor had not yet received his legal advice on the matter.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/05

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Guthrie

That Item Number 10.6 of Council's Meeting of 22 April 2020 be taken from the table.

CARRIED

8/0

SUBJECT HEADING: POSITION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/06

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Edwards

That in relation to Item Number 10.6 of Council's Meeting of 22 April 2020, Council consents to the motion taken from the table (described in Council's Meeting Minutes of 22 April 2020 as 'Resolution No. OM/04.2020/10') being withdrawn.

NO VOTE TAKEN

[Not vote was taken on the draft motion and a number of potential amendments to the draft motion were discussed at length in light of a letter referred to by Councillors collectively but received individually (as indicated through Council's discussion), from the Crime and Corruption Commission seeking advice from Councillors on actions that had been taken by Council in regard to this matter.]

Discussion ensued about how best to approach the letter's preparation and its signing.

Cr McMullen suggested something to the effect of:

That Council approve for the Deputy Chair to sign the letter and to let them know the outcome and the procedures that went on, and that it be circulated to all Councillors prior to signing.

Further discussion ensued about wording such as a listing of events or actions in lieu of the word outcome.

During the discussions, the Chief Executive Officer offered to Council that she step out for this item and for the Deputy Chief Executive Officer to step in if Council would feel more comfortable about that. Council, and the Acting Chair, felt that there was no reason for that as it was intended to be a factual account of the steps taken about a matter that was in the open agenda.

At the conclusion of those discussions Council determined that the original draft motion as put would be voted on.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/07

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Edwards

That in relation to Item Number 10.6 of Council's Meeting of 22 April 2020, Council consents to the motion taken from the table (described in Council's Meeting Minutes of 22 April 2020 as 'Resolution No. OM/04.2020/10') being withdrawn.

CARRIED

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It was the confirmed that an item be considered later in the meeting.

During the discussion on the below item, the Chief Executive Officer advised Council that she would step out when the discussions occur if they didn't mind. She felt that it would be the appropriate thing to do, and that will allow Councillors to speak freely, and the Deputy Chief Executive Officer would be present.

Following further discussion, the following motion was then put, with the outcome recorded as follows:

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/08

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Taylor

That Council add this item to the agenda, and the item be titled – Correspondence to Crime and Corruption Commission / Preparation of letter in response to Item 10.6 of Council's meeting of the 22 April 2020).

[This motion is in regard to the Position of Chief Executive Officer. Wording of this motion was amended a number of times during discussion]

[Refer to Item LC.5 of these minutes]

CARRIED

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There was discussion about whether or not the item should be in closed, or who would be drafting the letter.

The Acting Chair suggested that the matter of open or closed be left to later in the meeting.

Discussion ensued, with the final procedural motion being put as follows.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/09

Moved Cr McMullen

That the matter lay on the table for further consideration at a later point during the meeting.

CARRIED

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At cessation of discussion and debate on the abovementioned item, Mayor Golder returned to the Chamber, assuming the Chair at 10.00am.

BUSINESS

OFFICE OF THE CEO

Cr. O'Neil, having previously foreshadowed a 'Material Personal Interest' in the following item for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 10.01am, taking no part in discussions and debate on the matter.

Item Number: 10.1

File Number: D20/39533

SUBJECT HEADING:

ELECTION OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND'S (LGAQ) POLICY EXECUTIVE DISTRICT 5 BALLOT

Officer's Title:

Lead Officer - Elected Members & Community Engagement

Executive Summary:

At the Post Election Meeting on 16 April 2020, Councillors resolved not to nominate a representative for the Local Government Association of Queensland's (LGAQ) Policy Executive 2020 – 2024 for District No.05 – South West.

LGAQ has written to Council to advise that as more than one nomination for District No.05 was received, an election by ballot has been called. Council was asked to consider its voting position.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/10

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Taylor

That:

- 1. Council support Cr Robyn Fuhmeister in the election / ballot for the Local Government Association of Queensland's (LGAQ) Policy Executive 2020 – 2024 for the District No. 05 – South West representative.**
- 2. Councillors be provided with a copy of the final ballot, and confirmation that the ballot has been sent and received.**

CARRIED

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[Wording amended by Cr McMullen from his original motion following a proposed amendment from the Mayor (the inclusion of point 2 – photos and confirmation suggested by the Mayor), which the 'Mover' and 'Seconder' confirmed they were happy to accept after amendments]

Cr. Golder called for a division of the vote. The outcomes were recorded as follows:

| Those in Favour of the Motion | Those Against the Motion |
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| Cr. Birkett | Cr. Hancock |
| Cr. Edwards | |
| Cr. Golder | |
| Cr. Guthrie | |
| Cr. Ladbrook | |
| Cr. McMullen | |
| Cr. Taylor | |

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| Responsible Officer | Lead Officer - Elected Members & Community Engagement |
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At cessation of discussion and debate on the abovementioned item, Cr. O'Neil returned to the Chamber at 10.11am.

INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

Item Number: 12.1 **File Number:** D20/30268

SUBJECT HEADING: **NOMINATION OF PROJECTS FOR FUNDING UNDER AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT'S HEAVY VEHICLE SAFETY AND PRODUCTIVITY PROGRAM**

Officer's Title: **Deputy Director / Strategic Road Management Program Funding & Budget Coordinator**

Executive Summary:

Maranoa Regional Council is eligible to apply for funding under Round 7 of the Australian Government's Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program (HVSPP).

This report provided an overview of the program, including funding commitment requirements, and lists a number of potential projects that Council may consider for a funding application under the program.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/11

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Golder

That Council:

- Submit an application under Round 7 of the Australian Government's Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program (HVSPP) for:**
 - No. 1 – Roma Saleyards – Primaries Road Extension (Estimated total cost \$1,350,000) and;**
 - Project 2 – Heavy Vehicle Route Upgrade – Creek Street Amby (Estimated total cost \$315,000).**
- Endorse that a 50% co-contribution of the project budget is included in the 2020/21 budget, which is equivalent to \$675,000 for Project 1 – Primaries Road Extension and \$157,500 for Project 2 – Heavy Vehicle Route Upgrade – Creek Street Amby.**
- Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to sign the submission form, any further agreements with the Australian Government and supplementary documentation that may be required for these projects if successful.**

CARRIED

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[Wording amended by Cr O'Neil from his original motion following a proposed amendment from the Mayor (to include Project 2 – Heavy Vehicle Route Upgrade – Creek Street Amby), which the 'Mover' confirmed he was happy to include, as well as clarifying suggestions from the CEO].

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| Responsible Officer | Deputy Director / Strategic Road Management |
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Item Number: 12.2 **File Number:** D20/39596

SUBJECT HEADING: MASTER BUILDERS AWARDS - NOMINATION OF ROMA SALEYARDS MULTI PURPOSE FACILITY

Officer's Title: Deputy Director / Strategic Road Management
Senior Engineer

Executive Summary:

J Hutchinson Builders Pty Ltd have requested permission to submit the Roma Saleyards Multipurpose Facility Project as an entry to the 2020 Downs and Western Region Master Builders Awards, in the category Community Service Facilities / Tourism & Leisure Facilities up to \$10M, which is now open for entries.

The recently completed Roma Saleyards Multipurpose Facility Project has been identified as demonstrating the criteria for top honours in the above mentioned categories, which if successful, will progress it to the State Awards for consideration.

Principal Contractor J Hutchinson Builders Pty Ltd will be submitting the entry provided Council's permission is received. Entries for this Award close on 22 May 2020.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/12

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Golder

That Council:

- 1. Permit the submission by J Hutchinson Builders Pty Ltd for the entry of the Roma Saleyards Multipurpose Facility Project in the 2020 Downs and Western Region Master Builders Awards, in the category Community Service Facilities / Tourism & Leisure Facilities up to \$10 million.**
- 2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to sign the Owner's Authorisation Form required for the submission.**

CARRIED

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Cr. Golder called for a division of the vote. The outcomes were recorded as follows:

| Those in Favour of the Motion | Those Against the Motion |
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| Cr. Birkett | Cr. McMullen |
| Cr. Edwards | |
| Cr. Golder | |
| Cr. Guthrie | |
| Cr. Hancock | |
| Cr. Ladbroke | |
| Cr. O'Neil | |
| Cr. Taylor | |

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| Responsible Officer | Deputy Director / Strategic Road Management |
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DEVELOPMENT, FACILITIES & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Item Number: 13.1 File Number: D20/36752

SUBJECT HEADING: EASTER IN THE COUNTRY SPONSORSHIP 2020

Officer's Title: Regional Tourism Development Coordinator

Executive Summary:

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic Easter in the Country was forced to cancel the 2020 Easter in the Country Festival on 18 March 2020, just three weeks prior to the event. The cancellation was due to Federal and State Government directives that all non-essential travel be cancelled and social gatherings must be limited to two people in order to stop the spread of coronavirus.

However, all marketing costs had already been incurred by the volunteer not-for-profit Committee prior to the cancellation on the event so they were requesting that Council still honour the sponsorship arrangement for 2020.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/13

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr O'Neil

That Council uphold the request to the Easter in the Country Committee for the sponsorship arrangement for 2020 in the amount of \$15,000 cash sponsorship.

[Wording amended by Cr McMullen from his original motion following a suggestion from Cr O'Neil to include the dollar value of the sponsorship, which the 'Mover' indicated he was happy to include. Cr Hancock also suggested inclusion of the word 'cash' which was also accepted]

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer

Regional Tourism Development Coordinator

Item Number: 13.2

File Number: D20/37288

SUBJECT HEADING: COVID-19 UPDATE FROM MARANOA LOCAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT GROUP

Author Title: Associate to the Director / Directorate Budget & Emergency Management Coordination

Executive Summary:

This report was to provide an update to the Councillors regarding the Maranoa Local Disaster Management Group response and actions in relation the COVID-19 pandemic.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/14

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr Edwards

That Council receive and note the Officer's report as presented.

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer

Associate to the Director / Directorate Budget & Emergency Management Coordination

Item Number: 13.3 **File Number:** D20/37574
SUBJECT HEADING: REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP
Officer's Title: Local Development Officer - Mitchell
 Specialist - Arts & Culture

Executive Summary:

The Management committee for the Maranoa Arts Gateway in Mitchell approached Council seeking sponsorship of \$500 to assist with the delivery of a South West Queensland Virtual Exhibition. This will allow the Virtual Exhibition to obtain sponsorship for prizes for entrants in specific categories during COVID-19.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/15

Moved Cr Golder

That the matter lay on the table for further consideration at a later point during the meeting for more information.

[Additional information requested included clarification of members of the management committee, in order for Councillors to consider any potential conflicts. Cr Hancock sought further information at the time clarifying proposed financial arrangements for the recommendation.]

CARRIED

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Item Number: 13.4 **File Number:** D20/37730
SUBJECT HEADING: SUCCESSFUL FUNDING APPLICATION UNDER
 RESOURCE RECOVERY INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT
 PROGRAM - ROMA WASTE FACILITY RING ROAD
 PROJECT
Officer's Title: Manager - Environment, Health, Waste & Rural Land
 Services

Executive Summary:

Council submitted a funding application under the Resource Recovery Industry Development Program to complete the Roma Waste Facility Ring Road Project. This application was successful and we now seek approval for the Chief Executive Officer or delegate authority to sign the funding agreement.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/16

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Hancock

That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer, or delegate, to sign funding agreements as required and associated project documentation.

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer

**Manager - Environment, Health, Waste &
Rural Land Services**

Cr. Ladbroke, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' in the following item [Labelled item 1.1 / 14.1] for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 10.58am, taking no part in discussions and debate on the matter.

Item Number: 14.1 **File Number:** D20/37667

SUBJECT HEADING: REQUEST TO PURCHASE NEW BROOM FOR THE ROMA RACETRACK

Officer's Title: Mayor

Executive Summary:

Mayor Golder advised that he had received information from users of the Roma Turf Club for Council to consider purchasing a new broom for the racetrack doubling the width of the current broom to increase productivity and reduce the time taken to complete the task.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/17

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr McMullen

That a report be prepared for an upcoming Council meeting.

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer

Manager Facilities (Land, Buildings & Structures)

COUNCIL ADJOURNED THE MEETING

FOR MORNING TEA AT 11.00AM

Cr. Ladbroke returned to the meeting room during recess

SUBJECT HEADING: RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

COUNCIL RESUMED THE MEETING IN CLOSED SESSION AT 11.35AM

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Cr Hancock

| Item | Title |
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| C.7 | Council News – May Edition Review |
| C.8 | Community Newsletter – Bottle Tree Bulletin |

Cr. Hancock declared a 'Conflict of Interest' in the matter of Item C.7 – Council News - May Edition Review, confirming that while she did not have a conflict with the newsletter, she noted that the report said the newsletter would be posted, and advised that her family owns a post office business.

Cr Hancock foreshadowed that she would deal with this conflict by leaving the room while the matter is discussed and voted on.

Cr. Hancock declared a 'Conflict of Interest' in the matter of C.8 – Community Newsletter – Bottle Tree Bulletin. Cr. Hancock further indicated that even though she did not have a direct conflict with the Bottle Tree Bulletin, with the distribution of same via a post office she might have a conflict.

Cr Hancock foreshadowed that she would deal with this conflict by leaving the room while the matter was discussed and voted on.

Cr O'Neil

| Item | Title |
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| C.24 | Establishment of Cadetship |

Cr. O'Neil declared a 'Conflict of Interest in Item C.24 – Establishment of Cadetship, due to an entity for which he is a non-executive Director being referenced in the report, and further that whilst this was not directly pertaining to the recommendation, given it was referenced, he wished to declare it.

Cr. O'Neil foreshadowed that he believed he could stay in the room and vote on the matter, but he would put to Council that decision.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/18

Moved Cr McMullen

That Cr. O'Neil does not have either a real 'Conflict of Interest' or a perceived 'Conflict of Interest' in the matter and accordingly is free to participate in the meeting while the matter is discussed including voting on the matter.

NO VOTE TAKEN

[No vote was taken at that time, following further discussion, from which agreement was gained that the declaration would be re-visited, pending further advice, at a later point during the meeting when the item was again introduced]

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

In accordance with the provisions of section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council resolved to close the meeting to discuss items C.1 – C.28, and LC.1 – LC.5 which it has deemed to be of a confidential nature and specifically pertaining to the following sections:

- (a) the appointment, dismissal or discipline of employees;
- (b) industrial matters affecting employees;
- (c) the local government budget;
- (e) rating concessions;
- (h) other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage;

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/19

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Birkett

That Council close the meeting to the public (11.44am)

CARRIED

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**COUNCIL ADJOURNED THE MEETING
FOR LUNCH AT 12.59PM**

SUBJECT HEADING: RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS
COUNCIL RESUMED THE MEETING IN CLOSED SESSION AT 2.04PM

The Chief Executive Officer returned to the meeting at 2.05pm.

Cr. Hancock, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' for Items C.7 and C.8 for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 2.20pm, taking no part in discussions on these matters.

Cr. Birkett, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' for Item C.8 for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 2.31pm, taking no part in discussions on these matters.

At cessation of discussion in relation to Items C.7 and C.8, Cr. Hancock returned to the meeting at 2.42pm.

At cessation of discussion in relation to Item C.8 Cr. Birkett returned to the meeting at 2.42pm.

Cr. Birkett, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' for Item C.14 for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 2.52pm, taking no part in discussions on this matter.

At cessation of discussion in relation to Item C.14, Cr Birkett returned to the meeting at 2.54pm.

Cr. O'Neil left the meeting at 4.19pm, and returned at 4.31pm.

Cr. Ladbrook, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' for Item C.22 for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 4.24pm, taking no part in discussions on this matter.

**COUNCIL ADJOURNED THE MEETING
FOR A BRIEF RECESS AT 4.59PM**

**SUBJECT HEADING: RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS
COUNCIL RESUMED THE MEETING IN CLOSED SESSION AT 5.08PM**

Cr Edwards was not present at the resumption of Standing Orders

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/20

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council open the meeting to the public (5.10pm).

CARRIED

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Cr. Edwards returned to the meeting at 5.11pm.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/21

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council close the meeting to the public (5.12pm).

CARRIED

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Cr. Hancock, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' for Item C.24 left the room at 5.13pm, taking no part in discussion or debate on the matter.

Mayor Golder, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' for Items LC.5 and LC.4 for the reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 5.51pm, taking no part in discussion or debate on the matters.

The Deputy Mayor took the role of Acting Chair in the Mayor's absence.

The Chief Executive Officer also left the meeting at 5.51pm having previously foreshadowed that she would remove herself from discussions when this matter was again introduced. The Deputy Chief Executive Officer, took the role of 'Acting CEO' in the Chief Executive Officer's absence.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/22

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr O'Neil

That Council open the meeting to the public (6.34pm).

CARRIED

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The Mayor did not return to the meeting, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' in the following item for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 5.51pm, taking no part in discussion or debate on the matter.

The Chief Executive Officer did not return to the meeting for the following two (2) separate items as they both pertained to the Chief Executive Officer.

LATE CONFIDENTIAL AGENDA

Item Number:

LC.5

File Number: N/a

SUBJECT HEADING:

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER CONTRACT –
PREPARATION OF LETTER OF RESPONSE /
CORRESPONDENCE TO CRIME & CORRUPTION
COMMISSION (CCC)**

[TITLE AMENDED ON RE-INTRODUCTION OF TOPIC]

Councillor's Title:

Cr. Geoff McMullen

Executive Summary:

Earlier during the meeting, Council further discussed the preparation of a letter addressed to the CCC regarding Item 10.6 of Council's Meeting of 22 April 2020. This item was laid on the table earlier during the meeting. Council resumed deliberations.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/23

Moved Cr Birkett

Seconded Cr Edwards

That Council endorse the following letter of response regarding the received request from the Crime & Corruption Commission as follows:

"Dear Mr MacSporran,

We are writing to you as Councillors of the Maranoa Regional Council who have received emails on Monday 11 May 2020 individually regarding Complaint Regarding Proposed Action in Relation to the Chief Executive Officer's Contract.

At Council's Ordinary meeting held on Wednesday 13 May 2020, the following motions were tabled:

That Item Number 10.6 of Council's Meeting of 22 April 2020 (minutes attached) be taken from the table.

That in relation to Item Number 10.6 of Council's Meeting of 22 April 2020, Council consents to the motion taken from the table (described in Council's Meeting Minutes of 22 April 2020 as 'Resolution No. OM/04.2020/10) being withdrawn.

Yours sincerely

Councillor G.B. McMullen
 Deputy Mayor
 Maranoa Regional Council"

CARRIED

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| Responsible Officer | Acting Chair – Cr Geoff McMullen |
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Item Number: LC.4 File Number: D20/40940

SUBJECT HEADING: CONTRACT MATTER - CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Officer's Title: Chief Executive Officer

Executive Summary:

The report tabled a letter from Council's Chief Executive Officer, Ms Julie Reitano.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/24

Moved Cr Taylor

Seconded Cr Guthrie

That Council:

1. Accept the variation as proposed by the Chief Executive Officer, including the next performance review date of 18 November 2020.
2. Authorise the Mayor to sign the variance on behalf of Council.

CARRIED

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| Responsible Officer | Mayor |
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At cessation of discussion on the abovementioned item, Mayor Golder returned to the Chamber at 6.42pm and assumed the Chair.

The Chief Executive Officer returned to the Chamber at 6.42pm.

Cr. Edwards returned to the meeting at 6.43pm.

OTHER CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Item Number: C.1 File Number: D20/33702

SUBJECT HEADING: COVID-19 EXPANDED SUPPORT PACKAGE - RETICULATED NATURAL GAS CUSTOMERS

Officer's Title: Rates & Utilities Billing Officer

Executive Summary:

At the Ordinary meeting on 18 March 2020, Council endorsed an initial support package for the community in response to the unfolding COVID-19 pandemic - Resolution No. GM/03.2020/80.

This report proposed to continue and expand the support package for reticulated natural gas customers during this time.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/25

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Hancock

That Council:

1. Endorse no gas disconnections for non-payment until 31 July 2020.
2. Waive reconnection fees for small businesses (commercial customers) that have ceased operation, until 31 July 2020.
3. Pause all debt recovery for outstanding gas accounts until 31 July 2020.
4. Remove all minimum charges for small businesses (commercial customers), only charging consumption, until 31 July 2020.
5. Review domestic customers, on a case by case basis, for removal of minimum charges, where they can demonstrate they are in financial hardship due to COVID-19 and are unable to receive assistance through the Queensland Government Home Energy Emergency Assistance Scheme.
6. Review the support package in accordance with any further advice received from the Australian Energy Regulator.
7. Issue a letter reminding customers of what assistance is available to unpaid customers after due date of current accounts.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Rates & Utilities Billing Officer

Item Number: C.2 File Number: D20/36923

SUBJECT HEADING: RECONSIDER APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY ORGANISATION CONCESSION - ASSESSMENT 14000087

Officer's Title: Lead Rates and Utilities Billing Officer / Systems Administrator

Executive Summary:

An application for Rates and Water Access Concession for Community Organisations was previously received and considered at a prior Council meeting. Upon requesting feedback from the applicant, this matter was tabled for Council's further consideration.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/26

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Golder

That Council:

1. Grant the applicant a “Concession Class B” concession in accordance with the Community Organisations – Rates and Charges Rebates and Concessions policy effective from 1 July 2019.
2. Request the applicant advise Council if their commercial (rental / lease) arrangements change.

[Wording amended by Cr McMullen from his original motion following a suggestion from Mayor Golder, Cr O’Neil and Cr Birkett].

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

**Lead Rates and Utilities Billing Officer /
Systems Administrator**

Item Number:

C.3

File Number: D20/38760

SUBJECT HEADING:

**APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY ORGANISATION
CONCESSION - ASSESSMENT 13002852**

Officer’s Title:

**Lead Rates and Utilities Billing Officer / Systems
Administrator**

Executive Summary:

An application for Rates and Water Access Concession for Community Organisations has been received for Council’s consideration.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/27

Moved Cr Guthrie

Seconded Cr Ladbrook

That Council grant the applicant a “Concession Class C” concession in accordance with the Community Organisations – Rates and Charges Rebates and Concessions policy effective from 1 January 2020.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

**Lead Rates and Utilities Billing Officer /
Systems Administrator**

Item Number:

C.4

File Number: D20/39844

SUBJECT HEADING:

**COVID-19 EXPANDED SUPPORT PACKAGE - RATES
RELIEF**

Officer’s Title:

Rates & Utilities Billing Officer

Executive Summary:

At the Council meeting on 18 March 2020, Council endorsed an initial support package for the community in response to the unfolding COVID-19 pandemic - Resolution No. GM/03.2020/80.

This report proposed to continue and expand the support package for rates relief for ratepayers during this time.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/28

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council:

1. Resolve to extend the current pause on external debt recovery (all outstanding rates and charges) to 31 July 2020.
2. Resolve to waive all interest payable between 26 February 2020 and 31 July 2020 on overdue rates or charges for all rateable land within the Council's local government area – estimated to be valued at approximately \$105,000.
3. Write to all ratepayers with overdue rates and charges advising them as a part of the Council's COVID-19 Support Package, the Council:
 - a. Will consider resolving to grant them a concession pursuant to section 121(b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, by way of an agreement to defer payment of current rates and charges to 31 December 2021-2022, where:
 - i. They apply for such a concession; and
 - ii. Produce evidence satisfying the Council that the payment of the rates and charges will cause hardship to them due to the impacts of the current COVID-19 Public Health Emergency in terms of section 120(1)(c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.
 - b. Will work with the ratepayer on a flexible payment schedule as a part of an agreement that the ratepayer will be required to enter into as a condition of the grant of any such concession, providing for the current rates and charges and all future rates and charges to be paid in full by the scheduled periodical instalments by 31 December 2022 at the latest.

NO VOTE TAKEN

[The Mayor original moved 31 December 2021 but subsequently amended it to 31 December 2022].

Responsible Officer

Rates & Utilities Billing Officer

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/29

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Hancock

That the dates in 3a. and 3b. be moved to July 2021 in lieu of 31 December 2022:

MOTION LOST

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Resolution No. OM/05.2020/30

Moved Cr O'Neil

That Council resolve to vote on each item individually.

Cr. Golder called for a division of the vote. The outcomes were recorded as follows:

| Those in Favour of the Motion | Those Against the Motion |
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| Cr. Birkett | Cr. Edwards |
| Cr. Guthrie | Cr. Golder |
| Cr. Hancock | Cr. Ladbrook |
| Cr. O'Neil | Cr. McMullen |
| Cr. Taylor | |

CARRIED

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Resolution No. OM/05.2020/31

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council resolve to extend the current pause on external debt recovery (all outstanding rates and charges) to 31 July 2020.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Rates & Utilities Billing Officer

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/32

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council resolve to waive all interest payable between 26 February 2020 and 31 July 2020 on overdue rates or charges for all rateable land within the Council's local government area – estimated to be valued at approximately \$105,000.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Rates & Utilities Billing Officer

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/33

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council write to all ratepayers with overdue rates and charges advising them that as a part of the Council's COVID-19 Support Package, the Council will consider resolving to grant them a concession pursuant to section 121(b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, by way of an agreement to defer payment of current rates and charges to 31 December 2022, where:

- i. **They apply for such a concession; and**
- ii. **Produce evidence satisfying the Council that the payment of the rates and charges will cause hardship to them due to the impacts of the current COVID-19 Public Health Emergency in terms of section 120(1)(c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.**

CARRIED

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Cr. Golder called for a division of the vote. The outcomes were recorded as follows:

| Those in Favour of the Motion | Those Against the Motion |
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| Cr. Edwards | Cr. Birkett |
| Cr. Golder | Cr. Hancock |
| Cr. Guthrie | Cr. O'Neil |

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| Cr. Ladbroke | |
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| Responsible Officer | Rates & Utilities Billing Officer |
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| Resolution No. OM/05.2020/34 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Moved Cr Golder | Seconded Cr McMullen | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>That Council will work with the ratepayer on a flexible payment schedule as a part of an agreement that the ratepayer will be required to enter into as a condition of the grant of any such concession, providing for the current rates and charges and all future rates and charges to be paid in full by scheduled periodic instalments by 31 December 2022 at the latest.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CARRIED | 6/3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cr. Golder called for a division of the vote. The outcomes were recorded as follows: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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Item Number: C.5 **File Number:** D20/34994

SUBJECT HEADING: COMMUNITY SAFETY FEES & CHARGES ADOPTION
(FINANCIAL YEAR 2020/21)

Officer's Title: Manager - Community Safety

Executive Summary:

The purpose of this report is to present the Community Safety proposed fees and charges for the 2020/21 financial year for adoption.

Cr O'Neil requested that the meeting separate out point 1 from the other 2 motions.

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| Resolution No. OM/05.2020/35 | |
| Moved Cr Golder | Seconded Cr McMullen |
| <p>That a report to be prepared for an upcoming Council Meeting to commence the local law making process to amend <i>Local Law No.2 (Animal Management) 2011</i> and <i>Subordinate Local [Law] No.2 (Animal Management) 2011</i>, to remove mandatory cat registration.</p> | |
| CARRIED | 7/2 |
| Cr. Golder called for a division of the vote. The outcomes were recorded as follows: | |

| Those in Favour of the Motion | Those Against the Motion |
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| Cr. Birkett | Cr. O'Neil |
| Cr. Edwards | Cr. Taylor |
| Cr. Golder | |
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| Cr. Hancock | |
| Cr. Ladbrook | |
| Cr. McMullen | |

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| Responsible Officer | Manager - Community Safety |
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| Resolution No. OM/05.2020/36 | |
| Moved Cr Golder | Seconded Cr Edwards |
| That the proposed new fees be introduced: | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Pet Id Tag (small) - \$5.00 per tag b. Pet Id Tag (large) - \$10.00 per tag c. Animal Surrender Fee – Cats \$100 Adult Cat (\$50 for a group / litter of Kittens up to 6 months) d. Animal Surrender Fee – Dogs \$160 Adult Dog (\$80 a litter of Puppies up to 6 months) e. Regulated Dog Tag - \$25.00 per tag f. Other animals (other than dog / cat) impound release fee \$50 | |
| CARRIED | 9/0 |

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| Responsible Officer | Manager - Community Safety |
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| Resolution No. OM/05.2020/37 | |
| Moved Cr Golder | Seconded Cr Birkett |
| <p>That Community Safety fees and charges for 2020/21 be set and adopted at 50% of the 2019/20 fees and charges, noting that these charges will apply to the 2020/21 animal registration renewal notices to be issued 1 June 2020. This is a COVID-19 initiative of Maranoa Regional Council.</p> | |
| CARRIED | 9/0 |

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| Responsible Officer | Manager - Community Safety |
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Item Number: C.6 **File Number:** D20/38875

SUBJECT HEADING: RECOMMENDATION TO PURCHASE NINE (9) SINGLE CAB 4X2 UTILITIES

Officer's Title: Operations Manager - Plant, Fleet & Workshops

Executive Summary:

Requests for quotations were called for the supply & delivery of nine (9) Single Cab 4x2 Utilities via Vendor Panel (VP173132).

Responses were reviewed by the evaluation panel and the report was submitted for Council's consideration.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/38

Moved Cr Golder

That Council:

1. Select Black Auto Group (Black Toyota) as the recommended supplier of nine (9) Single Cabin 4x2 Utilities (manual ~~transition~~ **transmission**) at a cost of \$317,787.84 including GST excluding registration and CTP insurance, for the reasons of:
 - 5 year unlimited kilometre warranty
 - General resale
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) to enter into final negotiations with Black Auto Group (Black Toyota) and raise purchase orders if the final terms are acceptable.

[This resolution has been updated following confirmation of these minutes at the Ordinary Meeting on 27 May 2020. The amendments resolved by Council on confirmation of the minutes are highlighted in red text]

NO VOTE TAKEN

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/39

Moved Cr Golder

That the matter lay on the table until next meeting to obtain further information regarding auto / manual ~~transition~~ **transmission**.

[This resolution has been updated following confirmation of these minutes at the Ordinary Meeting on 27 May 2020. The amendments resolved by Council on confirmation of the minutes are highlighted in red text]

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Operations Manager – Plant, Fleet & Workshops

Cr Hancock, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' in the following item for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 7.19pm, taking no part in discussion or debate on the matter.

Item Number:

C.7

File Number: D20/38583

SUBJECT HEADING:

COUNCIL NEWS - MAY EDITION REVIEW

Officer's Title:

Lead Corporate Communications & Design Officer

Executive Summary:

Councillors' review of the Council News May 2020 edition draft was sought for the publication to progress to print.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/40

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr McMullen

That:

1. Council note and approve the Council News May 2020 edition for print subject to final proofing.
2. Council News be disseminated through all the regional post offices in the Maranoa.

CARRIED

8/0

Responsible Officer

Lead Corporate Communications & Design Officer

Cr. Hancock did not return to the meeting having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' in the following item for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,'

Cr Birkett, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' in the following item for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 7.21pm, taking no part in discussion or debate on the matter.

Item Number:

C.8

File Number: D20/36634

SUBJECT HEADING:

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER - BOTTLE TREE BULLETIN

Officer's Title:

Lead Corporate Communications & Design Officer

Executive Summary:

With the contract extension for the community newsletter Bottle Tree Bulletin due to expire on 30 June 2020, Council's views were sought on the future of the publication.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/41

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Guthrie

That:

1. Council continue funding the community newsletter – Bottle Tree Bulletin.
2. A tender specification for the publication be drafted for Council's further consideration prior to public advertising of the tender at an upcoming formal meeting.
3. Council publicly advertise the tender, inviting suitably qualified and experienced entities (individuals, community groups or companies) to submit a lump sum price (per issue) and supporting documentation for the design, production, printing and distribution of the community newsletter (Bottle Tree Bulletin).
4. This tender commence July 2020 for a 24 month period (ending June 2022).

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer

Lead Corporate Communications & Design Officer

At cessation of discussion and debate on the abovementioned item, Cr. Birkett returned to the meeting at 7.24pm.

At cessation of discussion and debate on the abovementioned two (2) items, Cr. Hancock returned to meeting at 7.24pm.

Item Number: C.9 **File Number:** D20/35380

SUBJECT HEADING: **AGREEMENT FOR LICENCE TO USE FACILITIES - MITCHELL WORKSHOP**

Officer's Title: **Operations Manager - Plant, Fleet & Workshops**

Executive Summary:

The purpose of this report was to renew a long standing Agreement for Licence to use Facilities between Maranoa Regional Council and the Department of Transport and Main Roads for the use of Council's Mitchell workshop facility for the period 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/42

Moved Cr Edwards

Seconded Cr Hancock

That:

1. Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to sign the Agreement for Licence to use Facilities between Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) and Maranoa Regional Council for the use of the Mitchell workshop facilities from 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021.
2. Council set the fee at \$124.85 (excluding GST) per day.
3. Revenue generated from this agreement be assigned to GL1551.1135.1015.

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer

Operations Manager - Plant, Fleet & Workshops

Item Number: C.10 **File Number:** D20/38611

SUBJECT HEADING: **RECOMMENDATION TO PURCHASE FOUR (4) LIGHT RIGID CREW CABIN 'JOB' TRUCKS**

Officer's Title: **Operations Manager - Plant, Fleet & Workshops**

Executive Summary:

The purpose of this report was to consider the assessment of quotations obtained via Vendor Panel for the supply of four (4) Light Rigid Crew Cabin 'Job' Trucks and recommendation.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/43

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Birkett

That Council:

1. Select Isuzu Australia Limited as the recommended supplier of four (4) Light Rigid Crew Cabin 'Job' Trucks at a total cost of \$380,908 including GST excluding registration and Compulsory Third Party insurance;

2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) to enter into final negotiations with Black Trucks & Ag of Roma and raise purchase orders if the final terms are acceptable; and

3. Assign expenditure to General Ledger 6551.

CARRIED

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| Responsible Officer | Operations Manager - Plant, Fleet & Workshops |
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Item Number: C.11 File Number: D20/35388

SUBJECT HEADING: EXCESS ANIMAL APPLICATION 2020-75 - EXCESS DOGS

Officer's Title: Animal Control / Community Safety Officer & Local Law Administrator

Executive Summary:

An excess animal application for two additional dogs was lodged with Council for consideration.

Assessment of the application has been completed, mandatory documents provided, background checks performed on the dog owner and nominated dogs, and a site inspection conducted. The assessments were made in accordance with the criteria specified in Local Law No 1 (Administration) 2011.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/44

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr Guthrie

That, in accordance with the provisions of *Local Law [No 1] (Administration) 2011* and *Local Law No 2 (Animal Management) 2011*, Council grants excess dog approval to keep the four (4) dogs stated in Excess Animal Application Number 2020/75 identified as microchip numbers Dog One 953010001063054, Dog Two 953010002533942, Excess Dog One 953010004047606 and Excess Dog Two 953010004166992 on the premises 9 Liverpool Street Mitchell, for a term of (1) one year subject to the following conditions:

- (a) this approval allows for a total of four (4) dogs to be kept on the premises and is limited to the four (4) identified dogs; and
- (b) if any identified dog dies or is relocated to other premises or is kept by another owner or keeper at other premises, the dog may not be replaced by another dog unless the keeping of the dogs on the premises is approved under another excess dogs approval; and
- (c) the approval holder must ensure each and every identified dog is:
 - (i) implanted with a prescribed permanent identification device in accordance with section 14 of the *Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act 2008*; and
 - (ii) registered with Council; and
- (d) the approval holder must take all reasonable steps to prevent each and every identified dog kept on the premises from making a noise or disturbance that causes a nuisance or disturbance to the occupiers of other premises; and
- (e) the approval holder must ensure that any enclosure in which any identified dog is kept on the premises is properly drained and that run-off is kept off adjoining premises; and

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| (f) | the approval holder must ensure that excreta, food scraps and other material that is, or is likely to become, offensive is collected daily and, if not immediately disposed of, is kept in a waste container of a kind approved by an authorised person; and |
| (g) | the approval holder must ensure that any enclosure in which any identified dog is kept on the premises is maintained in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) a clean and sanitary condition and disinfected regularly; and (ii) an aesthetically acceptable condition; and |
| (h) | the approval holder must ensure a proper enclosure is maintained on the premises in accordance with the requirements of <i>Local Law No. 2 (Animal Management) 2011</i> ; and |

The approval holder must notify Council in writing in the event of the suspension or cancellation of a relevant approval for the keeping of any identified dog on the premises within 3 days of the suspension or cancellation of the relevant approval.

For example, if the approval holder is the occupier of the premises and the owner of the premises suspends or cancels the approval holder's right to keep any identified dog at the premises, the approval holder must notify Council in writing of the suspension or cancellation of the approval within 3 days of the suspension or cancellation.

CARRIED 9/0

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| Responsible Officer | Animal Control / Community Safety Officer & Local Law Administrator |
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Item Number: C.12 File Number: D20/38376

SUBJECT HEADING: ROMA SALEYARDS FEES AND CHARGES - 2020/21

Officer's Title: Manager - Saleyards

Executive Summary:

This report is presented to Council to consider the proposed fees and charges for the Roma Saleyards for the 2020/21 financial year.

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| Resolution No. OM/05.2020/45 | |
| Moved Cr Golder | Seconded Cr McMullen |
| <p>That Council approve the 2020/21 Roma Saleyards Fees and Charges to be set at the same fees as 2019/20 with the exception of the deceased stock disposal to be increased to \$120 (including GST), to cover the costs associated with the disposal of carcasses at Council's waste facility.</p> <p><i>[Wording amended by Cr Golder from his original motion following Council's discussions].</i></p> | |
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| Responsible Officer | Manager - Saleyards |
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Item Number: C.13 File Number: D20/34907

SUBJECT HEADING: JAMES COOK UNIVERSITY - RENEWAL OF SERVICED OFFICE AGREEMENT ROMA COMMUNITY HUB

Officer's Title: Facility Lease Management & Housing Officer / Team

Coordinator

Executive Summary:

James Cook University has advised Council that it wished to extend the Serviced Office Agreement for Office 8 within the Roma Community Hub for a further twelve month period expiring 14 May 2021.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/46

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Ladbrook

That Council agree to renew the Serviced Office Agreement for a further twelve month period expiring 14 May 2021, to an agreed rental amount of \$550 per month GST inclusive.

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer

**Facility Lease Management & Housing
Officer / Team Coordinator**

Cr Birkett, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' in the following item for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 7.42pm, taking no part in discussion or debate on the matter.

Item Number:

C.14

File Number: D20/37894

SUBJECT HEADING:

**MITCHELL RETURNED AND SERVICES LEAGUE (RSL)
AND COMBINED SPORTS CLUB INC**

Officer's Title:

Administration Officer - Land Administration

Executive Summary:

A management agreement has been negotiated with the Mitchell RSL and Combined Sports Club Inc for the use of land and sporting facilities located off Ann Street, Mitchell and described as Lot 115 on DL335. The agreement is presented for Council's endorsement.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/47

Moved Cr Hancock

Seconded Cr Edwards

That Council:

- 1. Enter into the management agreement as presented with the Mitchell RSL and Combined Sports Club Inc commencing 1 June 2020 for a period of five (5) years in respect to the land and sporting facilities located on land described as Lot 115 on DL335.**
- 2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer, or delegate, to execute the management agreement.**

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer

Administration Officer - Land Administration

At cessation of discussion and debate on the abovementioned item, Cr. Birkett returned to the meeting at 7.44pm.

Item Number: C.15 **File Number:** D20/37585
SUBJECT HEADING: COVID-19 TASKFORCE
Officer's Title: Manager - Economic & Community Development
 Project Officer

Executive Summary:

Commerce Roma and Visit Roma have joined forces to create the COVID-19 Recovery Action Taskforce for the Maranoa Region. The taskforce is focused on driving a regional economic development recovery plan and is dedicated to formulating a number of achievable actions to ensure economic sustainability for the region.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/48

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Golder

That:

1. Council take a lead in the COVID-19 Recovery Plan Taskforce as a welcome opportunity to partner with the community for our region.
2. Council allocate a budget of \$111,500 from Work Order # W21881.
3. A report be presented on an action plan for a regional approach to COVID-19 at the Ordinary meeting on 27 May 2020.
4. A plan be developed for how staff across the region can assist in the coordination and delivery of the action plan.

[Wording amended by Cr O'Neil from his original motion following a suggestion by the Mayor and discussion about the inclusion of the wording 'across the region'].

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

**Manager - Economic & Community
Development**

Item Number: C.16 **File Number:** D20/38373
SUBJECT HEADING: APPLICATION FOR FUNDING - QUEENSLAND FERAL
 PEST INITIATIVE - ROUND 4
Officer's Title: Rural Land Services & Funding Officer / Team
 Coordinator

Executive Summary:

Council has been invited to apply for funding under the Queensland Feral Pest Initiative Round 4 for projects that provide enhancement to existing pest plant and animal control programs. Projects should work across the broader landscape and build capacity of Council Rural Lands staff and landholders to control feral pests on their land.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/49

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Ladbrook

That Council:

1. Submit a joint application for funding under the Queensland Feral Pest Initiative – Round 4 in partnership with Goondiwindi Regional Council and Balonne Shire Council.

2. Provide a letter of support to the Balonne Shire Council as the lead applicant for the funding.
3. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to enter into an agreement with Balonne Shire Council, Goondiwindi Regional Council and The Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, should the application be successful.
4. Enter into negotiations with Warroo Game Meats regarding the supply of bait meat for the project, should the application be successful.

CARRIED

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| Responsible Officer | Rural Land Services & Funding Officer / Team Coordinator |
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Item Number: C.17 File Number: D20/39216

SUBJECT HEADING: COVID-19 RECOVERY PACKAGE - ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FEES AND CHARGES

Officer's Title: Environment, Health Administration & Inspections Officer

Executive Summary:

As a result of the COVID19 pandemic and the impact it has had on businesses within the tourism and hospitality industry. Council could consider waiving licensing and permit fees for food businesses (including footpath dining), caravan parks and potable water carriers.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/50

Moved Cr Hancock

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council consider in its operating budget deliberations, and as part of its overall response to the coronavirus pandemic waiving the 2020/21 licensing and permit fees for food businesses (including footpath dining), caravan parks and potable water carriers.

CARRIED

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| Responsible Officer | Environment, Health Administration & Inspections Officer |
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Item Number: C.18 File Number: D20/38851

SUBJECT HEADING: DRIVING ECONOMIC GROWTH AND NEW DEVELOPMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

Officer's Title: Lead Town Planner

Executive Summary:

As part of its overall response to the Coronavirus pandemic, Council could consider waiving some planning assessment and plumbing inspection fees as well as the partial deferral of infrastructure charges in the immediate to short term. This could provide support and relief to the development community, and may help to drive a range of new development projects in the region.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/51
Moved Cr Golder
Seconded Cr Ladbrook

That Council consider in its operating budget deliberations, and as part of its overall response to the Coronavirus pandemic:

- a) waiving certain development assessment and plumbing inspection fees (excluding reconfiguring of lot applications) until 31 December 2020; and
- b) imposing a 2-year currency period on development permits issued under the fee concession provided in paragraph a); and
- c) continue charging full development assessment fees for development permits with a currency period that exceeds 2 years; and
- d) allowing 100% waiving of the total infrastructure charges until June 2021 (excluding reconfiguring of lot applications).

[Wording amended by Cr Golder from his original motion following Council's discussions].

CARRIED
9/0
Responsible Officer
Lead Town Planner
Item Number:
C.19
File Number: D20/36725
SUBJECT HEADING:
**ROAD MAINTENANCE PERFORMANCE CONTRACT
2020/21**
Officer's Title:
Manager - Maintenance Delivery & Works
Executive Summary:

Through Council's existing sole invitee status with the Department of Transport & Main Roads, Council has been offered the opportunity to tender for a Road Maintenance Performance Contract (RMPC) with the Department of Transport & Main Roads for financial year 2020/21.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/52
Moved Cr Birkett
Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to sign both the tender submission and the resulting Road Maintenance Performance Contract with the Department of Transport & Main Roads for 2020/21 to the value of \$3,734,510 GST Exclusive.

CARRIED
9/0
Responsible Officer
Manager - Maintenance Delivery & Works
Item Number:
C.20
File Number: D20/38632
SUBJECT HEADING:
NEGOTIATIONS FOR AIRLINE RELIEF DUE TO COVID-19
Officer's Title:
Manager - Airports (Roma, Injune, Surat, Mitchell)
Executive Summary:

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the domestic aviation industry has realised a significant reduction in passenger movements across the country. This has financially impacted not only airport operations, but airline partners to a great extent.

Roma Airport has received correspondence from an airline partner requesting consideration of financial relief in the face of the significant reduction in passengers and services. This report sought to advise Council of the background to the request and a pathway forward for consideration.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/53

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr Edwards

That Council:

1. Authorise the payment deferral of landing fees for particular Regular Public Transport operations at Roma Airport as identified in the Officer's report, for a period of 6 months commencing 1 April 2020.
2. Be provided with an update at a meeting in July 2020.

[Wording amended by Cr Golder from his original motion following discussion].

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer

Manager - Airports (Roma, Injune, Surat, Mitchell)

Item Number:

C.21

File Number: D20/34577

SUBJECT HEADING:

**ROMA AND SURAT AERODROME COMPLIANCE
INSPECTION REPORTS**

Officer's Title:

Manager - Airports (Roma, Injune, Surat, Mitchell)

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/54

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Taylor

That Council receive and note the Officer's report as presented.

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer

Manager - Airports (Roma, Injune, Surat, Mitchell)

Cr Ladbrook, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' in the following item for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 8.01pm, taking no part in discussion or debate on the matter.

Item Number:

C.22

File Number: D20/36181

SUBJECT HEADING:

UNNAMED SECTION OF ROAD OFF HUMPHREYS ROAD

Officer's Title:

**Deputy Director / Strategic Road Management
Assets Officer - Transport Network**

Executive Summary:

An unnamed section of road off Humphreys Road has been the subject of several ongoing matters raised by residents living in the area.

An update was provided to Council on 22 April 2020, where it was resolved that a subsequent report, outlining the main topics of concerns raised by residents, be tabled to the Council Meeting on 13 May 2020 for Council's consideration.

This report provided Council with further information on each of the matters, and outlines a number of possible options to consider.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/55

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr McMullen

That:

1. Council advise the applicant that the request for a Permit to Occupy the unnamed road reserve off Humphreys Road adjacent to lot 11 on WAL53496 is not supported as this section of road reserve is gazetted, and is currently being used for the purposes of a public road, and the level of vehicular traffic on the public road is such that it is not appropriate for Council to support the grant of a Permit to Occupy.
2. Council write to the owner of lot 11 on WAL53496 with a view to:
 - a) discussing the fencing of the northern boundary of the road reserve where the road abuts Lot 11 on WAL53496 to the extent that the land is not currently fenced and the removal of the gates which are currently installed on the road;
 - b) invite the owner to advise, in writing, any concerns associated with the fencing of the road on the southern boundary where the road abuts Lot 11 on WAL53496;
 - c) advise the owner of the level of compensation and assistance available under the Incentive to Fence Out sections of Council's current Gates and Grids Policy.
3. The current unnamed section of the road between the end of Humphries Road and Brookfield Road to be added to the Rural Roads Register.

CARRIED

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| Responsible Officer | Deputy Director / Strategic Road Management |
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At cessation of discussion and debate on the abovementioned item, Cr. Ladbrook returned to meeting at 8.05pm.

Item Number: C.23 **File Number:** D20/37420

SUBJECT HEADING: CROSSROADS ROAD REALIGNMENT - LANDOWNER COMPENSATION AGREEMENT

Officer's Title: Deputy Director / Strategic Road Management
Project Officer - Program & Contract Management

Executive Summary:

Council is in the process of completing the design for the next section of the Crossroads Road Upgrade Project. The project was triggered as a result of the increased Coal Seam Gas activity in the area, and will be delivered in accordance with the Road Infrastructure Agreement with Australia Pacific Liquefied Natural Gas (APLNG).

Design for the Crossroads Road upgrade has identified that the current road alignment is outside the current road reserve.

This report provided a summary of the actions required to formalise this section of road reserve area as part of the upgrade project.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/56

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Edwards

That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to:

- 1. Formally enter into a Road Agreement with the landowner of Lot 25 on Plan BWR101.**
- 2. Complete the required actions with the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy to effect a road opening action to formalise the realignment of Crossroads Road at approximately Chainage 8240 – 8460.**

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Deputy Director / Strategic Road Management

Cr Hancock, having previously foreshadowed a 'Conflict of Interest' in the following item for reasons stated under the Section 'COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,' left the meeting at 8.07pm, taking no part in discussion or debate on the matter.

Item Number:

C.24

File Number: D20/37056

SUBJECT HEADING:

ESTABLISHMENT OF CADETSHIP

Officer's Title:

Human Resources & Training Advisor

Executive Summary:

The report sought Council approval for the establishment of a cadetship program and the transitioning of the position of Trainee – Technical Engineering (Design) to Cadet – Civil Designer.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/57

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Birkett

That Council:

- 1. Approve the establishment of a cadetship program.**
- 2. Offer a Cadetship in a Bachelor of Engineering Science (Civil Engineering).**
- 3. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to approve and sign a Bonded Service Agreement between Council and the successful candidate.**
- 4. Endorse the change of position title within the Organisational Structure from Trainee – Technical Engineering (Design) to Cadet - Civil Designer (1011).**

CARRIED

8/0

Responsible Officer

Human Resources & Training Advisor

At cessation of discussion and debate on the abovementioned item, Cr. Hancock returned to the meeting at 8.08pm.

Item Number: C.25 File Number: D20/37696

SUBJECT HEADING: ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR MAINTENANCE TO THE MUNGALLALA PROGRESS & SPORTING ASSOCIATION

Councillors Title: Mayor

Executive Summary:

Mayor Golder brought forward for Council's consideration the possibility of allocating funds for maintenance to the Mungallala Progress Association to improve the town.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/58

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr Guthrie

That a report be prepared for an upcoming Council meeting.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Deputy Director Infrastructure Services /
Strategic Road Management

Item Number: C.26 File Number: D20/37669

SUBJECT HEADING: MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE FOR CAMPBELLS PARK

Councillor's Title: Mayor

Executive Summary:

Mayor Golder requested that Council have slashing at Campbell's Park put on the maintenance schedule to improve the amenity of the park as the first step in improving this recreational area.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/59

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr Taylor

That a report be prepared for an upcoming Council meeting.

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer

Manager - Maintenance Delivery & Works

Item Number: C.27 File Number: D20/39556

SUBJECT HEADING: PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

Author Title: Mayor

Executive Summary:

The Mayor presented this report with a view to increase local job creation opportunities. The report seeks to explore the options and timeframe to disband the alliance on building roads partnership between Roadtek (TMR) and Council.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/60

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr Edwards

That a report be prepared for an upcoming Council meeting.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Deputy Director Infrastructure Services /
Strategic Road Management

Item Number:

C.28

File Number: D20/40107

SUBJECT HEADING:

FURTHER INFORMATION - ROMA CEMETERY -
REQUEST TO INSTALL STREET BOLLARDS

Officer's Title:

Manager - Communication, Information & Administration
Services

Executive Summary:

The original request for street bollards to be installed at the street intersection of Lewis and Conlan Street, Roma outside the Roma Cemetery was brought before Council at the meeting 22 April 2020. Resolution OM/04.2020/32 asked for further installation options and costing to be presented at this meeting for Council's consideration.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/61

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Golder

That:

1. Council install Option 3 – Hazard Intersection Signage; a road sign that is designed for T-intersections, with costs for the project to come from the current cemetery maintenance budget. (Work Order 14155.2445).
2. A hedge be placed at the base of the sign, along with additional gum trees adjacent to the cemetery fence.
3. A letter be sent to the resident who wrote to Council regarding this matter.

[Wording amended by Cr O'Neil from his original motion following suggestions by the Mayor and Cr Hancock and discussion].

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Manager - Communication, Information &
Administration Services / Deputy Director
Infrastructure Services / Strategic Road
Management

LATE CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Item Number:

LC.1

File Number: D20/39336

SUBJECT HEADING:

REQUEST TO DEFER RATES AND CHARGES DUE TO
HARDSHIP - ASSESSMENT 12000717

Officer's Title:

Rates & Utilities Billing Officer

Executive Summary:

Council requested the ratepayers provide evidence of financial hardship to allow for deferment of rates and charges for six months due to COVID-19.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/62

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council accept that the applicant has provided evidence that satisfies the Council that the payment of the current rates and charges will cause financial hardship to the applicant in terms of section 120(1)(c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

[Wording amended by Cr O'Neil from his original motion following discussion].

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

Rates & Utilities Billing Officer

Item Number:

LC.2

File Number: D20/37088

SUBJECT HEADING:

ROMA BIGGER BIG RIG PROJECT UPDATE

Officer's Title:

**Deputy Director / Strategic Road Management
Project Officer - Program & Contract Management**

Executive Summary:

At the Special Meeting on 21 February 2020, Council resolved through Resolution SM/02.2020/29 to select J Hutchinson Pty Ltd as the preferred tenderer for Tender 20019 – The Bigger Big Rig Observation Tower & Treetop Walkway.

This report provided Council with an update on the negotiations, and other project activities that have occurred since the Special Meeting on 20 February 2020.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/63

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Hancock

That Council receive and note this report by way of update regarding The Bigger Big Rig Observation Tower & Treetop Walkway Project, and write to the relevant minister.

CARRIED

9/0

Responsible Officer

**Deputy Director / Strategic Road
Management**

Item Number:

LC.3

File Number: D20/40939

SUBJECT HEADING:

CONDITION OF AMBY TOWN WATER

Councillor's Title:

Mayor

Executive Summary:

A letter was received through the Office of the Mayor on 6 May 2020 with a complaint in relation to the Amby town water.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/64

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr McMullen

That:

- 1. Council receive and note the letter as presented.**

2. A report be prepared for an upcoming Council meeting.

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer

Manager - Water, Sewerage & Gas

Item Number:

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File Number: D20/40946

SUBJECT HEADING:

INTERIM REPRESENTATIVE ARRANGEMENTS - SOUTH WEST REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT GROUP (SWRRTG) & SOUTH WEST REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (SWRED)

Officer's Title:

Lead Officer - Elected Members & Community Engagement

Executive Summary:

The report tables a proposal for Council to consider representation / attendance at upcoming meetings for the South West Regional Roads and Transport Group and South West Regional Economic Development (SWRED) meetings.

Cr McMullen requested that the motions be split.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/65

Moved Cr Hancock

Seconded Cr Taylor

That Council nominate as an interim Councillor delegates:

- **Cr. McMullen for attendance at the South West Regional Roads and Transport Group Meeting on 27 May 2020.**
- **Cr. O'Neil for attendance at the South West Regional Economic Development meeting on 28 May 2020.**

MOTION LOST

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Resolution No. OM/05.2020/66

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr Guthrie

That Cr McMullen represent for the South West Regional Roads and Transport Group (SWRRTG).

[Wording amended by Mayor Golder from his original motion following discussion. The intention was also to explore an electronic option for attendance at the South West Regional Roads and Transport Group (SWRRTG) as the next meeting is on a Council meeting day].

Cr. Golder called for a division of the vote. The outcomes were recorded as follows:

| Those in Favour of the Motion | Those Against the Motion |
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| Cr. Birkett | Cr. O'Neil |
| Cr. Edwards | |
| Cr. Golder | |
| Cr. Guthrie | |
| Cr. Hancock | |
| Cr. Ladbrook | |
| Cr. McMullen | |
| Cr. Taylor | |

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer
**Deputy Director / Strategic Road
Management / Lead Officer – Elected
Members & Community Engagement**
Resolution No. OM/05.2020/67
Moved Cr Golder
Seconded Cr McMullen

That Council approve interim delegates for attendance at the South West Regional Economic Development (SWRED) meeting on 28 May 2020 - Cr. Guthrie as one representative, and Cr. Golder as the other representative.

CARRIED

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Cr. Golder called for a division of the vote. The outcomes were recorded as follows:

| Those in Favour of the Motion | Those Against the Motion |
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| Cr. Birkett | Cr. Hancock |
| Cr. Edwards | Cr. O'Neil |
| Cr. Golder | |
| Cr. Guthrie | |
| Cr. Ladbrook | |
| Cr. McMullen | |
| Cr. Taylor | |

Responsible Officer
**Lead Officer – Elected Members &
Community Engagement / Manager
Economic & Community Development**
Item Number:
13.3
File Number: D20/37574
SUBJECT HEADING:
REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP
Officer's Title:
**Local Development Officer - Mitchell
Specialist - Arts & Culture**
Executive Summary:

The Management committee for the Maranoa Arts Gateway in Mitchell approached Council seeking sponsorship of \$500 to assist with the delivery of a South West Queensland Virtual Exhibition. This will allow the Virtual Exhibition to obtain sponsorship for prizes for entrants in specific categories during COVID-19.

This item had been laid on the table earlier during the meeting for further information - this now to hand, Council resumed its deliberations.

Resolution No. OM/05.2020/68
Moved Cr McMullen
Seconded Cr Guthrie
That Council:

- 1. Approve the sponsorship request from the Management Committee of the Maranoa Arts Gateway, Mitchell.**

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| 2. Provide financial support at the requested cost of \$500 (GST exclusive) to be allocated to the Council's sponsorship budget General Ledger 2887 through an internal transfer. | |
| 3. Request the Management Group of the Maranoa Arts Gateway reflect Council's contribution towards the Virtual Exhibition. | |
| CARRIED | 9/0 |

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| Responsible Officer | Local Development Officer - Mitchell |
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CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Mayor thanked Council for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 8.37pm.

These Minutes are to be confirmed at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on 27 May 2020, at Roma Administration Centre.

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 Mayor.

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 Date.

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 Deputy Mayor.

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