

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF MARANOA REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD AT ERNEST BROCK ROOM (ROMA CULTURAL CENTRE) ON 19 AUGUST 2020 SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE AT 9.30AM

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 / Strategic Road Management – Cameron Hoffmann, Manager Planning & Building Development – Danielle Pearn, Program Funding & Budget Coordinator – Cindy Irwin.

WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed all present and declared the meeting open at 9.44am, and immediately adjourned the meeting to allow for Councillors to receive updated business papers.

The meeting resumed at 9.50am.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of Conflicts of Interest.

BUSINESS

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 and C.2, which it has deemed to be of a confidential nature and specifically pertaining to the following section:

- (c) the local government budget.

Resolution No. SM/08.2020/01

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Guthrie

I move that we go into closed Mr Mayor [close the meeting to the public at 9.51am]

CARRIED

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**COUNCIL ADJOURNED THE MEETING
FOR MORNING TEA AT 10.39AM**

**SUBJECT HEADING: RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS
COUNCIL RESUMED THE MEETING IN CLOSED SESSION AT 11.10AM**

Resolution No. SM/08.2020/02

Moved Cr McMullen

Seconded Cr Birkett

That Council open the meeting to the public [at 12.30pm].

CARRIED

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Item Number:

C.1

File Number: D20/79396

SUBJECT HEADING:

RATE BENCHMARKING REPORT

Officer's Title:

Director - Corporate & Community Services

Executive Summary:

The Rate Benchmarking Report by AEC Group Ltd had been updated to reflect the Budget Submissions and Financial Planning Standing Committee meeting recommendation to include Scenario 1 Updated in the next draft of the 2020/21 Budget.

Resolution No. SM/08.2020/03

Moved Cr Hancock

Seconded Cr O'Neil

That:

- 1. The updated Rate Benchmarking Report be received and noted.**
- 2. Council further consider releasing additional parts or all of the Rate Benchmarking Report at the next Ordinary Meeting.**
- 3. An information brochure be developed on the changes to the rates and charges (revenue) since 2008, to be brought to a future meeting, with a view to making it available to the community at the time of budget adoption.**

[Cr O'Neil proposed an amendment; the addition of points 2 and 3 of the motion, for which Cr Hancock confirmed she was happy to accept. Further discussion ensued and the motion was again updated by Cr Hancock on the basis of further advice provided by the Chief Executive Officer and further discussion with Councillors.]

MOTION LOST

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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
Cr. Guthrie	Cr. Birkett
Cr. Hancock	Cr. Edwards
Cr. O'Neil	Cr. Golder
Cr. Taylor	Cr. Ladbrook
	Cr. McMullen

Responsible Officer

Director - Corporate & Community Services

Resolution No. SM/08.2020/04
Moved Cr O'Neil
Seconded Cr Taylor
That:

1. The updated Rate Benchmarking Report be received and noted.
2. An information brochure be developed on the changes to the rates and charges (revenue) since 2008, to be brought to a future meeting, with a view to making it available to the community at the time of budget adoption.

[Wording amended by Cr O'Neil from his original motion following a suggestion from the Chief Executive Officer and further discussion with Councillors.]

CARRIED

8/1

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
Cr. Birkett	Cr. Edwards
Cr. Golder	
Cr. Guthrie	
Cr. Hancock	
Cr. Ladbrook	
Cr. McMullen	
Cr. O'Neil	
Cr. Taylor	

Responsible Officer
Director - Corporate & Community Services
Item Number:
C.2
File Number: D20/79017
SUBJECT HEADING:
DRAFT BUDGET COMMUNITY CONSULTATION
Officer's Title:
Program Funding & Budget Coordinator
Executive Summary:

The purpose of this report was to present the final Draft Budget 2020-21 to be used for the release for Community Consultation.

Resolution No. SM/08.2020/05
Moved Cr Golder
Seconded Cr Guthrie
That:

1. Council approve the draft budget consultation package (including any minor edits) for release on Council's new 'Have your Say' online platform.
2. The information be available for the period commencing Wednesday the 19th August 2020 and closing at noon on Tuesday the 25th of August 2020.

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer
Program Funding & Budget Coordinator

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Mayor thanked Council for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 12.35pm.

These Minutes are to be confirmed at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on 26 August 2020, at Ernest Brock Room (Roma Cultural Centre).

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Mayor.

Date.