

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF MARANOA REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD AT ROMA ADMINISTRATION CENTRE ON 19 MAY 2021 SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE AT 12.10PM

ATTENDANCE

Mayor Cr T D Golder chaired the meeting with 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, Program Funding & Budget Coordinator – Cindy Irwin, Manager Saleyards – Paul Klar, Operations Manager Plant, Fleet & Workshops – David Parker, Manager Water, Sewerage & Gas – Graham Sweetlove.

WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed all present and declared the meeting open at 12.14pm.

APOLOGIES

Resolution No. SM/05.2021/09	
Moved Cr Hancock	Seconded Cr Taylor
An apology for Cr. McMullen.	
CARRIED	8/0

Responsible Officer	Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement
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BUSINESS

Item Number: 6.1 **File Number:** D21/33822

SUBJECT HEADING: REVENUE POLICY 2021/22

Officer's Title: Director - Corporate & Community Services

Executive Summary:

The purpose of this Revenue Policy is to set out the principles used by Council for:

- *Levying rates and charges;*
- *Granting concessions for rates and charges;*
- *The recovery of unpaid rates and charges; and*
- *Cost recovery fees and methods.*

Resolution No. SM/05.2021/10	
Moved Cr Golder	
That we lay this on the table to receive further advice in relation to concessions i.e. mental health etc.	
CARRIED	8/0

Responsible Officer	Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement
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CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Resolution No. SM/05.2021/11

Moved Cr Hancock

Seconded Cr Birkett

In accordance with the provisions of section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, that Council resolve to close the meeting to the public [at 12.26pm] to discuss confidential items that its Councillors consider is necessary to close the meeting.

In accordance with Section 254J(5) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the following table provides:

- The matters to be discussed;
- An overview of what is to be discussed while the meeting is closed.

Noting the intended withdrawal of Items C.15 and C.16 of the agenda.

Agenda Item	Matters to be discussed (Reasons to close the meeting under the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i>)	Overview
C.1 – Draft 2021-22 Budget - Airport	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government's budget.	This report presents the Airports draft budget for 2021-22.
C.2 – Draft 2021-22 Budget Saleyards	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government's budget.	This report presents the Saleyards draft budget for 2021-22.
C.3 – Draft 2021-22 Budget - Water	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government's budget.	This report presents the Water draft budget for 2021-22.
C.4 – Waste Management Utility Charges - Industrial Area Roma	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government's budget.	<p>During budget deliberations for the 2020/21 financial year regarding Waste Utility Charge, Council requested Resolution No. BUD/07.2020/41 that Council:</p> <p>Refer the matter for further investigation and consultation prior to the 2021/22 budget deliberations into the possible options for waste management within the industrial area of Roma when the State Government reforms are legislated.</p> <p>This report provides an update following these investigations for Council's consideration in setting Waste Management Utility Charges - Industrial Area Roma for 2021-22.</p>
C.5 – Draft 2021-22 – Sewerage	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government's budget.	This report presents the Sewerage draft budget for 2021-22.

C.6 – Draft 2021-22 Budget - Gas	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government’s budget.	This report presents the Gas draft budget for 2021-22.
C.7 – Draft 2021-22 Budget – Waste	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government’s budget.	This report presents the draft Waste budget for 2021-22.
C.8 – Draft 2021-22 Budget - Plant	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government’s budget.	This report presents the draft Plant, fleet, workshops and depot budget for 2021-22.
C.9 – Draft 2021-22 Whole of Council Operational (Business as usual) Budget	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government’s budget.	This report presents the draft Whole of Council Operational (Business as usual) 2021-22 budget for Council’s consideration.
C.10 – Draft 2021-22 Budget – Quarry and quarry pits	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government’s budget.	This report presents the Quarry and quarry pits draft budget for 2021-22.
C.11 – Draft 2021-22 Project proposals	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government’s budget.	This report presents proposed projects for consideration in the draft 2021-22 budget.
C.12 – Draft 2021-22 Budget – Laboratory	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government’s budget	This report presents the Laboratory draft budget for 2021-22.
C.13 – Rural Fire Brigade Special Charge 2021-22	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government’s budget	The purpose of this report is to consider the Rural Fire Brigade Special Charge for inclusion in the draft Budget 2021/22.
C.14 – Prompt Payment Discount - Rates	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government’s budget	The purpose of this report is to consider the level of discount and discount period for the prompt payment of specified rates for the period ending 30 June 2022.
C.15 – Category 39 – Rural Differential General Rates Modelling	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government’s budget	Item withdrawn from agenda
C.16 – Long-term Financial Forecast	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government’s budget	Item withdrawn from agenda
C.17 – Interest on Overdue Rates & Replaced with LC.1	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government’s budget	This report provides background information to setting the interest rate on overdue rates and charges for 2021/22.

C.18 – Loan Refinancing Options & Replaced with LC.2	Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254J(3)(c) the local government’s budget	The purpose of this report is to present loan refinancing options available to Council.
CARRIED		8/0

Responsible Officer	Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement
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Resolution No. SM/05.2021/12	Moved Cr O'Neil	Seconded Cr Hancock
That Council open the meeting to the public [at 12.27pm].		
CARRIED		8/0

Responsible Officer	Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community
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Declaration of Interest

Item	C.1
Description	Draft 2021-22 Budget - Airport
Declaring Councillor	Cr Mark Edwards
Person or Entity with the interest	Myself and Roma Aero Club
Particulars of the interest	I am a member of the Roma Aero Club (not on the executive) and an operational project amount was considered to review the location design of the facility after correspondence from the Roma Aero Club.
Type of conflict	Declarable conflict of interest
Action	Leave the room while the matter is discussed and voted on.

Resolution No. SM/05.2021/13	Moved Cr Hancock	Seconded Cr Taylor
In accordance with the provisions of section 254J(3) of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i>, a local government may resolve to close a meeting to the public to discuss confidential items that its Councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting [at 12.34pm] as previously stated.		
CARRIED		8/0

Responsible Officer	Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement
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COUNCIL ADJOURNED THE MEETING
 FOR A BRIEF RECESS AT 1.18pm

SUBJECT HEADING: RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS
 COUNCIL RESUMED THE MEETING AT 2.48pm

Cr Edwards, having previously declared a declarable interest in Item C.1, left the meeting at 3.30pm, taking no part in discussion of the matter.

At cessation of discussion on the abovementioned item, Cr Edwards returned to the meeting at 4.05pm.

Cr Hancock left the meeting at 4.11pm, and returned at 4.13pm.

Cr O'Neil left the meeting at 4.33pm, and returned at 4.34pm.

Cr O'Neil left the meeting at 4.47pm, and returned at 4.49pm.

Cr Birkett left the meeting at 4.53pm, and returned at 4.56pm.

Resolution No. SM/05.2021/14

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Birkett

That Council open the meeting to the public at 5.36pm.

CARRIED

8/0

Responsible Officer

Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement

Resolution No. SM/05.2021/15

Moved Cr O'Neil

That Items C.1 – C.8 and C.10 – C.18 be laid on the table until the next Ordinary Meeting of Council to bring back a report on depreciation / funding and renewals.

CARRIED

8/0

Responsible Officer

Director Corporate & Community Services

Item Number:

C.9

File Number: D21/36985

SUBJECT HEADING:

DRAFT 2021-22 WHOLE OF COUNCIL OPERATIONAL (BUSINESS AS USUAL) BUDGET

Officer's Title:

Program Funding & Budget Coordinator

Executive Summary:

This report presented the draft Whole of Council Operational (Business as usual) 2021-22 budget for Council's consideration.

Resolution No. SM/05.2021/16

Moved Cr Golder

Seconded Cr Ladbrook

That rates modelling be undertaken for 2021-22:

- 1. To achieve the same rates revenue for each category as 2020-21 by re-setting the rate in the dollar for each category.**
- 2. To achieve rates revenue indexed by the Council cost index.**

[Wording amended by Cr Golder following discussion with the Chief Executive Officer and Director clarifying dates contained in the resolution].

CARRIED

8/0

Responsible Officer

Program Funding & Budget Coordinator

Item Number:

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Resolution No. SM/05.2021/17

Moved Cr Birkett

Seconded Cr Hancock

That Council:

1. Receive and note the document titled "Revenue Policy 2021/22".
2. In accordance with Section 193 of *Local Government Regulation 2012* adopt the 2021/22 Revenue Policy.

CARRIED

8/0

Responsible Officer

Director - Corporate & Community Services

Resolution No. SM/05.2021/18

Moved Cr O'Neil

That we lay Items LC.1 and LC.2 on the table until the Ordinary Meeting of Council next week.

CARRIED

8/0

Responsible Officer

Lead Officer – Elected Members & Community Engagement

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Mayor thanked Council for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 5.42pm.

These Minutes are to be confirmed at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on 26 May 2021, at Roma Administration Centre.