

REPORT

Report No. 93/16cncI

TO: ORDINARY COUNCIL – 27 JUNE 2016
SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF MUNICIPAL PLAN 2016/17 TO 2018/19 AND THE ANNUAL BUDGET
AUTHOR: DIRECTOR FINANCE – DINESH PILLAY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Regulation 24 of the Local Government Accounting Regulations states that before the adoption of the budget for a financial year the CEO shall check all available records to ensure that all rateable land is recorded in the assessment record and certify to the Council that, to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, the assessment record is a comprehensive record of all rateable land within the area.

Section 128 (1) of the Local Government Act states that a council must adopt its budget for a particular financial year on or before 31 July in the relevant financial year. While the budget is included within the Municipal Plan, the budget needs to be adopted separately from the Municipal Plan.

A draft Municipal Plan for the 2016/17 to 2019/20 financial years has been on display to the general public since 31 May 2016. *Section 24 of the Local Government Act states that the Municipal Plan must be on public exhibition for not less than 21 days and that submissions may be made to council at any time during the period of public exhibition. The period of public display ended on 20 June 2016. Under Section 24 of the Local Government Act the Municipal Plan for 2016/17 to 2019/20 is now laid before Council for adoption.*

It is recommended:

- A. That Council note the contents of the CEO's certification of the assessment record.**
- B. That Council adopts the Annual Budget for 2016-17**
- C. That Council adopts the Draft Municipal Plan 2016/17 to 2019/20 as the Municipal Plan 2016/17 to 2019/20 and including the council member allowances.**

REPORT**1. BACKGROUND**

On 30 May 2016 Council resolved to place the Draft Municipal Plan incorporating the Budget on public display from 31 May 2016. Notices were placed in the Centralian Advocate on the 3rd and 10th June 2016 respectively, inviting public comment and stated that the Draft Municipal Plan would remain on public exhibition until Monday 20 June 2016.

2. DISCUSSION

As per the draft Municipal Plan that has been available for public consultation, the Municipal Plan includes provision for 3% rate income increase for the 2016/17 financial year. Minor amendments have been made to the draft Municipal Plan which is explained in the attached "minor adjustments information sheet".

3. **POLICY IMPACTS**

Nil

4. **FINANCIAL IMPACTS**

Council has budgeted to break even in the years 2016/17 to 2019/20.

5. **SOCIAL IMPACTS**

Nil

6. **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS**

Nil

7. **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

The draft Municipal Plan 2016/17 has been available for public consultation from the 31st May 2016 to the 20th June 2016.

There have been no public comments received on the draft Municipal Plan 2016/17.

8. **ATTACHMENTS**

- CEO Certification of the assessment record
- Copy of the advertisement placed in the Centralian Advocate
- Minor adjustments information sheet



Dinesh Pillay
DIRECTOR FINANCE




Alice Springs Town Council

ASSESSMENT RECORD

Certification

This is to certify that assessments numbered 6 to 11489 declared pursuant to section 155 of the Local Government Act 2008 are recorded in the assessment record of Council. To the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the assessment record is a comprehensive record of all rateable land in the Municipality of Alice Springs.


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Signed
Rex Mooney
CEO

23.6.16
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Date



COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

DRAFT BUDGET AND MUNICIPAL PLAN

Alice Springs Town Council has released for public comment its draft Municipal Plan for 2016/17 to 2019/20 which includes Budget estimates for the 2016/17 financial year.

Copies are available from the Council's website and front desk. Public comments should be made in writing addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, PO Box 1071, Alice Springs, NT 0871 by Monday 20 June 2016.

For the 2016/2017 financial year the Municipal Plan proposes an increase in rate income of 3%. The waste management collection annual service charge will increase by \$10.

For more details please contact Council's Director Finance on 8950 0500.

Rex Mooney
Chief Executive Officer
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Minor Amendments to the Draft Municipal Plan 2016-17 to 2019-20

Page 40 – Added Disposal of Cardboard – Residential. No Charge

Page 40 – Added Disposal of Cardboard – Commercial. Fee per tonne. \$82.50 (inclusive of gst)

Page 40 – Added Disposal of Cardboard – Commercial. Handling Fee for Contaminated or Un-sorted cardboard. \$60.50 (inclusive of gst)

Page 43 – Credit Card Payments, edited amount from 0.55% to 0.24%

Page 43 – Debit Card Payments, edited amount from 0.55c to 0.08c