

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD ON
MONDAY 13 JULY 2020

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic this meeting was held via Zoom

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor D. Ryan
Councillor G. Auricht (Chair)
Councillor J. Cocking
Councillor J. de Brenni
Councillor E. Melky
Councillor M. Paterson
Councillor J. Price

OFFICERS: Ms S. Taylor - Acting Chief Executive Officer
Mr S. Allen - Director Technical Services
Ms S. Dominguez - Executive Assistant (Minutes)

The meeting was declared open at 5:30 pm

1. APOLOGIES

Robert Jennings - Chief Executive Officer

2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 Minutes - Corporate Services - 15 June 2020

RESOLVED

That it be a recommendation to Council

That the minutes of the Open Section of the Corporate Services Committee meeting held on 15 June 2020 be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of those meetings.

(42cs)

CARRIED

4.2 Business Arising

Nil

5. IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

5.1 Identification of items for discussion

The following items were withdrawn for discussion:

9.1, 9.2, 9.3, 9.4, 9.5

5.2 Identification of items to be raised in General Business by Elected Members and Officers

Nil

6. DEPUTATIONS

Nil

7. PETITIONS

Nil

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

9. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.1 Corporate Services Directorate Update
Report No. 148/20 cs (DCS)

This report provides an update of current Corporate Services projects, programs and events.

RESOLVED

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the July 2020 Corporate Services Directorate Update be received and noted.

(43 cs)

A explanation was requested in regard to *Attachment 2 - Balance Sheet of Attachment A - Financial Reports* and the reduction in *Cash Assets - Investments* from the 29 February 2020 report (\$42,172,626) to date, 30 June 2020 (\$39,618,081).

Action:

The Acting CEO to provide information in regard to the reduction in *Cash Asset - Investments* from the 29 February 2020 to 30 June 2020 *Balance Sheets*.

Councillor Cocking and Mayor Ryan noted they had sent through responses in regard to the '*Meetings Declaration Reports tracker*' in *Attachment C*.

Action:

Manager Governance to amend the '*Meetings Declaration Reports tracker*' in *Attachment C* to include Mayor Ryan and Councillor Cocking's responses.

9.2 Council Policy Rescission
Report No: 149/20cs

This report proposes a list of policies for rescission.

RESOLVED

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Council rescind the following Elected Member policies due to their operational nature or because they are extensively covered by legislation:

- i. **Child Safety**
- ii. **Community Participation Local Government Decision Making**
- iii. **Community Participation Question Time**
- iv. **Council Facility Hire**
- v. **Equal Employment Opportunity**
- vi. **Naming, Renaming of Council Facilities**
- vii. **Rural Road Reserve Maintenance**
- viii. **Rural Road Reserve Management PSD**
- ix. **Schools Annual Awards Presentations**
- x. **Swimming Centre**
- xi. **Third Party Upgrades of Council Facilities**
- xii. **Work Experience and Training Programmes**
- xiii. **Workplace Drug and Alcohol Use**

(44 cs)

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation from the Corporate Services Committee to Council

1. **That Council create a \$10k budget line to offer a \$2.5k bursary, every year, to a year twelve student at each of the four senior Alice Springs Schools (Yirara College, Centralian Senior College, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College, and St. Philips College), and**
2. **That a condition on the bursary be, that the nominated student has two years to claim on the bursary for the purpose of higher education**

(45 cs)

Action:

Officers to make amendments to *Policy 222 - School Annual Awards Presentation*, to reflect the recommendation made in regard to \$2.5K bursaries for senior Alice Springs Schools and present at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be endorsed by Council.

9.3 Elected Member Code of Conduct
Report No. 150/20 cs

This report provides a revised Elected Member Code of Conduct, for adoption by Council, which applies best practice and complies with the *Local Government Act 2008*.

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That In accordance with Section 78(1)(a) of the Local Government Act 2008, Council adopt the revised Elected Member Code of Conduct provided at Attachment A.

(46 cs)

9.4 LGANT Executive Call for Nominations and Disciplinary Committee
Report No. 165/20 cs

This report seeks Council's nominations for local government representatives as part of the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT) Executive Board and the pool of LGANT nominees to be available to sit upon a Disciplinary Committee.

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

A. That Council nominates Elected Member(s) in response to the LGANT call for nominations to be a member of the LGANT Executive Board.

President: Councillor Cocking

Moved: Councillor Melky

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President: Councillor de Brenni

Moved: Councillor Auricht

Seconded: Councillor Price

Vice President (Municipal): Councillor Cocking

Moved: Councillor Melky

Seconded: Councillor Paterson

Vice President (Municipal): Councillor de Brenni

Moved: Mayor Ryan

Seconded: Councillor Price

Board Member (Municipal): Councillor de Brenni

Moved: Mayor Ryan

Seconded: Councillor Price

Board Member (Municipal): Councillor Melky (Not accepted)

Moved: Councillor Paterson

B. That Council forwards the above nomination(s) and a short biography to LGANT no later than Friday, 7 August 2020.

(47 cs)

(A & B) **CARRIED**

C. That Council nominates Elected Member(s) in response to the LGANT call for nominations to be a member of the Disciplinary Committee pool.

Disciplinary Committee Nomination: Councillor Price

Moved: Mayor Ryan

Seconded: Councillor Paterson

Disciplinary Committee Nomination: Councillor Melky (Not accepted)

Moved: Councillor de Brenni

Disciplinary Committee Nomination: Councillor Cocking (Not accepted)

Moved: Councillor de Brenni

Disciplinary Committee Nomination: Councillor Auricht

Moved: Councillor Price

Seconded: Councillor Cocking

D. That Council forwards the above nomination(s) for the disciplinary committee pool to LGANT no later than Friday, 17 July 2020.

(48 cs)

(C & D) **UNANIMOUS**

Moved: Mayor Ryan

Seconded: Councillor de Brenni

9.5 NTG Funding Proposal for Local Business Stimulus Initiative - COVID-19
Report No. 167/20 cs

This report provides advice regarding an NT Government invitation to all NT local governments, to apply for matched funding of up to \$200K for the purpose of implementing a rebranded version of the 'MyDarwin' local business voucher scheme in the respective local government areas, as a COVID-19 stimulus measure.

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Council commit \$200,000 from the COVID-19 Reserve for the purpose of providing local business discount vouchers through the implementation of a rebranded version of the 'MyDarwin' stimulus initiative in Alice Springs, subject to the successful application for matched funding from the NT Government.

(49 cs)

UNANIMOUS

Moved: Deputy Mayor Paterson

Seconded: Mayor Ryan

Councillor Auricht left the room at 6:39pm

Councillor Cocking assumed the role of Acting Chairperson at 6:39pm

Councillor Auricht returned to the room and resumed the role of Chair at 6:41pm

10. REPORTS OF ADVISORY AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

Nil

11. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

12. NEXT MEETING: **Monday, 17 August 2020**

The meeting stands adjourned and resumes in the Confidential Section.

The meeting adjourned at 6:54 pm

Confirmed on _____

CHAIRPERSON _____

Date _____