



REPORT CULTURE, ECONOMY AND CORPORATE COMMITTEE 9 NOVEMBER 2020

PRESENT: Councillors J Diffey, D Grant, D Gumley, S Lawrence, G Mohr, K Parker, J Ryan and B Shields.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

The Chief Executive Officer, the Executive Manager CEO Services, the Governance and Internal Control Manager, the Administration Officer Mayor, the Communications Partner, the Director Organisational Performance, the Director Culture and Economy, the Director Infrastructure, the Director Development and Environment (S Jennings) and the Director Liveability.

Councillor D Gumley assumed chairmanship of the meeting.

The proceedings of the meeting commenced at 5:40pm.

CEC20/44 INVESTMENTS UNDER SECTION 625 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT - OCTOBER 2020 (ID20/1300)

The Committee had before it the report dated 2 November 2020 from the Chief Financial Officer regarding Investments Under Section 625 of the Local Government Act - October 2020.

Moved by Councillor D Grant and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

That the information contained within the report of the Chief Financial Officer dated 2 November 2020, be noted.

CARRIED

Councillor K Parker declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the matter now before the Committee and left the room and was out of sight during the Committee's consideration of this matter. The reason for such interest is that Councillor K Parker is an employee of the Bank of Queensland and Council has funds invested with the Institution.

CEC20/45 EXTENSION OF THE EXISTING COVID-19 RATES FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICY (ID20/1299)

The Committee had before it the report dated 2 November 2020 from the Chief Financial Officer regarding Extension of the Existing COVID-19 Rates Financial Assistance Policy.

Moved by Councillor B Shields and seconded by Councillor J Diffey

MOTION

1. That the updated COVID-19 Rates Financial Assistance Policy, as attached to the report of the Chief Financial Officer dated 2 November 2020 as Appendix 1, be adopted.
2. That no interest be applied to outstanding Rates and Charges to Ratepayers who make a successful application under the COVID-19 Rates Financial Assistance Policy for the period 1 December 2020 to 31 March 2021.

CARRIED

CEC20/46 POLICY FOR REVIEW - POLICY FOR THE PROVISION OF INFORMATION TO AND INTERACTION BETWEEN COUNCILLORS AND STAFF (ID20/1332)

The Committee had before it the report dated 19 October 2020 from the Internal Ombudsman regarding Policy for review - Policy for the Provision of Information to and Interaction Between Councillors and Staff.

Moved by Councillor G Mohr and seconded by Councillor D Grant

MOTION

That the attached draft Policy for the Provision of Information to and Interaction between Councillors and Staff be approved.

CARRIED

CEC20/47 DESTINATION DUBBO: INTERNATIONAL READY - QUARTERLY PROJECT UPDATE (ID20/1235)

The Committee had before it the report dated 1 October 2020 from the Tourism Product Development Manager regarding Destination Dubbo: International Ready - Quarterly Project Update.

Moved by Councillor J Diffey and seconded by Councillor G Mohr

MOTION

That the information contained within the report dated 1 October 2020 from the Tourism Product Development Manager be noted.

CARRIED

At this juncture the meeting adjourned, the time being 5:42pm.

The meeting recommenced at 5:44pm.

CEC20/48 DESTINATION DUBBO: INTERNATIONAL READY PROJECT - OLD DUBBO GAOL PLAZA - KINETIC ARTWORK - SUPPLIER BY PREFERENCE (ID20/1337)

The Committee had before it the report dated 20 October 2020 from the Chief Executive Officer regarding Destination Dubbo: International Ready Project - Old Dubbo Gaol Plaza - Kinetic Artwork - Supplier by preference.

Moved by Councillor J Ryan and seconded by Councillor G Mohr

MOTION

The Committee recommends that members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of this item, the reason being that the matter concerned information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it (Section 10A(2)(d)(i)).

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor J Ryan and seconded by Councillor S Lawrence

MOTION

That Council approve the engagement of UAP Company for the delivery of an artist-led kinetic artwork as part of the Old Dubbo Gaol plaza project under Supplier by Preference as UAP is the only company in Australia to provide this specialised service and the quote is within project budget.

CARRIED

CEC20/49 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Requests for leave of absence were received from Councillor V Etheridge who was absent from the meeting due to personal reasons whilst Councillor A Jones was previously granted leave of absence from this meeting by Council (refer Clause CCL20/165b).

Moved by Councillor J Diffey and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

That such requests for leave of absence be accepted and Councillor V Etheridge be granted leave of absence from this meeting and it be noted that Councillor A Jones had been previously granted leave of absence from this meeting by Council.

The meeting closed at 5:45pm.

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CHAIRMAN