

# REPORT CULTURE, ECONOMY AND CORPORATE COMMITTEE 11 OCTOBER 2021

**PRESENT:** Councillors J Diffey, V Etheridge, A Jones, S Lawrence, K Parker and J Ryan.

### ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

The Chief Executive Officer, the Governance Team Leader, the Administration Officer Governance, the Communications Partner, the Director Organisational Performance (M Howlett), the Director Culture and Economy, the Director Infrastructure, the Director Development and Environment and the Director Liveability.

Councillor J Diffey assumed chairmanship of the meeting.

The proceedings of the meeting commenced at 5.39 pm.

# **CEC21/31 LEAVE OF ABSENCE (ID21/1760)**

Requests for leave of absence were received from Councillors D Grant and G Mohr who were absent from the meeting due to personal reasons.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

#### MOTION

That such requests for Leave of Absence be accepted and Councillors D Grant and G Mohr be granted leave of absence from this meeting

**CARRIED** 

# CEC21/32 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (ID21/1799)

The following declarations were made:

Councillor K Parker – CEC21/36

# CEC21/33 DRTCC - COVID-19 RECOVERY OFFER EXTENSION (ID21/1636)

The Committee had before it the report dated 22 September 2021 from the Manager Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre regarding DRTCC - COVID-19 Recovery Offer Extension.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor S Lawrence

### **MOTION**

- 1. That the information contained within the report of the Manager Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre, date 22 September 2021, be noted.
- 2. That the COVID-19 Recovery Offer be extended to clients from 1 October 2021 to 31 December 2021, depending on the capacity restrictions of Public Health Orders due to COVID-19.
- 3. That the COVID-19 Recovery Offer consist of a percentage discount for the Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre, including Wellington Civic Centre, for professional/commercial, performing arts businesses, community/not-for-profit and schools/registered charity, noting that this does not include public holidays. All other fees and charges remain the same.
- 4. That any changes to the percentage discount in relation to changes in the Public Health Order will be approved by the Director Culture and Economy.
- 5. That Council cease the COVID-19 Recovery Offer should full capacity of venues be allowed within four weeks of an event.
- 6. That full venue hire fees apply as per the Revenue Policy as of 1 January 2022.

**CARRIED** 

# CEC21/34 POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (ID21/1757)

The Committee had before it the report dated 30 September 2021 from the Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control regarding Power of Attorney for the Chief Executive Officer.

Moved by Councillor J Ryan and seconded by Councillor K Parker

### MOTION

- That the report of the Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control, dated 30 September 2021, be noted.
- 2. That Council extend the Power of Attorney granted to Mr Murray Alexander Wood, in effect since 11 June 2021, in accordance with the draft General Power of Attorney attached to the report as Appendix 1.
- 3. That the General Power of Attorney be executed under the Common Seal of the Council.
- 4. That Council review the delegation of Power of Attorney to the Chief Executive Officer within three months of the newly instated Council.
- 5. That the Chief Executive Officer report to Council every three months on all

documents signed under the prescribed Power of Attorney.

**CARRIED** 

# CEC21/35 DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (ID21/1758)

The Committee had before it the report dated 30 September 2021 from the Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control regarding Delegation of Authority to the Chief Executive Officer.

Moved by Councillor V Etheridge and seconded by Councillor A Jones

## **MOTION**

- 1. That the Delegation of Authority to the interim Chief Executive Officer be as contained in the document attached to the report of the Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control, dated 30 September 2021 as Appendix 1.
- 2. That, as per Section 380 of the Local Government Act, a review of delegations be undertaken within 12 months of the declaration of results of the 2021 Local Government Elections.

**CARRIED** 

# CEC21/36 INVESTMENTS UNDER SECTION 625 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT - SEPTEMBER 2021 (ID21/1627)

The Committee had before it the report dated 1 October 2021 from the Chief Financial Officer regarding Investments Under Section 625 of the Local Government Act - September 2021.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor S Lawrence

### **MOTION**

That the information contained within the report of the Chief Financial Officer, dated 1 October 2021 be noted.

**CARRIED** 

Councillor K Parker declared a pecuniary, 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 Bank of Queensland.

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The meeting closed at 5.43 pm.	
CHAIRMAN	