CITY OF COCKBURN

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 30 JULY 2002 AT 7:30 P.M.

PRESENT:

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mr S Lee	-	Mayor
Mr R Graham	-	Deputy Mayor
Ms A Tilbury	-	Councillor
Mr I Whitfield	-	Councillor
Mr A Edwards	-	Councillor
Mr K Allen	-	Councillor
Mr L Humphreys	-	Councillor
Mrs N Waters	-	Councillor
Mrs V Oliver	-	Councillor

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr R. Brown	-	Chief Executive Officer
Mr D. Green	-	Director Community Services
Mr A. Crothers	-	Director, Finance & Corporate Services
Mr B. Greay	-	Director, Engineering & Works
Mr A. Blood	-	Acting Director, Planning & Development
Mr K. Lapham	-	Manager, Finance
Mr R. Avard	-	Manager, Community Services
Mrs B. Pinto	-	Secretary, Finance & Corporate Services
Mr C. Ellis	-	Communications Manager

1655. (AG Item 1) DECLARATION OF MEETING

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 7.30 pm.

1656. (AG Item 2) APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDING MEMBER (If required)

Nil

1657. (AG Item 3) DISCLAIMER (Read aloud by Presiding Member) Members of the public who attend Council Meetings, should not act immediately on anything they hear at the Meetings, without first seeking clarification of Council's position. Persons are advised to wait for written advice from the Council prior to taking action on any matter that they may have before Council.

1658. (AG Item 4.1) (SCM1_7_2002) - ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF WRITTEN DECLARATIONS OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS (by Presiding Member)

Nil

1659. (AG Item 5.1) (SCM1_7_2002) - APOLOGIES & LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Clr M. Reeve-Fowkes Apology

1660. (AG Item 6.1) (SCM1_7_2002) - PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Colin Crook, Spearwood spoke in relation to Naval Base Caravan Park. He noted that funds of \$40,000 was being placed in the Reserve Fund on this year's Budget as opposed to \$36,000 allocated in previous years. At the same time \$60,000 was being spent to upgrade the roads in the park. He questioned the appropriateness of drawing the funds for the purpose given that the Reserve Account is named Naval Base Chalet Resort. Mayor Lee requested Director, Finance and Corporate Services to respond to which he replied that majority of the funds will be used to reinstate the reserve when the lease expires. Only portion of these funds will be used for the maintenance and resurfacing of the roads within the park. The Reserve Account was established for the purpose of reinstating the reserve when the lease expires and to undertake maintenance as necessary and therefore the Reserve contains funds for both purposes.

Mayor Lee thanked Mr. Crook.

1661. (AG Item 7.1) (SCM1_7_2002) - DECLARATION BY COUNCILLORS WHO HAVE NOT GIVEN DUE CONSIDERATION TO MATTERS CONTAINED IN THE BUSINESS PAPER PRESENT BEFORE THE MEETING

Nil

1662. (AG Item 8.1) (SCM1_7_2002) - PURPOSE OF MEETING

The purpose of the Meeting is to adopt the Municipal Budget for the financial year 2002/03.

1663. (AG Item 9.1) (SCM1_7_2002) - MUNICIPAL BUDGET 2002/03 - SCHEDULES (5402) (ATC) (ATTACH)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- (1) receive the report by the Director, Finance and Corporate Services on the Municipal Budget 2002/03;
- (2) include the items listed in the following schedules in the 2002/03 Municipal Budget, as attached to the Agenda:
 - 1. New/Increased Projects
 - 2. New Staff
 - 3. Donations/Contributions
 - 4. Information Technology
 - 5. Furniture and Equipment
 - 6. South Lake Leisure Centre Capital
 - 7. Roads Infrastructure
 - 8. Footpaths Infrastructure
 - 9. Parks Infrastructure
 - 10. Environmental Projects and Studies
 - 11. Buildings Infrastructure
 - 12. Major Building Maintenance
 - 13. Waste Services Capital Requirements
 - 14. Major Plant Replacement Program
 - 15. Light Fleet Replacement Program
 - 16. Minor Plant
 - 17. Community Safety Projects
 - 18. Social Services General Projects
 - 19. List of Fees and Charges

- 20. Transfers to Reserve Fund
- 21. Carried Forward Projects/Programs

TO BE CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL

COUNCIL DECISION

MOVED CIr Waters SECONDED CIr Whitfield that Council:

- (1) receive the report by the Director, Finance and Corporate Services on the Municipal Budget 2002/03;
- (2) include the items listed in the following schedules in the 2002/03 Municipal Budget, as attached to the Agenda, subject to Schedule 7 - Roads Infrastructure having Account Nos.692705 and 692030 amended to reflect the grant as being \$340,931 instead of \$511,396:
 - 1. New/Increased Projects
 - 2. New Staff
 - 3. Donations/Contributions
 - 4. Information Technology
 - 5. Furniture and Equipment
 - 6. South Lake Leisure Centre Capital
 - 7. Roads Infrastructure
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CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL 9/0

Explanation

Recent advice received from the Department of Transport and Regional Services has indicated that Council will only be receiving two-thirds of the allocation to Roads to Recovery Grant funds. The balance will be made up in the 2004/05 financial year.

Background

Council is required to adopt an annual budget by 31 August each financial year.

Submission

N/A

Report

A report by the Director, Finance and Corporate Services on the 2002/03 Municipal Budget is attached to the Agenda, together with schedules of items included in the proposed Budget. Items considered but not included in the proposed Budget are also attached to the report.

Strategic Plan/Policy Implications

The Budget provides funds for Council's activities in 2002/03.

Budget/Financial Implications

The above recommendations have been included in the proposed Budget for 2002/03.

Implications of Section 3.18(3) Local Government Act, 1995

Nil.

1664. (AG Item) (SCM1_7_2002) - PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT ON RESERVES - GLEN IRIS (5402) (ATC)

COUNCIL DECISION

MOVED CIr Tilbury SECONDED Mayor Lee that Council:

- (1) provide the sum of \$10,000 for the provision of playground equipment on various reserves within the Glen Iris area, the location of which to be determined in consultation with the Glen Iris Residents' Association; and
- (2) the funds for the project be drawn from the Community Facilities Reserve Fund.

MOTION LOST 7/2

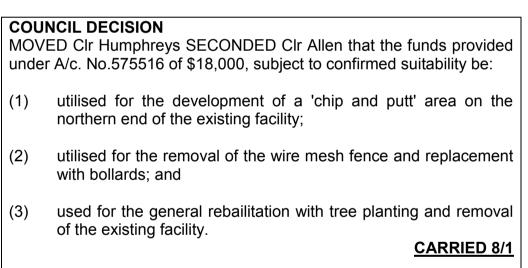
1665. (AG Item) (SCM1_7_2002) - TOURISM DEVELOPMENT -FREMANTLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (5402) (ATC)

COUNCIL DECISION

MOVED Deputy Mayor Graham SECONDED Clr Oliver that a report be presented to a future Council meeting providing details on the intended use of the budgeted funds of \$7,000 (A/c. No.720463) with such report to confirm contributions to be made from other sources including local governments and associations, prior to any contribution being committed.

CARRIED 9/0

1666. (AG Item) (SCM1_7_2002) - BIBRA LAKE GOLFING FACILITY (5402) (ATC)



1667. (AG Item) (SCM1_7_2002) - PROVISION OF BANNER POLES -ROCKINGHAM ROAD (5402) (ATC)

COUNCIL DECISION

MOVED CIr Allen SECONDED CIr Humphreys that a report be presented to a future Council meeting with regard to the provision of banner poles in Rockingham Road which will facilitate the erection of Christmas lights and decorations, prior to the expenditure as provided for in A/c. No.625800.

CARRIED 9/0

Explanation

Further analysis in regard to determining the location and number of poles, capacity to connect to power and other functional administrative processes to be applied in arranging suitable banners.

1668. (AG Item 9.2) (SCM1_7_2002) - MUNICIPAL BUDGET 2002/03 - DIFFERENTIAL RATES (5402) (ATC)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the following in its 2002/03 Municipal Budget:

(1) the rate in the dollar and minimum rate for Council's rate categories are:

Category	Minimum Rate	Rate in \$
Residential Improved	425.00	6.0525
Commercial/Industrial Improved	634.00	6.0525
Residential/Vacant	425.00	10.4841
Commercial/Industrial Vacant	634.00	10.4841
UFL Residential Improved	425.00	5.4473
UFL Residential Vacant	425.00	9.4357
Rural/Resource	425.00	0.4046
UFL Rural	425.00	0.3642

(2) the charges for rubbish services be as follows:

- 1. The Rubbish Collection Charge be levied at \$161.00 per assessed collection service for a weekly domestic rubbish collection, with a mobile bin levy of \$27.00 applying to ratepayers who received their bin after 1 July 1998.
- 2. The Rubbish Collection Charge be levied for non-rateable properties at an annual rate of \$274.00 per assessed service for a weekly collection.
- 3. The Commercial, Industrial and Residential premises be charged \$161.00 per assessed service for a bulk service weekly collection, with a bulk bin levy of \$27.00 for all bins delivered after 1 July 1998.
- 4. The new rubbish services commencing during the year 2002/03 be levied a mobile bin service charge of \$27.00

and a pro-rata charge based on \$161.00 p.a.

- (3) a discount of 5% be allowed on current rates provided that all rates and charges due are paid within thirty-five(35) days of the date of issue of the rate notice;
- (4) offer payment options for Rates and Service Charges of:
 - 1. Pay in full and receive discount (on current rates only).
 - 2. Pay in two instalments.
 - 3. Pay in four instalments.

Provided that in all cases the first payment must be received within thirty-five(35) days of the issue date of the Rate Notice;

- (5) sets the following payment dates for instalment options:
 - 1. Two instalments
 - First payment due 17 September 2002
 - Second payment due 21 January 2003
 - 2. Four instalments
 - First payment due 17 September 2002
 - Second payment due 19 November 2002
 - Third payment due 21 January 2003
 - Fourth payment due 25 March 2003
- (6) charge an administration fee of \$5.00 for the second and subsequent instalments;
- (7) the interest rate on instalment payments be 5.5% per annum and the late payment interest rate be 11% per annum;
- (8) once-off extensions up to sixty(60) days be charged instalment interest from the due date but no administration fee; and
- (9) the Rates Incentive Scheme prizes apply for full payment within thirty-five(35) days of the date of issue of the rate notice.

TO BE CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL

COUNCIL DECISION

MOVED Clr Waters SECONDED Clr Oliver that Council adopt the following in its 2002/03 Municipal Budget:

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Residential/Vacant	425.00	10.4841			
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UFL Residential Vacant	425.00	9.4357			
Rural/Resource	425.00	0.4046			
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 - 1. The Rubbish Collection Charge be levied at \$161.00 per assessed collection service for a weekly domestic rubbish collection, with a mobile bin levy of \$27.00 applying to ratepayers who received their bin after 1 July 1998.
 - 2. The Rubbish Collection Charge be levied for non-rateable properties at an annual rate of \$274.00 per assessed service for a weekly collection.
 - 3. The Commercial, Industrial and Residential premises be charged \$161.00 per assessed service for a bulk service weekly collection, with a bulk bin levy of \$27.00 for all bins delivered after 1 July 1998.
 - 4. The new rubbish services commencing during the year 2002/03 be levied a mobile bin service charge of \$27.00 and a pro-rata charge based on \$161.00 p.a.
- (3) a discount of 5% be allowed on current rates provided that all rates and charges due are paid within thirty-five(35) days of the date of issue of the rate notice;
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- (9) the Rates Incentive Scheme prizes apply for full payment within thirty-five(35) days of the date of issue of the rate notice.
- (10) impose a Service Charge of \$60.00 under Section 6.38(1) of the Local Government Act 1995 on each property owner in the Beeliar Panorama Gardens district to meet the cost of providing Security Patrols in that district.
 CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL 9/0

Explanation

Clause (10) was required to authorise the Service Charge for Security Patrols in the Beeliar - Panorama Gardens district as previously agreed by Council

Background

Council is required to adopt an annual Budget by 31 August each year.

Submission

N/A

Report

The recommendations shown above relate to the rate in the dollar to be charged, rubbish service charges, discount, payment options and penalty interest rates in the proposed Budget for 2002/03.

Strategic Plan/Policy Implications

The Budget provides funds for Council's activities in 2002/03.

Budget/Financial Implications

The above recommendations are included in the proposed Budget for 2002/03.

Implications of Section 3.18(3) Local Government Act, 1995

Nil.

1669. (AG Item 9.3) (SCM1_7_2002) - ADOPTION OF MUNICIPAL BUDGET 2002/03 (5402) (ATC) (ATTACH)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the Municipal budget for 2002/03 as attached to the Agenda.

TO BE CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL

COUNCIL DECISION

MOVED CIr Humphreys SECONDED CIr Whitfield that Council adopt the Municipal Budget for 2002/03, as attached to the Agenda and as amended at this meeting.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL 9/0

Background

Council is required to adopt an annual Budget by 31 August each year.

Submission

N/A

Report

The Municipal Budget, in the required AAS27 format, is attached to the Agenda.

Strategic Plan/Policy Implications

The Budget provides funds for Council's activities in 2002/03.

Budget/Financial Implications

The above recommendation adopts the Budget for 2002/03.

Implications of Section 3.18(3) Local Government Act, 1995

Nil.

1670. (AG Item 10.1) (SCM1_7_2002) - RESOLUTION OF COMPLIANCE (Section 3.18(3), Local Government Act 1995)

RECOMMENDATION

Council is satisfied that resolutions carried at this Meeting and applicable to items concerning Council provided services and facilities, are:-

- (a) integrated and co-ordinated, so far as practicable, with any provided by the Commonwealth, the State or any public body;
- (b) not duplicated, to an extent Council considers inappropriate, services or facilities as provided by the Commonwealth, the State or any other body or person, whether public or private; and
- (c) managed efficiently and effectively.

COUNCIL DECISION MOVED Clr Waters SECONDED Clr Edwards that the recommendation be adopted. CARRIED 9/0

Mayor Lee thanked Mr Crothers - Director, Finance and Corporate Services and his staff for doing an excellent job in the preparation of the Budget papers. He congratulated Mr Crothers on his professionalism and also thanked the Directors and other staff involved in the process.

MEETING CLOSED 7.58 PM

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

I, (Presiding Member) declare that these minutes have been confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.