



SPECIAL COUNCIL

PUBLIC MINUTES

WEDNESDAY 24 JUNE 2015 AT 9.00 AM

Council Members >>

The Mayor, Councillor Jenny Hill
Councillor Suzanne Blom
Councillor Colleen Doyle
Councillor Gary Eddiehausen APM
Councillor Pat Ernst
Councillor Ray Gartrell
Councillor Jenny Lane
Councillor Anthony Parsons
Councillor Trevor Roberts
Councillor Vern Veitch
Councillor Les Walker

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Goals and Strategies of Townsville City Council >>

Corporate Plan >>

- Goal 1:** Economic Sustainability - A strong diverse economy which provides opportunities for business and investment with an integrated approach to long term planning where the city's assets meet the community needs.
- 1.1 Create economic opportunities for Townsville to drive community prosperity.
 - 1.2 Maximise opportunities through engagement and partnership with stakeholder achieve a strong resilient economy.
 - 1.3 Utilise the City Plan to inform the development of current and future infrastructure needs of Townsville.
 - 1.4 Promote and market Townsville as a vibrant destination for commerce, entertainment and lifestyle.
- Goal 2:** Environmental Sustainability - A sustainable future where our environment is valued through the protection and enhancement of our unique, natural and built environment with a commitment to reducing our environmental impact.
- 2.1 Effective management, protection and conservation of our environment to ensure a balance between built infrastructure and areas of environmental significance.
 - 2.2 Implement an effective integrated demand management approach to infrastructure planning and delivery.
 - 2.3 Preserve our natural environment through active management, education and compliance activities.
 - 2.4 Adopt urban design principles that create a distinct sense of place, enables and informs place creation, maximises efficiency, and enhances the built and natural environment.
 - 2.5 Research and implement environmental solutions utilising innovative smart technology and encourage behaviour change.
- Goal 3:** Social Sustainability - A vibrant community that is accessible, safe, healthy, creative and knowledgeable, where we embrace diversity and our sense of community.
- 3.1 Encourage active and healthy lifestyles through accessible public facilities and community initiatives.
 - 3.2 Support the community's access to and participation in a range of artistic, cultural and entertainment activities.
 - 3.3 Enhance wellbeing and safety in the community.
 - 3.4 Enhance a knowledgeable, inclusive and connected community that embraces growth and lifelong learning.
 - 3.5 Provide community infrastructure and services that support growth and meets community needs.
- Goal 4:** Responsible Governance - A well-managed, transparent and effective organisation that gives the community confidence, demonstrates financial sustainability, where our customers are satisfied with our services and our employees are proud to work here.
- 4.1 Undertake robust and accountable financial, resource and infrastructure planning and management to ensure affordable and sustainable outcomes for our community.
 - 4.2 Deliver best value customer service to our community.
 - 4.3 Enable innovation and technology capacity within council to drive organisational efficiencies.
 - 4.4 Engage with the community to inform council decision making processes.
 - 4.5 Provide inspirational leadership and contemporary management systems that drives a coordinated, motivated, highly effective and efficient organisation.
 - 4.6 Commit to open transparent and accountable governance to ensure community confidence and trust in council.
 - 4.7 Promote an organisational culture that values and empowers its workforce.

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REPORT	COUNCIL MEETING
DATE	Wednesday 24 June 2015 at 9.00am
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PRESENT	The Mayor, Councillor J Hill Councillor V Veitch Councillor S Blom Councillor C Doyle Councillor G Eddiehausen APM Councillor P Ernst Councillor R Gartrell Councillor J Lane Councillor A Parsons Councillor T Roberts Councillor L Walker

Opening of Meeting

The Chair, Mayor Councillor J Hill opened the meeting at 9.00am.

Officers Reports

Corporate Services

1 Finance - Proposed Budget 2015/16

Executive Summary

The 2015/16 Draft Budget was presented to council by the Mayor, Councillor J Hill, at its meeting held on 10 June 2015, in accordance with Sections 12(4)(b) and 107A of the *Local Government Act 2009*. Council has analysed the detailed supporting documentation of the 2015/16 Budget at the budget workshops held on 11, 15, 17 and 22 June 2015.

It is planned to adopt the Operational Plan and Budget 2015/16 on 7 July 2015 at the Annual Budget Meeting scheduled for 9:00am that day.

The purpose of the meeting today, 24 June 2015, is for council to provide direction on any amendments to the 2015/16 Draft Budget proposed by the Mayor, if necessary. Any such amendments will be made to the 2015/16 Budget documentation ahead of the Annual Budget Meeting scheduled for 7 July 2015.

Officer's Recommendation

That council resolve to amend the 2015/16 Draft Budget that was presented by the Mayor, Councillor J Hill, at its meeting held on 10 June 2015, as indicated.

Council Decision

It was MOVED by the Mayor, Councillor J Hill, SECONDED by Councillor S Blom:

1. "that council amend the 2015/16 Draft Budget that was presented by the Mayor, Councillor J Hill, at its meeting held on 10 June 2015, as discussed at Councillors Workshops held on 11, 15, 17 and 23 June 2015 as follows:
 - a) Operational Budget:
 - Multi-Unit dwellings new rating category +\$230,000 Rev
 - b) Capital Works Budget:
 - Mariners Drive Pathway +\$413,000 Exp
 - High Vista off-leash dog park +\$110,000 Exp
 - Jezzine Park Playground +\$2M Exp
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2. that council note the following additional adjustments to the 2015/16 Draft Budget: Operational Budget
 - Former QR North Yards site clean-up works +\$150,000 Exp
 - Adjustment to payroll tax -\$180,000 Exp
3. that the 2015/16 Draft Budget as amended be presented to the Special Meeting of 7 July 2015 for formal adoption."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor A Parsons congratulated the Chief Executive Officer and staff for their work on the budget.

Councillor L Walker thanked the Mayor, Councillor J Hill for her work over her term (as Mayor) with regards to the budget and financial management.

The Mayor, Councillor J Hill thanked the Councillors for their cooperation and input with regards to the budget and also thanked the staff for their input.

Close of Meeting

The Chair, Mayor J Hill declared the meeting closed at 9.20am.

CONFIRMED this TWENTY- EIGHTH day of JULY 2015

MAYOR

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER