

SPECIAL COUNCIL PUBLIC MINUTES

MONDAY 10 JULY 2017 AT 8.30AM

Council Members >>

The Mayor, Councillor Jenny Hill
Councillor Russ Cook
Councillor Verena Coombe
Councillor Colleen Doyle
Councillor Ann-Maree Greaney
Councillor Paul Jacob
Councillor Mark Molachino
Councillor Kurt Rehbein
Councillor Margie Ryder
Councillor Maurie Soars
Councillor Les Walker

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Corporate Plan >>

Goal 1 - A Prosperous City

Deliver a strong and innovative economy for Townsville with sustainable growth and support for local jobs and businesses.

- 1.1 Support local businesses, major industries, local innovation and employment growth.
- 1.2 Promote our economic and geographic strengths and market Townsville as a vibrant destination for commerce, education, research, tourism, entertainment and lifestyle.
- 1.3 Plan, support, provide and advocate for infrastructure and investment that supports innovation, residential and economic growth.
- 1.4 Maximize opportunities for economic growth by building and maintaining effective partnerships.

Goal 2 - A City for People

Enhance people's experience of Townsville as a liveable and vibrant city by providing services that support the growth of an inclusive, knowledgeable, active, safe and healthy community.

- 2.1 Provide services and local infrastructure that meet community expectations, support growth and provide for the needs of our community.
- 2.2 Improve the liveability of Townsville and encourage active and healthy lifestyles by providing accessible public facilities and community infrastructure.
- 2.3 Improve the vibrancy of Townsville by supporting the community's access to, and participation in, a range of artistic, cultural and entertainment activities.
- 2.4 Enhance community knowledge of and access to council services to improve community wellbeing, health and safety.

Goal 3 - A Clean and Green City

Create a sustainable future for Townsville through the protection, maintenance and enhancement of our unique, natural and built environment.

- 3.1 Plan, design and deliver sustainable development and support this by actively managing the natural environment and increasing green infrastructure, at both a city, suburb and place level.
- 3.2 Develop and implement long term solutions for the management of water and waste that are socially, financially and environmentally sound.

Goal 4 - A Simpler, Faster, Better Council

Transform the Townsville City Council into a simpler, faster and better council that is easy to work with, and for, and gains community trust by being transparent and managing its resources.

- 4.1 Provide customer-focused services that meet the expectations of our community in a dynamic and adaptive manner.
- 4.2 Ensure that council's plans, services, decisions and priorities reflect the needs and expectations of the community.
- 4.3 Be a valued and committed employer who provides a productive, inclusive and respectful environment for staff and the community.
- 4.4 Improve financial sustainability and provide value and accountability to the community for the expenditure of public funds.
- 4.5 Ensure that public funds are expended efficiently and that council expenditure represents value for money whilst supporting the local economy.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Townsville City Council would like to acknowledge the Bindal and Wulgurukaba peoples as Traditional Owners of the land on which our Council operates. We pay respect to Elders past, present and future and value the traditions, culture and aspirations of the first Australians of this land. We acknowledge and hold in great significance the valuable contribution that Traditional Owners have made and continue to make within the Townsville Community.

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REPORT COUNCIL MEETING

DATE Monday 10 July 2017 at 8.30am

ITEMS 1

PRESENT The Mayor, Councillor J Hill

Councillor V Coombe
Councillor C Doyle
Councillor A Greaney
Councillor P Jacob
Councillor M Molachino
Councillor K Rehbein
Councillor M Ryder
Councillor M Soars
Councillor L Walker

Opening of Meeting

The Chair, the Mayor, Councillor J Hill opened the meeting at 8.30am.

Acknowledgement to Country

The Chair acknowledged the traditional owners of the land, the Wulgurukaba and the Bindal people, and paid respect to the elders past, present and future generations.

Apologies and Leave of Absence

It was MOVED by Councillor M Molachino, SECONDED by Councillor A Greaney:

"that the apology from Councillor R Cook be received and that for the purposes of Section 162(1)(e) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Councillor R Cook be granted leave of absence from this meeting."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Disclosure of Interests

There were no conflicts of interest or material personal interests declared.

Officers' Reports

Confidential Items

It was MOVED by Councillor M Molachino, SECONDED by Councillor V Coombe:

"that Council RESOLVE to close the meeting in accordance with Sections 275 (1)(e) and (h) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

Section 275 (e) contracts proposed to be made by it; and

Section 275 (h) other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the

interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a

financial advantage."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council discussed the item.

It was MOVED by Councillor M Molachino, SECONDED by Councillor V Coombe:

"that Council RESOLVE to open the meeting."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1 Confidential Report - Update on Economic Activation Opportunities

Executive Summary

This confidential report updates the Council on current economic activation opportunities and associated contract negotiations and if negotiations with proponents are successful, the steps required to be taken to activate the opportunities and any associated beneficial enterprises.

Council also considered the verbal comments provided by John Wagner at the meeting.

Officer's Recommendation

- 1. That the report and each attachment be deemed a confidential document and be treated as such in accordance with sections 171 and 200 (5) of the *Local Government Act 2009* and that the document remain confidential unless Council decides otherwise by resolution.
- 2. (a) That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to finalise negotiations with proponents regarding the economic activation opportunities discussed in closed session; and
 - (b) if negotiations with proponents in relation to the above-mentioned economic activation opportunities are successfully concluded on terms that the Chief Executive Officer considers most advantageous to Council, then as discussed in closed session, Council resolve to establish a beneficial enterprise and associated special purpose vehicle, as required.
- 3. Subject to Item 2(b), that Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to do all things necessary and to obtain any necessary approvals and/or make all necessary financial arrangements under the *Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangements Act 1982*, establish a special purpose vehicle and finalise and execute binding terms and agreements, as required, to support implementation of the above-mentioned opportunities.

Council Decision It was MOVED by the Mayor, Councillor J Hill, SECONDED by Councillor L Walker: "that the officer's recommendation be adopted." CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY Close of Meeting The Chair, Mayor Councillor J Hill declared the meeting closed at. 9.08am CONFIRMED this TWENTY-FIFTH day of JULY 2017

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

MAYOR