



SPECIAL COUNCIL

PUBLIC MINUTES

FRIDAY 18 JULY 2014 AT 4.00PM

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	Friday 18 July 2014 at 4.00pm
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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 4.00pm.

Officers Report

Confidential Item

It was MOVED by Councillor P Ernst, SECONDED by Councillor G Eddiehausen:

"that council RESOLVE to close the meeting in accordance with Section 275 (c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

Section 275 (c) the local government's budget."

CARRIED

Council discussed the item.

It was MOVED by Councillor P Ernst, SECONDED by Councillor G Eddiehausen:

"that council RESOLVE to open the meeting."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1 Report to Council to repeal sections 6 & 7 of the Budget Meeting and amendment

CONFIDENTIAL REPORT TO COUNCIL

Authorised by The Mayor
Department Finance
Date 11 July 2014

Executive Summary

At its meeting on 8 July 2014 council considered the 242 pages of information detailing the 2014/15 Operational Plan and Budget, and made various resolutions adopting recommendations based upon that material. Subsequently it has been established that there was a typographical error at one place in that document.

While the error did not affect the budget information, to eliminate confusion it is necessary for the council to repeal the two resolutions that directly related to the erroneous material, and make fresh decisions using the corrected information.

Officer's Recommendation

1. That the report/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. That council resolve to repeal resolutions 6 and 7 made at the council meeting on 8 July 2014 because those decisions related to Attachment 2 – Appendix 9 – *Differential Rates, Limitations on Increases and Minimum General Rate*, being a document that contained a typographical error.
3. That, pursuant to section 116 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, council resolve that for 2014/15 the amount of general rates levied will not be more than the amount of general rates levied for the property for the previous financial year, plus the increase, for the relevant rating category, as set out in the attached document labelled *Attachment 2 – Appendix 9 – Differential Rates, Limitations on Increases and Minimum General Rate*, subject to:
 - the limitation not being available retrospectively and only applying from the beginning of the financial year; and
 - the limitation ceasing to apply on and from the 1st of July 2015 where the ownership of any land to which the limitation applied is transferred on or after 1 July 2014.
4. That, pursuant to part 4, part 5 and section 116 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, council resolve to set the differential general rates, minimum general rates and limitation of increase in rates levied for 2014/15 as set out as set out in the attached document labelled *Attachment 2 – Appendix 9 – Differential Rates, Limitations on Increases and Minimum General Rate*.
5. That council resolve that in order to avoid confusion when publishing the budget papers for the 2014/15 budget, the attached document labelled *Attachment 2 – Appendix 9 – Differential Rates, Limitations on Increases and Minimum General Rate* be published in substitution to the erroneous Attachment 2 – Appendix 9 that was presented to the meeting on 8 July 2014.

Council Decision

It was MOVED by Councillor V Veitch, 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 4.05pm.

CONFIRMED this

day of

2014

MAYOR

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER