



SPECIAL COUNCIL

PUBLIC MINUTES

FRIDAY 7 JUNE 2013 AT 1.06PM

THURSDAY 13 JUNE 2013 AT 1.12PM

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 robust, diverse and sustainable economy

The outcomes we want to achieve:

A robust, prosperous economy which provides opportunities for business and investment.

- 1.1 Promote investment and assist the development of emergent industries and businesses.
- 1.2 Engage with regional, state and national stakeholders in the creation of a strong and resilient economy.
- 1.3 Increase the city's profile through marketing initiatives, the delivery of festivals and events and support for other community based activities.
- 1.4 Promote the city's distinctive physical character and strong sense of place and identity.

An integrated approach to long term planning which supports a growing city.

- 1.5 Develop an integrated approach to the long term provision of infrastructure.
- 1.6 Undertake city and regional planning to reflect the aspirations of the community and create an attractive place to live, work and visit.

Infrastructure that meets community needs.

- 1.7 Provide and maintain timely and sustainable infrastructure.
- 1.8 Provide asset management practices which reflect the community's expectations regarding service levels and its ability to pay.

Goal 2 - Environmental Sustainability. Our environment is valued, protected and healthy

The outcomes we want to achieve:

Effective management and protection of our natural and built environment through sustainable growth and development.

- 2.1 Provide strategic and integrated planning and policy development to sustain our environment.
 - 2.2 Effective management, protection and conservation of our natural environment.
 - 2.3 Preserve and protect places of natural and heritage significance.
- Demonstrated environmental leadership.**
- 2.4 Develop and implement an Integrated Water Management Strategy.
 - 2.5 Develop and implement innovative waste management and recycling strategies.
 - 2.6 Minimise greenhouse gas emissions from council's infrastructure, operations and services through sustainable energy practices.
 - 2.7 Partner with the community and industry stakeholders to develop and promote environmental protection and sustainability initiatives.
 - 2.8 Develop and implement environmental compliance programs and promote community awareness.

Climatic effects on our community, natural and built environment are minimised.

- 2.9 Mitigate and communicate the risks and effects of climate change.

Goal 3 - Social Sustainability - Enhancement of opportunities for social engagement and wellbeing

The outcomes we want to achieve:

A safe and healthy community.

- 3.1 Improve the safety and well-being of the community through the management of public health risks.
- 3.2 Plan for and provide active and healthy lifestyle opportunities.
- 3.3 Coordinate council's response to natural disasters to minimise the effects on the community.

A cohesive and self reliant community.

- 3.4 Foster the development of the city as a learning community.
- 3.5 Encourage and facilitate the participation and integration of residents into the community.
- 3.6 Strengthen community networks to collaboratively deliver community services.

A community with access to services and facilities.

- 3.7 Plan for community facilities and services to meet the community's current and future needs.
- 3.8 Provide community services and facilities to meet the needs of the community.
- 3.9 Provide community support services to meet the needs of the community.

A creative community.

- 3.10 Facilitate and showcase artistic learning and expression through performances, exhibitions, activities and programs.
- 3.11 Support community participation in cultural activities, programs and events.

Goal 4 - Responsible Governance - Responsible leadership where decisions are made in a considered and transparent manner

The outcomes we want to achieve:

Transparent and accountable local government.

- 4.1 Develop and implement council's Corporate Governance Framework to ensure strategic planning, compliance with all legislation, policies, Codes of Practice and Standards.
- 4.2 Implement robust risk management strategies.
- 4.3 Encourage community participation and ensure that the community is informed and educated about matters that impact their lives.

A competent, productive and contributing workforce.

- 4.4 Foster a culture of employee health, safety and well-being.
- 4.5 Implement human resource strategies to become an employer of choice.
- 4.6 Foster diversity, merit and equity, reward and recognition in the workplace.

Excellence in customer service delivery and organisational management.

- 4.7 Provide responsive and efficient systems to enable the delivery of council services.
- 4.8 Establish and manage long term financial planning to ensure the future sustainability of council.

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REPORT	COUNCIL MEETING
DATE	Friday 7 June 2013 at 1.06pm and Thursday 13 June 2013 at 1.12pm
ITEMS	1 TO 1
PRESENT	The Mayor, Councillor J Hill, Chair Councillor V Veitch Councillor S Blom Councillor C Doyle Councillor G Eddiehausen APM Councillor R Gartrell Councillor J Lane Councillor A Parsons Councillor T Roberts Councillor L Walker Councillor P Ernst

Opening of Meeting and Announcement of Visitors

The Mayor, Councillor J Hill opened the meeting at 1.06pm.

Apologies and Leave of Absence

There were no apologies or leave of absences.

Councillor L Walker took a seat in the Chambers at 1.08pm

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1 Finance - Proposed Budget 2013/14

REPORT TO COUNCIL

Authorised by Director Corporate Services
Department Finance
Date 7 June 2013

Executive Summary

At its meeting held on Friday, 31 May 2013 Council received the 2013/14 Budget proposed by the Mayor, Councillor J Hill, in accordance with Sections 12(4)(b) and 107A of the *Local Government Act 2009*. The purpose of this meeting is for council to analyse the budget proposed by the Mayor in conjunction with the supporting documentation that was provided to councillors immediately after the special meeting held on Friday, 31 May 2013.

A further special meeting, open to the public, is scheduled for Friday, 14 June 2013 for council to provide direction on any amendments to the 2013/14 budget proposed by the Mayor, if necessary. Any such amendments will be made to the 2013/14 Budget documentation ahead of the Annual Budget Meeting scheduled for Friday, 28 June 2013. To meet this timeframe, final direction from council on the 2013/14 Budget must be provided at the meeting held on Friday 14 June 2013.

Officer's Recommendation

1. That in accordance with Section 275 (c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* this meeting be closed to the public for business relating to the local government's budget.
2. That the documentation included in the "Supporting information for Special Council meeting to review the Budget 2013/14" dated Friday 31 May 2013 remain as confidential documents in accordance with Sections 171 and 200 (5) of the *Local Government Act 2009*.
3. That council review the 2013/14 Budget Supporting Documentation and if necessary, provide direction about recommendations for amendments that will be considered at the special meeting scheduled for Friday, 14 June 2013.

Council Decision

It was MOVED by Councillor V Veitch, SECONDED by Councillor J Lane:

"that the officer's recommendation be adopted."

CARRIED

It was MOVED by Councillor V Veitch, SECONDED by Councillor J Lane:

"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 reviewed the 2013/14 Budget Supporting Documentation.

It was MOVED by Councillor V Veitch, SECONDED by Councillor J Lane:

"that council RESOLVE to open the meeting."

CARRIED

Councillor S Blom vacated the Chambers at 3.00pm.

Adjournment of Meeting

The Chair, Mayor J Hill adjourned the meeting at 4.08pm to 1.00pm on Thursday 13 June 2013.

Meeting Recommencement

On Thursday 13 June 2013, the Chair, Mayor J Hill reopened the meeting at 1.12pm.

All Councillors were present at the recommencement of the Special Council Meeting.

It was MOVED by Councillor P Ernst, SECONDED by Councillor V Veitch:

"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 reviewed the 2013/14 Budget Supporting Documentation.

It was MOVED by P Ernst SECONDED by Councillor V Veitch:

"that council RESOLVE to open the meeting."

CARRIED

Council Decision

It was MOVED by Councillor J Lane, SECONDED by Councillor V Veitch:

"that the Concessions Policy be reviewed through the Governance and Finance Committee by December 2013."

CARRIED

Close of Meeting

The Chair, Mayor J Hill declared the meeting closed at 2.15pm.

CONFIRMED this

day of

2013

MAYOR

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER