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## MINUTES

of the

Ordinary Meeting of the Council

held in the

Council Chambers, 118 Victoria Street, St George

on

Thursday 15th April 2021

Commencing at 9:00am

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## OPENING

The Mayor declared the Meeting open at 9:00am.

## COUNCIL PRAYER

The Mayor led the Council in the Opening Prayer.

## ATTENDANCE

Crs SC O'Toole, RD Avery, RW Lomman, SS Scriven, ID Todd and WN Winks

Mr Matthew Magin (Chief Executive Officer), Mrs Michelle Clarke (Director Financial & Corporate Services)

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr Scriven moved and Cr Lomman seconded:

That Cr Fuhrmeister be granted a leave of absence.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Cr Lomman moved and Cr Avery seconded:

That the Minutes of the General Meeting held on 18 March, 2021 be confirmed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil

## DECLARATION OF INTEREST

**Councillor Scott Scriven** declared a **Declarable Conflict of Interest** in accordance with s150EF(3) of the Local Government Act 2009, with respect to matters contained in **OCEO3**, on the grounds that: Councillor Scriven's business has supplied a quote for signage listed as part of the application.

In accordance with s150EF(3) of the Local Government Act 2009, Councillor Scriven indicated he would not participate in the decision and voluntarily leave the meeting.

**Councillor Samantha O'Toole** declared a **Declarable Conflict of Interest** in accordance with s150EF(3) of the Local Government Act 2009, with respect to matters contained in **OCEO6**, on the grounds that:

Councillor O'Toole is the Treasurer of the Chamber of Commerce.

In accordance with s150EF(3) of the Local Government Act 2009, Councillor O'Toole indicated she would not participate in the decision and voluntarily leave the meeting.

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Nil

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## DEPUTATIONS

AgForce Rural Land Revaluation and Rates Meeting:

General President – Georgie Somerset

Regional President – Ken Syme

## MEETING BUSINESS BY CORPORATE FUNCTION

Digby Whyte (Director of Environment and Regulatory Services), Mariella Perez (Community Development Officer), Kim Wildman (Manger Tourism), Elizabeth Jones (Community Development Services Manager) entered the meeting, the time being 9:02am.

Martin Bowerman (Corporate Communications Coordinator) entered the meeting, the time being 9:06am.

## **(OCEO) OFFICE OF THE CEO**

OCEO1

### **RADF 20-21 APPLICATIONS - ROUND 1 - WORKSHOPS**

RADF 20-21 – Round 1 Workshop Applications.

Cr Avery moved and Cr Winks seconded:

1. That Council resolves to approve the St George QCWA request of \$1,400.00 through the Regional Arts Development Fund 2020-2021 – Round 1 – Community Program for the ‘Mosaics Workshop for Beginners’ subject to COVID-19 restrictions at the time of the event.
2. That Council resolves to approve the Surat Aboriginal Corporation request of \$3,000.00 through the Regional Arts Development Fund 2020-2021 – Round 1 – Community Program for the ‘St George Aboriginal Arts & Crafts’ workshop, subject to applicant ensuring that at least 80% of workshop participants are Balonne Shire residents and that activity complies with COVID-19 restrictions at the time of the event.
3. That Council resolves to approve the Queensland Ballet request of \$1,650.00 through the Regional Arts Development Fund 2020-2021 – Round 1 – Community Program for the ‘Queensland Ballet Community and Education Regional Tour’ workshop, subject to applicant engaging with a local Community Group to drive and coordinate activities in the town(s) where workshops are proposed, and that all activities comply with COVID-19 restrictions at the time of the event.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OCEO2

### **RADF 20-21 - PLACEMAKING APPLICATION - ROUND 1 - PLASMA CUT LANDSCAPE PANELS**

RADF 20-21 – Placemaking Application – Round 1 – Plasma Cut Landscape Panels.

Cr Avery moved and Cr Lomman seconded:

1. That Council resolves to approve the Placemaking sponsorship request of \$2,318.10 to Pam Crothers in association with the Dirranbandi Progress Association, through the Regional Arts Development Fund 2020-2021 – Placemaking budget for the ‘Plasma Cut Landscapes’ project, subject to providing evidence of appropriate liability insurance to carry out the work.
2. Council to be consulted on the proposed locations of the plasma cut panels for final approval and relevant conditions.

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **CONFLICT OF INTEREST - OCEO3**

In accordance with s150EQ of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor Scott Scriven** gave notice of a **Declarable Conflict of Interest**, in respect to matters contained in **OCEO3**, on the grounds that:

Councillor Scriven's business has supplied a quote for signage listed as part of the application.

Councillor Scriven voluntarily left the meeting in accordance with s150ES of the Local Government Act 2009 at 9:23am.

OCEO3

## **RADF 20-21 - PLACEMAKING APPLICATION - ROUND 1 - THALLON COMMUNITY ART HUB SIGNAGE**

RADF 20-21 – Placemaking Application – Round 1 – Thallon Community Art Hub Signage.

Cr Lomman moved and Cr Winks seconded:

1. That Council resolves to approve the Placemaking sponsorship request of \$2,500.00, for the Thallon Community Art Hub Signage, through the Regional Arts Development Fund 2020-2021 – Placemaking budget, subject to providing the appropriate liability insurance to carry out the work.

## **AMENDMENT**

Cr Avery moved and Cr Winks seconded:

That delegate to the CEO negotiations and agreements for the use of and any required repairs and maintenance of the shed on William St, Thallon and hold over the application for signage subject to successful execution of lease.

The Amendment was then put and became the substantive motion and carried.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Scriven returned to meeting at 9:38am.

OCEO4

## **RADF 20-21 APPLICATION - ROUND 1 - HOWARD EDMUNDS (OPERA EAGLES NEST)**

RADF 20-21 – Round 1 – Howard Edmunds (Opera Eagles Nest) – A Night in Tuscany.

Cr Lomman moved and Cr Winks seconded:

1. That Council resolves to deny Howard Edmund's request of \$3,500.00 through the Regional Arts Development Fund 2020-2021 – Round 1 – Community Program for the 'A Night in Tuscany' Opera performance, due to insufficient community engagement to deliver activity.

## **AMENDMENT**

Cr Todd moved and Cr Lomman seconded:

That council resolves to approve the Howard Edmund request of \$3500.00 through the Regional Arts Development Fund 2020-2021 – Round 1 – Community Program for the 'A Night in Tuscany' Opera performance, with a preference to finding a suitable community partner.

The Amendment was then put and became the substantive motion and carried.

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CARRIED 5:1

Cr Scriven requested that his name be recorded against the motion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mariella Perez (Community Development Officer), Kim Wildman (Manager Tourism), Elizabeth Jones (Community Development Services Manager) left the meeting, the time being 10:02am.

## **CHANGE ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Cr Scriven moved and Cr Todd seconded:

That Council adjourn the meeting to hear a deputation from AgForce Rural Land Revaluation and Rates, the time being 10:02am.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Meeting reconvened from Deputation, the time being 10:45am with Elizabeth Jones (Community Development Services Manager) in attendance.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45am for Morning Tea.

The meeting reconvened at 11:05am.

Andrew Boardman (Director Infrastructure Services) entered the meeting, the time being 11:05am.

OCE05

## **RADF 20-21 APPLICATION - ROUND 1 - OPERA QUEENSLAND**

RADF 20-21 – Round 1 – Opera Queensland Performance – Are You Lonesome Tonight.

Cr Lomman moved and Cr Avery seconded:

1. That Council resolves to deny the Opera Queensland request of \$3,500.00 through the Regional Arts Development Fund 2020-2021 – Round 1 – Community Program for the 'Are You Lonesome Tonight' Opera performance, in accordance with the RADF committees' decision.

## **AMENDMENT**

Cr Lomman moved and Cr Avery seconded:

That council resolves to approve Opera Queensland request of \$3,500.00 through the Regional Arts Development Fund 2020-2021 – Round 1 – Community Program for the 'Are You Lonesome Tonight' Opera performance with a preference to finding a suitable community partner(s).

The Amendment was then put and became the substantive motion and carried.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Martin Bowerman (Corporate Communications Coordinator) left the meeting, the time being 11:19am. Kim Wildman, Manager Tourism entered the meeting, the time being 11.19am.

## **CONFLICT OF INTEREST - OCE06**

In accordance with s150EQ of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor Samantha O'Toole** gave

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notice of a **Declarable Conflict of Interest**, in respect to matters contained in **OCE06**, on the grounds that:

Councillor O'Toole is the Treasurer of the Chamber of Commerce.

Councillor O'Toole voluntarily left the meeting in accordance with s150ES of the Local Government Act 2009 at 11:19am.

Councillor Lomman assumed the chair the time being 11:19am.

OCE06 **COMMUNITY GRANTS AND ASSISTANCE APPLICATION - CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - MOTHER'S MARKET DAY & LUNCHEON**

St George Chamber of Commerce has requested financial sponsorship from the Community Grants and Assistance program.

Cr Avery moved and Cr Winks seconded:

That Council resolves to partially sponsor the Chamber of Commerce's request with \$2,000.00 towards the Mother's Market Day & Luncheon from the 2020/21 Community Grants and Assistance Budget, subject to COVID-19 restrictions at the time of the event.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Elizabeth Jones (Community Development Services Manager) left the meeting, the time being 11:30am. Councillor O'Toole returned and resumed the chair the time being 11:30am.

OCE07 **TOURISM EVENTS APPLICATION - PAUL KELLY AND FRIENDS CONCERT**

Cr Todd moved and Cr Scriven seconded:

That Council resolves to sponsor the Dirranbandi P&A Association Inc \$6,000 in sponsorship and source and provide five (5) electronic signs costing \$2,616 from the Tourism Events Grant Budget for the 2021 Paul Kelly & Friends Concert.

CARRIED 5:1

Cr Scriven requested that his reasons be recorded for voting against the motion. That he was supportive of the event however the maximum sponsorship in relation to the Tourism Event Grants Policy, was above the limit outlined in the policy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Kim Wildman (Manager Tourism) left the meeting, the time being 11:42am.

## **(FCS) FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES**

FCS1 **QUEENSLAND RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY - DISASTER RECOVERY FUNDING**

Amendment to Budget 2020/21 and Revenue Recognition

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Cr Avery moved and Cr Winks seconded:

That Council resolves to:

1. amend the operational works budget in accordance with S170(3) of the Local Government Regulations 2012 to recognise the 30% receipt of revenue for flood recovery works to be expended in 2021/22 as follows:

Operational Projects 2020/21								
		Multi Year Budget	2020-21 Budget				2021-22 Budget	2022-23 Budget
			Budget 20/21	Funding 20/21	2020-21 Council Expenditure	Restricted Cash (from prior years)		
<b>CARRY OVER ORIGINAL BUDGET 2020-21</b>								
	BaISC.0021.1920K.REC Reconstruction of Essential Assets - Jakelwar - Goodooga Road	\$ 3,348,924		\$ 1,004,677		\$ 2,009,355	\$ 334,892	
	BaISC.0024.1920K.REC - Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets - Minnum Road Crossing- Narran River	\$ 574,614		\$ 172,384		\$ 344,769	\$ 57,461	
	BaISC.0025.1920K.REC - REPA Roads Submission	\$ 3,981,633		\$ 1,194,490		\$ 2,388,980	\$ 398,163	

(Note: not all roads are listed that are to be covered by the recovery works)

And

2. Acknowledge that while the funding agreement is for operational works for disaster recovery it is unlikely that it is specific enough to create a specific performance obligation under the Accounting Standards.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## CONFLICT OF INTEREST – FCS2

In accordance with s150EQ of the Local Government Act 2009 **Councillor Scott Scriven** gave notice of a **Declarable Conflict of Interest**, in respect to matters contained in **FCS2**, on the grounds that:

Councillor Scriven's business sells water tanks.

Councillor Scriven voluntarily left the meeting in accordance with s150ES of the Local Government Act 2009 at 11:51am.

FCS2

## WORKS FOR QUEENSLAND FUNDING 2021-24

Works for Queensland 2021-24

Cr Lomman moved and Cr Scriven seconded:

That Council resolves to confirm the project list (to be tabled) for the Works for Queensland 2021-24 Funding Program.





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1. Receive the attached “Balonne Shire Council Energy Strategy” final report
2. Adopt the following “Energy Sustainability Strategic Statement” which will provide Council staff with clear guidance when making decisions moving forward.

## **Energy sustainability strategic statement:**

All Councils decision should consider energy sustainability as part of the decision making process and, give preference to the more energy sustainable options where cost effective.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IFS2

## **ESTABLISHMENT OF A COUNCIL DEPOT IN HEBEL – PROJECT REQUEST**

Establishment of a Council Depot in Hebel – Project Request

Cr Winks moved and Cr Todd seconded:

That Council resolves to accept the project proposal for the establishment of a Council Depot at Hebel as a Council initiative under the Project Governance Framework and progress the proposal to the ‘select’ phase (consultation, options analysis, business case, concept) of the Framework.

CARRIED 5:1

Councillor Scriven requested his name be record against the motion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 1:00pm for lunch to meet with representatives from Victoria and New South Wales on a Water Knowledge Sharing Tour.  
The meeting reconvened at 3:03pm.

IFS3

## **BOLLON RV & STREETScape MASTER PLAN**

Bollon RV & Streetscape Master Plan

Cr Lomman moved and Cr Winks seconded:

That Council resolves to formally adopt the Bollon RV & Streetscape Masterplan, as attached.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Andrew Boardman (Director Infrastructure Services) left the meeting, the time being 3:07pm.

## **(ERS) ENVIRONMENT & REGULATORY SERVICES**

ERS1

### **CHANGE REPRESENTATIONS ABOUT MATTERS IN DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL MCU 190**

Lions Club of St George Inc T/A St George Recycling have made representations to change condition/s of the development approval recently issued by Council for a Medium Impact Industry Use (Container Refund Depot and Storage Facility) at 150 Arthur Street, St George (Council reference MCU 190).

Cr Winks moved and Cr Scriven seconded:

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That Council give a negotiated decision notice to Lions Club of St George Inc T/A St George Recycling that states that Council agrees to the following change to Development Approval MCU 190:

Delete the following condition:

19. Unless otherwise approved by Council, the activities associated with the Medium Impact Industry Use must only be conducted between the hours of;

- 7am to 5pm, Monday to Saturday inclusive

And;

Insert the following development condition

19. Unless otherwise approved by Council, the activities associated with the Medium Impact Industry Use must only be conducted between the hours of;

- Container Refund Depot and Storage Yard: 7am to 5pm, Monday to Saturday inclusive
- Associated Administrative and Training Sessions: 7am to 9pm, Monday to Sunday inclusive

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Nil

### COUNCILLOR REPORTS

That Council receive and note the Councillor reports on their activities during the preceding month.

## INFORMATION REPORTS

### (IOCEO) OFFICE OF THE CEO

IOCEO1 TOURISM SERVICES MONTHLY REPORT

Balonne Shire Tourism Report for March 2021 as supplied by the Manager Tourism.

IOCEO2 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE - MARCH 2021

Economic Development Update – March 2021

IOCEO3 MONTHLY REPORT - COMMUNITY AND LIBRARY SERVICES

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March Monthly Managers Report for Community and Libraries

## **(IFCS) FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES**

### **ICFS1 MONTHLY REPORT DIRECTOR FINANCE & CORPORATE SERVICES**

Monthly report for March - Finance and Corporate Services

### **ICFS2 GRANTS - MONTHLY REPORT**

Grants update 6 February – 31 March 2021

## **(IIFS) INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

### **IIFS1 DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICE'S MONTHLY REPORT**

From the Department of Infrastructure Services - reporting for the month of March 2021.

### **IIFS2 MONTHLY REPORT**

Monthly Safety information

## **(IERS) ENVIRONMENT & REGULATORY SERVICES**

### **IERS1 MONTHLY REPORT ENVIRONMENT AND REGULATORY SERVICES**

The Environment and Regulatory Services Report for the month of March 2021 is presented for Council's information.

There being no further business, the Meeting closed, the time being 3:45pm.

Confirmed at a Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 20 May 2021.

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**MAYOR**