



SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES

26 JUNE 2019

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**REPORT OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 232 BOLSOVER STREET, ROCKHAMPTON
ON WEDNESDAY, 26 JUNE 2019 COMMENCING AT 11.00AM**

1 OPENING**2 PRESENT**

Members Present:

The Mayor, Councillor M F Strelow (Chairperson)
Councillor C E Smith
Councillor C R Rutherford
Councillor M D Wickerson
Councillor A P Williams
Councillor R A Swadling
Councillor N K Fisher

In Attendance:

Mr E Pardon – Chief Executive Officer
Mr R Cheesman – Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Mr T Cullen – General Manager Advance Rockhampton
Mr P Kofod – General Manager Regional Services
Ms C Worthy – General Manager Community Services
Ms A Cutler – Chief Financial Officer
Ms T Sweeney – Manager Workforce and Governance
Mr D Morrison – Executive Coordinator to the Mayor
Ms A Brennan – Coordinator Legal and Governance
Mr M Mansfield – Coordinator Media and Communications
Ms T Koekemoer – Project and Governance Officer
Ms K Talbot – Senior Media Officer
Ms K Walsh – Committee Support Officer
Ms L Leeder – Senior Committee Support Officer

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**

5 OFFICERS' REPORTS

5.1 2019-2020 OPERATIONAL PLAN

File No: 8320
Attachments: 1. 2019-2020 Operational Plan
Authorising Officer: Tracy Sweeney - Manager Workforce and Governance
Author: Allysa Brennan - Coordinator Legal and Governance

SUMMARY

Presenting Rockhampton Regional Council's Operational Plan for the financial year 2019-2020 for adoption.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Rockhampton Regional Council's Operational Plan for financial year 2019-2020 be adopted.

Moved by: Mayor Strelow
Seconded by: Councillor Rutherford
MOTION CARRIED

5.2 ADOPTION OF 2019/2020 BUDGET

File No: 8785

Attachments: 1. Rockhampton Regional Council Budget 2019/2020

Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer

Author: Alicia Cutler - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

In accordance with Chapter 5, Part 2, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt, for each financial year a budget for its Operations prior to 1 August in the financial year. The budget papers were circulated via memo to all Councillors on 10 June 2019.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – REVENUE STATEMENT 2019/2020

THAT Pursuant to sections 169(2) and 172 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council adopt the **Revenue Statement 2019/2020** as tabled.

Moved by: Mayor Strelow
Seconded by: Councillor Rutherford

MOTION CARRIED**COUNCIL RESOLUTION – DIFFERENTIAL GENERAL RATES**

THAT

- (a) Pursuant to section 81 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the categories in to which rateable land is categorised, the description of those categories and, pursuant to sections 81(4) and 81(5) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the method by which land is to be identified and included in its appropriate category is as follows:

No.	Category	Description	Identifiers (Land Use)
1	Commercial/light industry	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for commercial or light industrial purposes, other than land included in categories 2(a), 2(b), 2(c), 3 and 22.	1,4,6,7, 10 to 49 (excl. 31, 35, 37, 40 and lands in any other category).
2 (a)	Major shopping centres with a floor area 0 – 10,000m ²	Land used, or intended to be used, as a shopping centre with a gross floor area up to 10,000m ² and a value greater than \$2,500,001.	12 to 16 inclusive and 23, with a rateable valuation >\$2,500,001
2 (b)	Major shopping centres with a floor area 10,001 - 50,000m ²	Land used, or intended to be used, as a shopping centre with a gross floor area between 10,001m ² and 50,000m ² and a value greater than \$2,500,001.	12 to 16 inclusive and 23, with a rateable valuation >\$2,500,001

2 (c)	Major shopping centres with a floor area >50,000m ²	Land used, or intended to be used, as a shopping centre with a gross floor area greater than 50,000m ² and a value greater than \$2,500,001.	12 to 16 inclusive and 23, with a rateable valuation >\$2,500,001
3	Heavy and noxious industry	Land used, or intended to be used, for:- (a) a fuel dump; (b) fuel storage; (c) an oil refinery; (d) heavy industry; (e) general industry; (f) noxious industry which emanates noise, odour or dust, including an abattoir.	31, 35, 37
4	Power Generation	Land used, or capable of being used, for the generation of greater than 400 megawatts of electricity.	37
5	Extractive	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for:- (a) the extraction of minerals or other substances from the ground; and (b) any purpose associated or connected with the extraction of minerals and other substances from the ground.	40
6	Agriculture, farming and other rural	Land used, or intended to be used, for non-residential rural, agricultural or farming purposes.	60 to 89 and 93 to 94 (excl. 72 excl. lands in any other category).
8A	Residential Other	Land with a value of less than \$110,001 used, or intended to be used, for:- (a) residential purposes, other than as the owner's principal place of residence; or (b) two or more self-contained dwellings (including flats)	2, 3, 5, 8 & 9
8B	Residential Other	Land with a value of \$110,001 or more used, or intended to be used, for:- (a) residential purposes, other than as the owner's principal place of residence; or (b) two or more self-contained dwellings (including flats)	2, 3, 5, 8 & 9

9	Residential 1	Land used or intended to be used for residential purposes, as the owner's principal place of residence with a value of less than \$105,001.	1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 94 with a rateable valuation <\$105,001 (excl. lands in any other category).
10	Residential 2	Land used or intended to be used for residential purposes, as the owner's principal place of residence with a value of between \$105,001 and \$170,000.	1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 94 with a rateable valuation >\$105,000 but <\$170,001 (excl. lands in any other category).
11	Residential 3	Land used or intended to be used for residential purposes, as the owner's principal place of residence with a value of between \$170,001 and \$250,000.	1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 94 with a rateable valuation >\$170,000 but <\$250,001 (excl. lands in any other category).
12	Residential 4	Land used or intended to be used for residential purposes, as the owner's principal place of residence with a value between \$250,001 and \$500,000	1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 94 with a rateable valuation >\$250,000 but <\$500,001 (excl. lands in any other category).
13	Residential 5	Land used or intended to be used for residential purposes, as the owner's principal place of residence with a value more than \$500,000	1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 94 with a rateable valuation >\$500,000 (excl. lands in any other category).
21	Strata (residential)	Land, which is a lot in a community title scheme or residential group title, used as the owner's principal place of residence.	Land use codes 8 and 9 (excl. lands in any other category).
22	Strata (commercial/ industrial)	Land, which is a lot in a community title scheme or building unit, which is used, or intended to be used, for commercial or industrial purposes.	Land use codes 8 and 9
24	Vacant urban/rural land >\$430,000	Vacant land intended for use for development purposes with a value of more than \$430,000.	Land use code 1 and 4 with a rateable valuation >\$430,000
25	Developer concession	Land, which qualifies for a discounted valuation pursuant to section 50 of the <i>Land Valuation Act</i> .	Land use code 72

26	Special uses	Land, used, or intended to be used, for non-commercial purposes such as social and community welfare, defence or education purposes.	Land use codes 21, 50 – 59, 92, 96 – 100
27 (a)	Other \$0 - \$60,000	Land, with a value of \$60,000 or less, which is not otherwise categorised.	Land use codes 1, 4, 90, 91 and 95
27 (b)	Other - >\$60,000	Land, with a value of more than \$60,000, which is not otherwise categorised.	Land use codes 1, 4, 90, 91 and 95

(b) Council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power, pursuant to sections 81(4) and 81(5) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, to identify the rating category to which each parcel of rateable land belongs.

(c) Pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 80 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the differential general rate to be made and levied for each differential general rate category and, pursuant to section 77 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the minimum general rate to be made and levied for each differential general rate category, is as follows:

Category No.	Category	General Rate (cents in the Dollar of Rateable Value)	Minimum General Rate (\$)
1	Commercial/light Industry	1.9915	1,458
2 (a)	Major shopping centres with a floor area 0 – 10,000 sqm	2.4669	20,034
2 (b)	Major shopping centres with a floor area 10,001 - 50,000 sqm	3.2899	228,790
2 (c)	Major shopping centres with a floor area >50,000 sqm	6.7716	1,728,678
3	Heavy and noxious industry	2.9043	3,041
4	Power Generation	5.5353	3,041
5	Extractive	7.7903	2,482
6	Agriculture, farming and other rural	1.2312	1,354
8A	Residential Other, \$ 0 - \$110,000	1.3523	968
8B	Residential Other, >\$110,000	1.2255	1,489
9	Residential 1, \$ 0 - \$105,000	1.181	736
10	Residential 2, \$105,001 - \$170,000	1.0569	1,241

11	Residential 3, \$170,001 - \$250,000	1.0079	1,780
12	Residential 4, \$250,001 - \$500,000	0.9226	2,529
13	Residential 5, > \$500,000	0.8314	4,613
21	Strata (residential)	1,2184	736
22	Strata (commercial/industrial)	2.1724	1,458
24	Vacant urban land >\$430,000	1.9643	1,458
25	Developer concession	1.1633	0
26	Special uses	1.4173	2,369
27 (a)	Other \$0 - \$60,000	1.64	627
27 (b)	Other >\$60,001	2.4192	1,458

(d) For the 2019/20 financial year Council will not be resolving to limit any increases in rates and charges.

Moved by: Councillor Swadling

Seconded by: Councillor Smith

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – SEPARATE CHARGE ROAD NETWORK

THAT Pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 103 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council make and levy a separate charge to be known as the Road Network Separate Charge, in the sum of \$450.00 per rateable assessment, to be levied equally on all rateable land in the region, for the defraying part of the cost of maintaining the road network within the region.

Moved by: Councillor Williams

Seconded by: Councillor Smith

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – SEPARATE CHARGE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

THAT Pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 103 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council make and levy a separate charge to be known as the Natural Environment Separate Charge, in the sum of \$50.00 per rateable assessment, to be levied equally on all rateable land in the region, for the defraying part of formulating and implementing initiative for environmental protection, enhancement and conservation, including the many varied initiatives that contribute to these outcomes within the region.

The discount for the prompt payment of rates and charges, granted in accordance with section 130 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, will not apply to the Natural Environment Separate Charge.

Moved by: Councillor Wickerson

Seconded by: Councillor Smith

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – SPECIAL CHARGE

THAT Pursuant to section 128A of the *Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990* and section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, make and levy special charges for the provision of rural fire fighting services to certain parts of the Region. The charges shall be levied on all land which specially benefits from the provision of rural fire fighting services.

For 2019/2020, the Council shall make a special charge, in the following amounts, for each of the following Rural Fire Brigades.

Rural Fire Brigade	Levy 2019/20	Rural Fire Brigade	Levy 2019/20
Alton Downs	\$40.00	Garnant	-
Archer Ulam	\$40.00	Gogango	\$25.00
Aricia	-	Gracemere	\$20.00
Bajool	\$25.00	Kalapa	\$20.00
Bouldercombe	\$50.00	Marmor	\$20.00
Calioran	-	Morinish	-
Calliungal	\$50.00	Stanwell	-
Dalma	\$20.00	South Ulam	-
Faraday	-	Westwood	\$50.00

The rateable land to which each of the special charges will apply is land within the areas separately described on a map titled "RURAL FIRE BRIGADE BOUNDARIES" (attachment A of Revenue Statement- page 50 of Budget Book), administered by the Queensland Fire and Emergency Services.

The discount for the prompt payment of rates and charges, granted in accordance with section 130 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, will not apply to these charges.

Overall Plan

The Overall Plan for each of the special charges is as follows:-

1. The service, facility or activity for which each special charge is levied is to fund the provision of fire prevention and firefighting services, equipment and activities by the rural fire brigades identified in the special charge table in the defined benefit areas.
2. The time for implementing the overall plan is one (1) year ending 30 June 2020. However, provision of fire- fighting services is an ongoing activity, and further special charges are expected to be made in future years.

3. The works and services specified in the overall plan will be carried out or provided during the year ending on 30 June 2020.
4. The estimated cost of implementing the overall plan is approximately \$100,000.
5. The special charge is intended to raise all funds necessary to carry out the overall plan. Primarily to supply operational and fire prevention services and activities within the defined area.

The rateable land or its occupier specifically benefits, or will specifically benefit, from the implementation of the overall plan, comprising fire-fighting services, because rural fire brigades are charged with fire-fighting and fire prevention under *the Fire & Emergency Services Act 1990* and whose services could not be provided or maintained without the imposition of the special charge.

Moved by: Councillor Swadling

Seconded by: Councillor Smith

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – SEWERAGE UTILITY CHARGES

THAT

- (a) Pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council make and levy sewerage utility charges, for the supply of sewerage services by the Council, as follows:

<u>Declared Sewered Area</u>	<u>Amount of Charge</u>	<u>Amount of Vacant Land Charge</u>
Gracemere	\$832.00	\$790.00
Mount Morgan	\$769.00	\$730.00
Rockhampton	\$637.00	\$606.00

- (b) The application of the above levied sewerage utility charges be in accordance with the further detail provided in Council's adopted Revenue Statement 2019/2020.

Moved by: Councillor Fisher

Seconded by: Councillor Wickerson

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – WATER UTILITY CHARGES

THAT

- (a) Pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and sections 99 and 101 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council make and levy water utility charges, for the supply of water services by the Council, as follows:

Gracemere Water Supply – Access Charge

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Annual Charge</u>	
20mm	\$	420.00
25mm	\$	655.00
32mm	\$	1,072.00
40mm	\$	1,674.00
50mm	\$	2,617.00
Special 60mm	\$	3,818.00
65mm	\$	4,422.00
75mm	\$	5,887.00
80mm	\$	6,699.00
100mm	\$	10,465.00
150mm	\$	23,547.00
200mm	\$	41,865.00
Vacant Land	\$	420.00

Gracemere Water Supply Scheme – Non Residential Consumption Charges

<u>Tier</u>	<u>Charge per Kilolitre</u>
All consumption	\$1.85/kl

Gracemere Water Supply Scheme – Residential Consumption Charges

<u>Tier (Per Meter)</u>	<u>Charge per Kilolitre</u>
<=75kl per quarter	\$0.80/kl
> 75kl <=150kl per quarter	\$1.25/kl
>150kl per quarter	\$2.47/kl

Mount Morgan Water Supply – Access Charge

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Annual Charge</u>	
20mm	\$	432.00
25mm	\$	675.00
32mm	\$	1,106.00
40mm	\$	1,726.00
50mm	\$	2,696.00
65mm	\$	4,558.00
75mm	\$	6,067.00
80mm	\$	6,811.00
100mm	\$	10,785.00
150mm	\$	24,267.00
200mm	\$	43,141.00
Vacant Land	\$	432.00

Mount Morgan Water Supply Scheme – Non Residential Consumption Charges

<u>Tier</u>	<u>Charge per Kilolitre</u>
All consumption	\$1.85/kl

Mount Morgan Water Supply Scheme – Residential Consumption Charges

<u>Tier (Per Meter)</u>	<u>Charge per Kilolitre</u>
<=75kl per quarter	\$0.80/kl
> 75kl <=150kl per quarter	\$1.25/kl
>150kl per quarter	\$2.47/kl

Rockhampton Water Supply – Access Charge

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Annual Charge</u>
20mm	\$ 394.00
25mm	\$ 615.00
32mm	\$ 1,007.00
40mm	\$ 1,572.00
50mm	\$ 2,456.00
65mm	\$ 4,152.00
75mm	\$ 5,529.00
80mm	\$ 6,290.00
100mm	\$ 9,828.00
150mm	\$ 22,110.00
200mm	\$ 39,308.00
Vacant Land	\$ 394.00

Rockhampton Water Supply Scheme – Non Residential Water Consumption Charges

<u>Tier</u>	<u>Charge per Kilolitre</u>
All consumption	\$1.85/kl

Rockhampton Water Supply Scheme – Residential Water Consumption Charges

<u>Tier (Per Meter)</u>	<u>Charge per Kilolitre</u>
<=75kl per quarter	\$0.80/kl
> 75kl <=150kl per quarter	\$1.25/kl
>150kl per quarter	\$2.47/kl

(b) The application of the above levied water utility charges be in accordance with the further detail provided in Council's adopted Revenue Statement 2019/2020.

- (c) Pursuant to section 102(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a water meter is taken to have been read during the period that starts 2 weeks before, and ends 2 weeks after, the day on which the meter is actually read.

Moved by: Councillor Fisher
Seconded by: Councillor Williams

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – WASTE MANAGEMENT UTILITY CHARGES

THAT

- (a) Pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council make and levy waste management utility charges, for the supply of waste management services by the Council, as follows:

Schedule of Waste Collection and Recycling Charges

<u>Service</u>	<u>Annual Charge</u>
Combined General Waste/Recycling Service	\$430.00
Additional General Waste Service – same day service as nominated service day	\$330.00
Additional Recycling Service – same day service as nominated service day	\$194.00
Commercial Services	
General Waste Service	\$423.00
Recycling Service	\$233.00
Commercial Residential Waste Service	\$354.00
Combined General Waste/Recycling Service	\$430.00

- (b) The application of the above levied waste management utility charges be in accordance with the further detail provided in Council's adopted Revenue Statement 2019/2020.

Moved by: Councillor Fisher
Seconded by: Councillor Swadling

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLUTION - DISCOUNT

THAT Pursuant to section 130 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*,

- the differential general rates,
- separate charges (excluding Natural Environment Separate Charge),
- special charge,
- sewerage utility charges
- water utility charges excluding water consumption charges,
- waste management utility charges

made and levied shall be subject to a discount of ten percent (10%) if paid within the discount period of 30 clear days of the date of issue of the rate notice provided that:

- (a) all of the aforementioned rates and charges are paid within 30 clear days of the date of issue of the rate notice;
- (b) all other rates and charges appearing on the rate notice (that are not subject to a discount) are paid within 30 clear days after the date of issue of the rate notice; and
- (c) all other overdue rates and charges relating to the rateable assessment are paid within 30 clear days of the date of issue of the rate notice.

Moved by: Mayor Strelow
Seconded by: Councillor Smith
MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLUTION - INTEREST

THAT Pursuant to section 133 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, compound interest on daily rests at the rate of nine and one half percent (9.5%) per annum is to be charged on the balance of all rates and charges remaining outstanding 30 clear days after the due date.

Moved by: Councillor Rutherford
Seconded by: Councillor Wickerson
MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – LEVY AND PAYMENT

THAT

- (a) Pursuant to section 107 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and section 114 of the *Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990*, Council's rates and charges, and the State Government's Emergency Management, Fire and Rescue Levy be levied:
 - for the half year 1 July 2019 to 31 December 2019* - in July/August 2019; and
 - for the half year 1 January 2020 to 30 June 2020* - in January/February 2020
- (b) Pursuant to section 118 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, that Council's rates and charges, and the State Government's Emergency Management, Fire and Rescue Levy, be paid on the day that is 30 clear days after the date of the issue of the rate notice.

Moved by: Councillor Swadling
Seconded by: Councillor Wickerson
MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

THAT Pursuant to section 205 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the statement of the financial operations and financial position of the Council in respect of the previous financial year (“the Statement of Estimated Financial Position”) be received and its contents noted.

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Williams
MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – DEBT (BORROWINGS) POLICY

THAT Pursuant to section 192 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Debt (Borrowings) Policy (page 51 of Budget Book) for the 2019/2020 financial year be adopted.

Moved by: Councillor Rutherford
Seconded by: Councillor Fisher
MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – ADOPTION OF BUDGET

THAT Pursuant to section 107A of the *Local Government Act 2009* and sections 169 and 170 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council's Budget for the 2019/2020 financial year, incorporating:

- i. The statements of financial position;
- ii. The statements of cash flow;
- iii. The statements of income and expenditure;
- iv. The statements of changes in equity;
- v. The long-term financial forecast;
- vi. The revenue statement;
- vii. The revenue policy;
- viii. The relevant measures of financial sustainability; and
- ix. The total value of the change, expressed as a percentage, in the rates and utility charges levied for the financial year compared with the rates and utility charges levied in the previous budget,
- x. Estimated Activity Statement for Business Activities: a statement showing the estimated costs of Council's significant business activities and commercial business units.

as tabled, be adopted.

Moved by: Mayor Strelow
Seconded by: Councillor Rutherford
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – WORKING PAPERS

THAT Council receives the remainder of the documentation as working papers to support the 2019/2020 adopted budget including the Capital Budget Listing for 2019/20 to 2021/22 (page 66 of Budget Book) and Budget Report (page 3 of Budget Book).

Moved by: Mayor Strelow

Seconded by: Councillor Swadling

MOTION CARRIED

6 CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11:17am.

SIGNATURE

CHAIRPERSON

DATE