

ORDINARY MEETING

AGENDA

10 FEBRUARY 2015

Your attendance is required at an Ordinary meeting of Council to be held in the Council Chambers, 232 Bolsover Street, Rockhampton on 10 February 2015 commencing at 9.00am for transaction of the enclosed business.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

5 February 2015

Next Meeting Date: 10.03.15

Please note:

In accordance with the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, please be advised that all discussion held during the meeting is recorded for the purpose of verifying the minutes. This will include any discussion involving a Councillor, staff member or a member of the public.

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1 OPENING

The opening prayer will be presented by Reverend Narelle Kidson of St Andrew's Anglican Parish, Gracemere.

2 PRESENT

Members Present:

The Mayor, Councillor M F Strelow (Chairperson)

Councillor C E Smith

Councillor C R Rutherford

Councillor G A Belz

Councillor S J Schwarten

Councillor A P Williams

Councillor R A Swadling

Councillor N K Fisher

In Attendance:

Mr E Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held 27 January 2015

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

6 BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Nil

7 PUBLIC FORUMS/DEPUTATIONS

Nil

8 PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Nil

9 COMMITTEE REPORTS

9.1 PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING - 3 FEBRUARY 2015

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Minutes of the Parks & Recreation Committee meeting, held on 3 February 2015 as circulated, be received and that the recommendations contained within these minutes be adopted.

(**Note**: The complete minutes are contained in the separate Minutes document)

9.1.1 BUSINESS OUTSTANDING TABLE FOR PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

File No: 10097

Attachments: 1. Business Outstanding Table for Parks and

Recreation Committee

Responsible Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

SUMMARY

The Business Outstanding table is used as a tool to monitor outstanding items resolved at previous Council or Committee Meetings. The current Business Outstanding table for the Parks and Recreation Committee is presented for Councillors information.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Business Outstanding Table for the Parks and Recreation Committee be received.

9.1.2 AMENDMENT TO 2014-2015 SCHEDULE OF FEES & CHARGES - REGIONAL CEMETERIES

File No: 7816

Attachments: 1. Memorial Wall

2. Regional Cemeteries - Proposed New

Charges

3. Regional Cemeteries 2014-2015 Fees and

Charges

Authorising Officer: Margaret Barrett - Manager Parks

Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services

Author: Vincent Morrice - Coordinator Parks Recreation

Services

SUMMARY

As a result of a new service offering minor amendments are required to Council's Fees and Charges Schedule for the 2014-2015 financial year.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 2009, Council adopts the proposed amendments to the Fees and Charges schedule (Regional Cemeteries) for the 2014-2015 financial year, as detailed in the report.

9.1.3 VICTORIA PARK PLAYGROUND AREA - REQUEST TO FENCE

File No: 1464

Attachments: 1. Victoria Park Playground - Locality Map

Map - Play Space Zones
 Map - Report Option One
 Map - Report Option Two
 Map - Report Option Three

Authorising Officer: Margaret Barrett - Manager Parks

Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services

Author: Vincent Morrice - Coordinator Parks Recreation

Services

SUMMARY

In July 2014, Council registered a customer request from a concerned parent requesting Council consider fencing the Victoria Park Playground. The request has been supported by a community petition that was initiated by the requesting customer presented to Council on 25 August with 127 signatures. An additional 145 signatories have lent their support via an online petition through Change.org.

This report includes an overview of the issues to be considered in Council's response to the petition to fence (and gate) the Victoria Park Playground located on Sir Raymond Huish Drive, Wandal.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council:

- 1. Acknowledges receipt of the petition; and
- 2. Reduce the speed environment; and
- 3. Seeks a further report on options for a trial partial road closure with the aim of providing safe children and pedestrian access and use of the area between the swimming pool and the existing play area.

9.1.4 REQUEST FROM SAIMA TORRES STRAIT ISLANDERS CORPORATION INC FOR TENURE OVER PART OF KELE PARK

File No: 1464

Attachments: 1. Strategic Outcome Plan submitted by SAIMA

2. Map of Kele Park

3. Initial advice on proposal from Duty Planner

Authorising Officer: Margaret Barrett - Manager Parks

Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services

Author: Sophia Czarkowski - Sports & Education Officer

SUMMARY

SAIMA Torres Strait Islanders Corporation Inc has made a request to enter into a Lease Agreement with Council over part of Kele Park, 128 Western Street, West Rockhampton (being part Lot 101 SP123574) for the purposes of developing an athletics track.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council does not support the request for tenure and continues to work with SAIMA Torres Strait Islanders Corporation Inc and other interested parties to establish a synthetic athletics track in an appropriate location.

9.1.5 PARKS AND OPEN SPACE MONTHLY REPORT - NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2014

File No: 1464

Attachments: 1. Parks and Open Space Monthly Operations

Report - November and December 2014

Authorising Officer: Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services

Author: Margaret Barrett - Manager Parks

SUMMARY

This report provides information on the activities and services of Parks and Open Space unit for the months of November and December 2014.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report on the activities and services of Parks and Open Space Unit for November and December 2014 be received.

9.2 COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE MEETING - 3 FEBRUARY 2015

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Minutes of the Communities Committee meeting, held on 3 February 2015 as circulated, be received and that the recommendations contained within these minutes be adopted.

(Note: The complete minutes are contained in the separate Minutes document)

10 FEBRUARY 2015

Recommendation of the Communities Committee, 3 February 2015

9.2.1 BUSINESS OUTSTANDING TABLE FOR COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

File No: 10097

Attachments: 1. Business Outstanding Table for

Communities

Responsible Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services

SUMMARY

The Business Outstanding table is used as a tool to monitor outstanding items resolved at previous Council or Committee Meetings. The current Business Outstanding table for the Communities Committee is presented for Councillors' information.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Business Outstanding Table for the Communities Committee be received.

9.2.2 LIFTING MATTERS LAYED ON THE TABLE

File No: 10097 Attachments: Nil

Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

SUMMARY

Items lying on the table require a report to be lifted from the table before being dealt with. This report is designed to lift all necessary reports from the table to be dealt with at the current meeting 3 February 2015.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the following matter, "lying on the table" be lifted from the table and be dealt with accordingly:

• Pilbeam Theatre Storage Shed 4 Cambridge Street

9.2.3 COMMUNITIES AND FACILITIES MONTHLY OPERATIONAL REPORT

File No: 1464

Attachments: 1. Communities and Facilities Monthly

Operational Report

Authorising Officer: Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services

Author: Cheryl Haughton - Manager Community Services

SUMMARY

This report provides information on the activities of the Communities and Facilities section for the period November and December 2014.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Monthly Operational Report on the activities of the Communities and Facilities section for the period November and December 2014 be received.

9.2.4 ARTS AND HERITAGE MONTHLY OPERATIONS REPORT FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2014

File No: 1464

Attachments: 1. Arts and Heritage Monthly Operations Report

for November and December 2014

Authorising Officer: Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services

Author: Peter Owens - Manager Arts and Heritage

SUMMARY

The report provides information on the programs and activities of the Arts and Heritage section for November and December 2014.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Monthly Operations Report of the Arts and Heritage section for November and December 2014 be received.

9.2.5 PILBEAM THEATRE STORAGE PROPOSAL

File No: 6495

Attachments: 1. Proposed Theatre Prep Area

2. Cost Plan of Proposed Theatre Prep Area

Authorising Officer: Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services

Author: Andrew Collins - Special Projects Officer

Previous Items: 8.2 - Pilbeam Theatre Storage Shed 4 Cambridge Street -

Communities Committee - 04 Nov 2014 12.30 pm

SUMMARY

Council has funded in the 2013/14 Capital budget the construction of a storage shed on the Pilbeam Theatre site. Lots have been amalgamated and a contract to design and construct the shed has been awarded. Council are now considering other options to provide functional storage and set preparation area for the Pilbeam Theatre.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council accepts the recommendation that the Walter Reid Centre be used for the Pilbeam Theatre's storage and set fabrication.

9.2.6 OUTCOME OF TRIAL OF DRIVE-IN MOVIES AT ROCKHAMPTON

SHOWGROUNDS

File No: 456 Attachments: Nil

Authorising Officer: Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services

Author: Peter Owens - Manager Arts and Heritage

SUMMARY

The outcome of a four-month trial of drive-in movie screenings held at the Rockhampton Showgrounds is now presented for Council's consideration.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council approve an extension of trial of drive-in movies at the Rockhampton Showgrounds to 31 December 2015 as detailed in the report.

9.2.7 ROCKHAMPTON ART GALLERY FUTURE DIRECTIONS

File No: 465

Attachments: Nil

Authorising Officer: Peter Owens - Manager Arts and Heritage

Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services

Author: Tracy Cooper-Lavery - Gallery Director

SUMMARY

This report presents the need for expanded Art Gallery space and functions, with a commensurate request to evaluate the feasibility of expanding Gallery operations, including the possible relocation of the Gallery facility to a new or existing Council building. Feasibility analysis will include the costs and benefits of relocation (financial, operational and community), associated logistics, scope, financing options, and identification of new opportunities that may be provided by expansion and relocation. This analysis shall also consider alternate options such as in situ expansion.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report be received and Council conduct a workshop on the matter.

9.3 HEALTH AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE MEETING - 3 FEBRUARY 2015

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Minutes of the Health & Compliance Committee meeting, held on 3 February 2015 as circulated, be received and that the recommendations contained within these minutes be adopted.

(Note: The complete minutes are contained in the separate Minutes document)

Recommendation of the Health & Compliance Committee, 3 February 2015

9.3.1 BUSINESS OUTSTANDING TABLE FOR HEALTH AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE

File No: 10097

Attachments: 1. Business Outstanding Table for Health and

Compliance

Responsible Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services

SUMMARY

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Business Outstanding Table for the Health and Compliance Committee be received.

Recommendation of the Health & Compliance Committee, 3 February 2015

9.3.2 MONTHLY OPERATIONS REPORT FROM COMMUNITY STANDARDS AND COMPLIANCE UNIT FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2014.

File No: 1464

Attachments:

1. Monthly Operations Report Community
Standards and Compliance Section for the

months November and December 2014

2. Local Laws Traffic Light Report for

November 2014

3. Health, Pest and Vector Traffic Light Report

for November 2014

4. Community Standards and Compliance Section's Traffic Light Report for December

2014

5. Financial Matters Report for Community Standards and Compliance for the month of

November 2014

6. Financial Matters Report for Community
Standards and Compliance for the month of

December 2014

Authorising Officer: Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services

Author: Catherine Hayes - Manager Community Standards and

Compliance

SUMMARY

The monthly Operations Report for Community Standards and Compliance Section as at 31 December 2014 is presented for Councillor's information.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Community Standards and Compliance Monthly Operations Report for November and December 2014 be received.

9.4 BUSINESS ENTERPRISE COMMITTEE MEETING - 4 FEBRUARY 2015

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Minutes of the Business Enterprise Committee meeting, held on 4 February 2015 as circulated, be received and that the recommendations contained within these minutes be adopted.

(Note: The complete minutes are contained in the separate Minutes document)

9.4.1 BUSINESS OUTSTANDING TABLE FOR BUSINESS ENTERPRISE COMMITTEE

File No: 10097

Attachments: 1. Business Outstanding Table for Business

Enterprise Committee

Responsible Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

SUMMARY

The Business Outstanding table is used as a tool to monitor outstanding items resolved at previous Council or Committee Meetings. The current Business Outstanding table for the Business Enterprise Committee is presented for Councillors information.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Business Outstanding Table for the Business Enterprise Committee be received.

9.4.2 ROCKHAMPTON REGIONAL WASTE AND RECYCLING OPERATIONAL REPORT FOR PERIODS 1 NOVEMBER 2014 TO 31 DECEMBER 2014

File No: 7927

Attachments: 1. RRWR Operational Report 1 November to 31

December 2014

Authorising Officer: Robert Holmes - General Manager Regional Services

Author: Craig Dunglison - Manager RRWR

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an overview of Rockhampton Regional Waste and Recycling (RRWR) for the months of November and December 2014.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the RRWR Operations Report for the period ended 31 December 2014 be received.

9.4.3 CORPORATE SERVICES DEPARTMENT - ROCKHAMPTON AIRPORT - MONTHLY OPERATIONS AND ANNUAL PERFORMANCE PLAN REPORT

File No: 7927

Attachments: 1. Airport Monthly Operations & Annual

Performance Plan Report

Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - General Manager Corporate Services

Author: Trevor Heard - Manager Rockhampton Airport

SUMMARY

The monthly operations and annual performance plan report for the Rockhampton Airport as at 31 December 2014 is presented for Councillors information.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Corporate Services Departmental Operations and Annual Performance Plan Report for the Rockhampton Airport as at 31 December 2014 be "received".

9.4.4 WASTE INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN UPDATE

File No: 150

Attachments: 1. Extract - June 2014 Business Enterprise

Committee Report

2. Extract - November 2014 Business Enterprise

Committee Meeting

Authorising Officer: Robert Holmes - General Manager Regional Services

Author: Craig Dunglison - Manager RRWR

SUMMARY

This report provides the Committee with an update of the Waste Infrastructure Plan and to confirm actions to be undertaken in this area for the remainder of the 2014/2015 year and through the 2015/2016 for capital and operational budget preparation purposes.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- THAT the Midgee Roadside Bin Station be closed following one month of public notification and consideration of any feedback. The site be remediated and to be completed prior to 1 July 2015;
- 2. THAT two (2) 5 x 15 metre concrete slabs with low walls be installed at the Laurel Bank's Roadside Bin Station to facilitate the collection of waste from this site prior to 1 July 2015;
- 3. THAT bank of bins stations be provided at Marmor, Gogango and Dalma at sites which permit community oversight and that the existing Roadside Bin Station be closed and these sites remediated. This is to be operated as a trial commencing in the first quarter of 2015/2016 continuing for the remainder of the year subject to budgetary allocation;
- 4. THAT the Ridgelands, Bushley, Westwood, and Bajool Roadside Bin Station sites be maintained under the current operating regime through the 2015/2016 year.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council formally contacts property managers of REIQ to inform them of Council's concerns with illegal dumping which may be resulting from change of occupancy.

9.5 INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING - 4 FEBRUARY 2015

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Minutes of the Infrastructure Committee meeting, held on 4 February 2015 as circulated, be received and that the recommendations contained within these minutes be adopted.

(Note: The complete minutes are contained in the separate Minutes document)

9.5.1 BUSINESS OUTSTANDING TABLE FOR INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

File No: 10097

Attachments: 1. Business Outstanding Table for

Infrastructure Committee

Responsible Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

SUMMARY

The Business Outstanding table is used as a tool to monitor outstanding items resolved at previous Council or Committee Meetings. The current Business Outstanding table for the Infrastructure Committee is presented for Councillors' information.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Business Outstanding Table for the Infrastructure Committee be received.

9.5.2 ROCKHAMPTON, GRACEMERE AND CAPRICORN COAST AREA TRANSPORT STUDY

File No: 11455 Attachments: Nil

Authorising Officer: Martin Crow - Manager Engineering Services

Robert Holmes - General Manager Regional Services

Author: Angus Russell - Coordinator Strategic Infrastructure

SUMMARY

The Department of Transport and Main Roads have commenced development of an Area Transport Study for the Rockhampton Region and Capricorn Coast. The study will be undertaken in conjunction with updating the region's current transport model and developing a more detailed model of Rockhampton City traffic operations. The project will help to identify the impacts of future growth on the local and state road network and support planning of future road upgrades.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report be received and information noted.

9.5.3 POLICY UPDATE - ROADSIDE MEMORIALS POLICY

File No: 5250

Attachments: 1. Roadside Memorials Policy

Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: Robert Holmes - General Manager Regional Services

SUMMARY

The Roadside Memorials Policy and Roadside Memorials Procedure have been reviewed and consolidated into one document, the Roadside Memorials Policy. This report seeks Council approval to rescind the previous Roadside Memorials Procedure and adopt the Roadside Memorials Policy as attached to the report.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the policy not be adopted and that it be reviewed with a more 'user friendly' approach and referred back to the Committee.

9.5.4 ENGINEERING SERVICES MONTHLY REPORT - FEBRUARY 2015

File No: 7028

Attachments: 1. Monthly Operations Report - Engineering

Service - 30 November & 31 December 2014

Authorising Officer: Robert Holmes - General Manager Regional Services

Author: Martin Crow - Manager Engineering Services

SUMMARY

This report outlines Engineering Services Monthly Operations Report for the period to the end of November & December 2014.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Engineering Services Monthly Operations Report for periods ending 30 November 2014 and 31 December 2014 be received.

9.5.5 CIVIL OPERATIONS MONTHLY OPERATIONS REPORT - FEBRUARY 2015

File No: 7028

Attachments: 1. Monthly Operations Report - Civil Operations

- 30 November & 31 December 2014

2. Civil Operations Section's Works Program

January - February 2015

Authorising Officer: Robert Holmes - General Manager Regional Services

Author: David Bremert - Manager Civil Operations

SUMMARY

This report outlines Civil Operations Monthly Operations Report 30 November & December 2014, and also Works Program of planned projects for the months of January – February 2015.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Civil Operations Monthly Operations Report for November/December 2014 report be received.

9.6 WATER COMMITTEE MEETING - 4 FEBRUARY 2015

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Minutes of the Water Committee meeting, held on 4 February 2015 as circulated, be received and that the recommendations contained within these minutes be adopted.

(Note: The complete minutes are contained in the separate Minutes document)

Recommendation of the Water Committee, 4 February 2015

9.6.1 BUSINESS OUTSTANDING TABLE FOR WATER COMMITTEE

File No: 10097

Attachments: 1. Business Outstanding Table for Water

Committee

Responsible Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: Robert Holmes - General Manager Regional Services

SUMMARY

The Business Outstanding table is used as a tool to monitor outstanding items resolved at previous Council or Committee Meetings. The current Business Outstanding table for the Water Committee is presented for Councillors' information.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Business Outstanding Table for the Water Committee be received.

Recommendation of the Water Committee, 4 February 2015

9.6.2 FRW MONTHLY OPERATIONS REPORT - DECEMBER 2014

File No: 1466

Attachments: 1. FRW Monthly Operations Report - December

2014

Authorising Officer: Robert Holmes - General Manager Regional Services

Author: Nimish Chand - Manager FRW

SUMMARY

This report details Fitzroy River Water's financial position and other operational matters for the Council's information as at 31 December 2014

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the FRW Monthly Operations Report for December 2014 be received.

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11 OFFICERS' REPORTS

11.1 2016 WORLD BRAHMAN CONGRESS

File No: 647

Attachments: 1. Letter from Australian Brahman Breeders

Association

Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: Rick Palmer - Manager Economic Development

SUMMARY

This report outlines a request from the Australian Brahman Breeders Association for \$50,000 sponsorship of the 2016 World Brahman Congress.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council offer to contribute at least \$40,000 to Australian Brahman Breeders Association to sponsor the 2016 World Brahman Congress in exchange for Council being recognised as the "Host Region" and receiving the sponsorship benefits outlined in the Australian Brahman Breeders Association's letter.

COMMENTARY

The 18th World Brahman Congress will be held in Rockhampton on 16-21 May 2016. The first and 11th Congresses were also held in Australia with both events being held in Rockhampton.

The Australian Brahman Breeders Association (ABBA), which is staging the event, has written to Council seeking a \$50,000 contribution and inviting Council to become an Event Partner Sponsor. A copy of the letter from ABBA is attached to this report.

Council has sponsored the past two World Brahman Congresses held in Rockhampton. In 2002, 15 years ago, Council contributed \$20,000 as sponsorship.

Rockhampton Showgrounds Rental

One major cost increase has been the cost of hiring the Rockhampton Showgrounds. In 2002, when Council was in the throes of taking over the Rockhampton Showgrounds, ABBA paid \$13,000 as rental.

In 2014-15, and it may well be more expensive in 2015-16, there are two forms of rental from which ABBA may chose.

Option 1

Hire of All of Grounds for set-up/bump out days \$4,500 per day

Hire of All of Grounds for Event days \$ 9,000 per day

Plus Grounds Electricity as metered.

Option 2

Hire of All of Grounds for set-up/bump out days \$ 2,250 per day

Hire of All of Grounds for Event Days \$\$4,500 per day

Plus Gate Levy paid at:

\$1.30 for every single paid attendee

\$3 for each family

Plus Grounds Electricity as metered.

Under Option 1 ABBA will pay \$103,500 as rental for the bump in, event and bump out periods.

Under Option 2 ABBA will pay \$51,750 as rent for the bump in, event and bump out periods plus a gate levy of \$1.30 for each single paid attendee and \$3 per family.

CPI Increases

The Consumer Price Index (All Groups) for the City of Brisbane has increased by 41.43 per cent between September 2002 and September 2014. Obviously it will increase further between now and May 2016 when the event is held.

A 41.43 per cent increase in Council's support would take it from \$20,000 paid in 2002 to \$28,286 for the 2016 event.

Council Support

The Brahman breed and ABBA play an important role in Rockhampton being recognized within Australia and internationally as the Beef Capital of Australia.

The Australian cattle herd is progressively shifting north. The vast majority of cattle from the Fitzroy Basin north are at least half Brahman, as the breed does better than British and European breeds in the hot and dry conditions of Northern Australia.

The Rockhampton Region continues to be the focal point for the national beef industry and the Region has a large amount of hard and soft beef infrastructure.

In the circumstances I recommend that Council offer to contribute at least \$40,000 to ABBA to sponsor the 2016 World Brahman Congress.

It would be appropriate if Council was referred to as the "Host Region". Council should also receive the other sponsorship benefits outlined in ABBA's letter.

BACKGROUND

The World Brahman Congress has been held in Rockhampton twice previously. The first was the initial World Brahman Congress in 1983 and the second was in 2002. The Australian editions of the World Brahman Congress have always been held in Rockhampton.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

As Council has not made any allowance for support for the 2016 World Beef Congress in its 2014-15 budget, the funding Council agreed to provide should come from the 2015-16 budget.

2016 WORLD BRAHMAN CONGRESS

Letter from Australian Brahman Breeders Association

Meeting Date: 10 February 2015

Attachment No: 1

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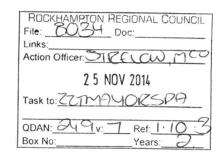


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Mayor Margaret Strelow Rockhampton Regional Council PO Box 1860 Rockhampton Qld 4700

Dear Mayor



The Australian Brahman Breeders Association will be conducting the 18th World Brahman Congress in Rockhampton from May 16-21, 2016.

We held the first World Brahman Congress in Rockhampton in 1983 and also hosted the 11th Congress here in 2002.

Our first Congress arguably laid the groundwork and inspiration for the first national Beef Expo in 1998, a tradition which as continued and helped to reinforce Rockhampton's title as the "Beef Capital of Australia".

The World Brahman Congress concept was also born out of the success of our first Congress. The USA held the second congress in 1984 and they have been held every two years since then. Argentina has hosted 1, Brazil 1, Colombia 3, Mexico 3, Panama 2, South Africa 3 and Venezuela 1.

The 18th World Brahman Congress in 2016 is expected to attract wide interest from cattle producers across northern Australia as well as the USA, Central and South America, South Africa and throughout Asia.

Our promotion has already commenced with a presentation made to the 17^{th} World Congress in South Africa in April and a presentation at the Houston Livestock Show in March next year.

We plan 6 days of activities designed to

- Celebrate the worldwide achievements of Brahman cattle
- Develop an understanding of the leading edge innovations, research and technology and its relevance to Brahman cattle breeding
- Explore opportunities to make our breed a great force in domestic and international beef markets
- Showcase the Australian Brahman cattle genetics and their commercial attributes

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 Share experiences, make new friends, meet old friends and share our warm friendly Australian hospitality

The Rockhampton Showground's will see the major focus of our activities with the Schwarten Pavilion used for most of the social functions and the Technical Conference.

The stud cattle judging will be held in the eastern end of the Schwarten Pavilion.

We are inviting the Rockhampton Regional Council to become involved with our Congress as an Event Partner Sponsor.

We are seeking a contribution of \$50,000 for this level of sponsorship which could be either in cash or in kind.

In kind sponsorship could take the form of relief from Showground's hire charges and cleaning.

Recognition as an Event Partner Sponsor on

- Congress advertising
- · Congress letterhead
- Display and decorating at Congress venues
- An opportunity for the Mayor to extend an official welcome to delegates at our Welcome Function
- 8 complimentary tickets to
 - Welcome function
 - o Australian Barbecue
 - o International Conference
 - o Complimentary entry to stud cattle judging
 - o Gala Farewell Dinner

We have valued the support of the Council at both previous Congresses in 1983 and 2002, with the value of the Council sponsorship in 2002 being \$20,000.

Our Congress will be a mini Beef Expo. It will attract substantial industry and media attention on Rockhampton.

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It will reinforce Rockhampton as the Beef Capital of Australia and it will have substantial economic benefits for the city and the region.

We trust you will be able to partner with us in this exciting project and we look forward to your reply with keen interest.

We would also be happy to discuss with you any suggestions you may have to add value to your sponsorship.

Yours faithfully

John Croaker

General Manager

John books

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15 URGENT BUSINESS/QUESTIONS

Urgent Business is a provision in the Agenda for members to raise questions or matters of a genuinely urgent or emergent nature, that are not a change to Council Policy and can not be delayed until the next scheduled Council or Committee Meeting.

16 CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with the provisions of section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may resolve to close a meeting to the public to discuss confidential items, such that its Councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the meeting be closed to the public to discuss the following items, which are considered confidential in accordance with section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation* 2012, for the reasons indicated.

17.1 Queensland Plan

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to 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.

17 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

17.1 QUEENSLAND PLAN

File No: 3535 Attachments: Nil

Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: Rick Palmer - Manager Economic Development

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SUMMARY

This report outlines an initiative undertaken by a number of Councils to implement one of the objectives of the recently announced Queensland Plan.

18 CLOSURE OF MEETING