



SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES

18 MARCH 2014

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REPORT OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 232 BOLSOVER STREET, ROCKHAMPTON ON TUESDAY, 18 MARCH 2014 COMMENCING AT 9:04AM**1 OPENING****2 PRESENT**

Members Present:

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

In Attendance:

Mr E Pardon – Chief Executive Officer
Mr R Holmes – General Manager Regional Services
Mr R Cheesman – General Manager Corporate Services
Mr M Crow – Manager Engineering Services
Mr N Chand – Manager Fitzroy River Water
Mr J Plumb – Coordinator Treatment and Supply
Mr A Russell – Coordinator Strategic Infrastructure
Mr J Cook – Senior Infrastructure Engineer
Mr W Clark – Community Engagement Officer
Ms K Greensill – Media and Public Relations Officer
Ms L Leeder – Committee Support Officer

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Leave of Absence for the meeting was previously granted to Councillor Rose Swadling
Councillor Stephen Schwarten has tendered his apology and will not be in attendance

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

5 OFFICERS' REPORTS

5.1 SOUTH ROCKHAMPTON FLOOD LEVEE ISSUES IDENTIFICATION

File No: 1743
Attachments: Nil
Authorising Officer: Michael Rowe - Acting Chief Executive Officer
Author: Robert Holmes - General Manager Regional Services

SUMMARY

It is advised that towards the end of last calendar year the Council appointed consultants to undertake the hydraulic modelling and design stages of the project. Since that time the consultants have investigated a range of options including a level of impact assessment for those options and these were presented to a workshop held 17 March 2014.

The consultants have also been engaged to investigate mitigation measures for the North Rockhampton area with such measures to include flood valves on drainage outlets and this was also outlined at the workshop.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

1. THAT the information be noted in relation to the status of the South Rockhampton Flood Levee project and the flood mitigation investigations for the North Rockhampton area.
2. THAT the Council endorse for further investigation and subsequent funding application, the general alignment identified at the workshop held 17 March 2014 and as outlined on the plan attached to these minutes.

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

5.2 FUTURE UPGRADING OF THE ROCKHAMPTON AND GRACEMERE SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANTS

File No: 10456

Attachments:

1. STP Budget Planning Table - March 2014
2. STP Strategy Council Workshop - March 2014

Authorising Officer: Nimish Chand - Manager FRW
Robert Holmes - General Manager Regional Services

Author: Jason Plumb - Coordinator Treatment and Supply

SUMMARY

The four sewage treatment plants (STPs) that service the communities of Rockhampton and Gracemere need to be upgraded and augmented to ensure they can continue to meet the future needs of the community. Fitzroy River Water (FRW) has recently completed some strategic planning to provide a more detailed understanding of the future requirements for each of the four STPs and also the timing and quantum of capital investment required in the coming years. This report provides a summary of the upgrade and augmentation works that are required in the short, medium and long term, the process undertaken to engender support for this STP strategy and the associated budget allocations required in the coming decade for its delivery. These were detailed at the workshop held 3 March and the Council's endorsement of the inclusion of the modified strategy works is sought.

9:17AM Councillor Rutherford attended the meeting

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

1. THAT Council adopt the proposed upgrade and augmentation strategy for Rockhampton and Gracemere STPs in principle and approve the re-allocation of capital funding in the current capital budget as outlined in this report to enable commencement of the interim upgrade of the South Rockhampton STP and the completion of further design work for the augmentation of the Gracemere STP in the 2014-15 financial year.
2. THAT the program be included in the review by LGIS.

Moved by: Mayor Strelow
Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

MOTION CARRIED

6 CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.20am.

CHAIRPERSON

SIGNATURE

DATE