

ORDINARY MEETING

MINUTES

11 MAY 2021

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REPORT OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 232 BOLSOVER STREET, ROCKHAMPTON ON TUESDAY, 11 MAY 2021 COMMENCING AT 9:08AM

1 OPENING

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

2 PRESENT

Members Present:

The Mayor, Councillor A P Williams (Chairperson) Councillor S Latcham Councillor C E Smith Councillor M D Wickerson Councillor D Kirkland Councillor G D Mathers

In Attendance:

Mr E Pardon – Chief Executive Officer Mr R Cheesman – Deputy Chief Executive Officer Mr P Kofod – General Manager Regional Services Ms A Cutler – General Manager Community Services Ms M Taylor – Chief Financial Officer Ms T Sweeney – Executive Manager Workforce and Governance Mr J Webb – Manager Communities and Culture Mr M O'Keeffe – Manager Rockhampton Regional Waste and Recycling Dr J Plumb – Manager Fitzroy River Water Mr M Vycke – Manager Airport Ms A Brennan – Coordinator Legal and Governance Ms L Leeder – Senior Committee Support Officer

Via Webex:

Mr G Bowden – Executive Manager Advance Rockhampton Mr D Morrison – Manager Office of the Mayor Ms C Bell – Coordinator Environmental Sustainability Ms K Roberts – Coordinator Property and Insurance Mr C Wyatt – Coordinator Strategic Planning Mr M Mansfield – Coordinator Media and Communications Ms K Dorman – Administration Supervisor Ms C Pointing – Senior Communications Officer Ms A James – Strategic Planner Ms R Collins – Planning Assistant

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Leave of Absence for the meeting was previously granted to Councillor Neil Fisher

3.1 LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR COUNCILLOR CHERIE RUTHERFORD - TUESDAY 11 MAY TO TUESDAY 18 MAY 2021 INCLUSIVE

File No:	8294
Authorising Officer:	Emma Brodel - Senior Executive Assistant to the Mayor Damon Morrison - Manager Office of the Mayor Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Nicole Semfel - Executive Support Officer

SUMMARY

Councillor Cherie Rutherford is seeking leave of absence from Tuesday 11 May 2021 to Tuesday 18 May 2021 inclusive.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Councillor Rutherford be granted leave of absence from Tuesday 11 May 2021 to Tuesday 18 May 2021 inclusive.

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

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 27 April 2021 be confirmed.

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

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

Councillor Grant Mathers informed the meeting:

"I have a declarable conflict of interest in *Item 14.1 – Property Matter* as my cousin Sandra Boag and her husband Ian Boag own a property in the vicinity of the land identified for the Motorsport Precinct. Also my father, Ken Mathers a former rider, has a historical link to Speedway and my Uncle Winston Mathers is still involved locally with the sport. Also my sons Trent and Kye Mathers, my sister Cherie Rutherford and brother in law Michael Rutherford and myself volunteer during Speedway events.

I propose to leave and stay away from the place where the meeting is being held while this matter is discussed and voted on."

Councillor Ellen Smith informed the meeting:

"I have a declarable conflict of interest in *Item 14.1 – Property Matter*. This declarable interest arises because I am related to Gerard Halberstater who owns an adjoining property of the land which is identified in the report.

I propose to leave and stay away from the place where the meeting is being held while this matter is discussed and voted on."

Councillor Shane Latcham informed the meeting:

"I have a declarable conflict of interest in *Item 9.1 – Community Assistance Program – 2020/21 Round 3 Applications*. This declarable conflict of interest arises because I am a Trustee for a Family Trust that owns a tennis complex in North Rockhampton.

I propose to leave and stay away from the place where the meeting is being held while the topic of Rockhampton Tennis Association is discussed and voted on."

Councillor Ellen Smith informed the meeting:

"I have a declarable conflict of interest in *Item 9.1 – Community Assistance Program – 2020/21 Round 3 Applications.* This declarable conflict of interest arises as my nephew Rhett McKinnon is employed by Tennis Queensland as a Development Officer and is associated with the Rockhampton Tennis Association.

I propose to leave and stay away from the place where the meeting is being held while the topic of Rockhampton Tennis Association is discussed and voted on."

6 PUBLIC FORUMS/DEPUTATIONS

Nil

7 PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Nil

8 COUNCILLOR/DELEGATE REPORTS

8.1 COUNCILLOR DISCRETIONARY FUND APPLICATION - COUNCILLOR NEIL FISHER - HINDU TEMPLE OF CENTRAL QUEENSLAND

File No:	8295
Authorising Officer:	Emma Brodel - Senior Executive Assistant to the Mayor Damon Morrison - Manager Office of the Mayor Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Nicole Semfel - Executive Support Officer

SUMMARY

This report requests Council's consideration and approval for an allocation from Councillor Neil Fisher's Councillor Discretionary Fund towards an irrigation system at the Hindu Temple of Central Queensland.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Council approves the allocation of \$1,200.00 from Councillor Neil Fisher's Councillor Discretionary Fund towards the purchase and installation of an irrigation system at the Hindu Temple of Central Queensland.

Moved by:	Councillor Latcham
Seconded by:	Councillor Mathers
MOTION CARRIED	

9 OFFICERS' REPORTS

9.1 COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM - 2020/21 ROUND 3 APPLICATIONS

File No:	12535
Authorising Officer:	Alicia Cutler - General Manager Community Services
Author:	Kerri Dorman - Administration Supervisor

SUMMARY

Round 3 of the 2020/2021 Community Assistance Program closed on Monday 12 April 2021 with a total of ten applications received. Eight under the Minor Scheme, one under the Major Scheme and one application deemed ineligible. Accordingly, nine applications have been assessed and recommendations for funding are presented for Council consideration.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Council approves the Assessment Panel's recommended allocation of funding from the 3rd Round of the Community Assistance Program for the following, excluding Rockhampton Tennis Association item:

Applicant	Purpose of Grant/Sponsorship	Amount
Brothers Australian Football Club	Light Up Kele Park	\$10,000.00
Capricornia Catchments Inc	Capricornia Catchments Looking After Its Volunteers	\$1,871.00
Hands of Compassion World Aid Inc t/a Rockhampton Food Bank	Organisation Support	\$12,000.00
Ridgelands & District Rodeo & Show Association Inc	Ridgelands Campdraft	\$11,000.00
Rockhampton Lapidary Club Inc	Gem Expo 2021	\$5,000.00
Rockhampton Golf Club Inc	2021 Ian Weigh Toyota Rockhampton Pro-Am	\$7,000.00
Rockhampton Pipe Band Inc	Unisex Disabled Toilet Facility	\$10,890.00
Scripture Union Queensland	Powerkids 2021	\$2,160.20
TOTAL		\$59,921.20

Moved by:Councillor WickersonSeconded by:Councillor MathersMOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9:16AM

Councillor Latcham, having earlier informed the meeting of a declarable conflict of interest and his decision to not participate in the decision pertaining to Rockhampton Tennis Association, left the meeting room and stayed away while the matter was discussed and voted on.

Councillor Smith, having earlier informed the meeting of a declarable conflict of interest and her decision to not participate in the decision pertaining to Rockhampton Tennis Association, left the meeting room and stayed away while the matter was discussed and voted on.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Council approves the Assessment Panel's recommended allocation of funding from the 3rd Round of the Community Assistance Program for the Rockhampton Tennis Association item:

Applicant	Purpose of Grant/Sponsorship	Amount
Rockhampton Tennis Association	Town & Country Team Doubles Championships	\$3,000.00
TOTAL		\$3,000.00

Moved by:Councillor KirklandSeconded by:Councillor MathersMOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9:17AM Councillor Smith and Councillor Latcham returned to the meeting room

9.2 ROCKHAMPTON MUSEUM OF ART PHILANTHROPY BOARD MEMBER RECOMMENDATION

File No:	7104
Authorising Officer:	John Webb - Manager Communities and Culture Alicia Cutler - General Manager Community Services
Author:	Bianca Acimovic - Gallery Director

SUMMARY

The Rockhampton Museum of Art Philanthropy Board recommends to Rockhampton Regional Council the appointment of new Rockhampton Museum of Art Philanthropy Board Member.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Council accept the recommendation by the Rockhampton Museum of Art Philanthropy Board and appoint Dr Christine Campbell for a Term, in accordance with the Rockhampton Museum of Art Philanthropy Board Terms of Reference.

Moved by:Councillor WickersonSeconded by:Councillor MathersMOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.3 LOCAL LAW NO. 8 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS AND WASTE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICES POLICY

File No:	11979
Authorising Officer:	Peter Kofod - General Manager Regional Services
Author:	Michael O'Keeffe - Manager Rockhampton Regional Waste and Recycling

SUMMARY

This report seeks to address outstanding administrative matters resulting from the making of Local Law No. 8 (Waste Management) 2018, and, Council endorsement of the amended Waste & Recycling Collection Services Policy.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT

- 1. In accordance with section 5 of *Local Law No. 8 (Waste Management) 2018*, Council approves to designate the Region (being the Rockhampton Regional Area defined by the Local Government Areas of Queensland) in which the local government may conduct general waste or green waste collection.
- 2. For the purposes of the definition of "recyclable waste" in *Local Law No. 8 (Waste Management) 2018*, Council declares the following as recyclable waste:

Clean and empty household recyclable material (containers holding food, beverage and cleaning products) including:

- a) cans aluminium, steel including aerosols,
- b) paper and cardboard for example, newspaper, magazines, phone books, pizza boxes (no food or oil),
- c) cartons for example, milk, juice cartons, poppers,
- d) plastics product containers with the type 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 plastics recycling symbol,
- e) glass bottles and jars only, and
- f) aluminium foil, including food trays and disposable pie dishes.
- 3. For the purposes of the definition of "standard general waste container" in *Local Law No. 8 (Waste Management) 2018*, Council approves the standard general waste container as:
 - a) 240 litre waste container for general domestic and recyclable waste,
 - b) 140 litre waste container for assisted service for general domestic waste,
 - c) 660 litre waste container for bulk general domestic waste, and
 - d) 1,100 litre waste container for bulk general domestic waste.
- 4. For the purposes of the definition of "industrial waste container" in *Local Law No. 8* (*Waste Management*) 2018, Council approves the industrial waste container as a waste container provided as an integral component or recommended by the manufacturer of a waste interceptor to store for removal of industrial waste.
- 5. The Waste and Recycling Collection Services Policy, as amended, be adopted.

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

9.4 COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM: ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY SCHEME - APRIL 2021 COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

File No:	12535				
Authorising Officer:	Alicia Cutler	- Gener	al Ma	nager Commun	ity Services
Author:	Christine Sustainabilit	Bell y	-	Coordinator	Environmental

SUMMARY

This report tables the latest round of community-based initiatives submitted for consideration under Council's Community Assistance Program – Environment and Sustainability Scheme.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

That Council approves funding and support for the following community-led environment and sustainability initiative (figures are GST exclusive):

- Stanwell State School P&C Association Recycling Heroes (school recycling and composting initiatives), \$600 grant.
- Mount Morgan Central State School P&C Association The Full Circle (school composting and food waste reduction initiatives), \$1,200 grant.
- Capricornia Catchments Learning to utilize drones as critical property management tools (in collaboration with Wycarbah and District Landcare Group), \$3,000 grant.
- St Peter's Catholic Primary School P&F Association Don't waste our environment part 2 (school organics composting and green waste initiatives), \$1,500 grant.
- Rockhampton Mountain Bike Club Moores Creek trail repairs (historic shared access trails along Moores Creek at First Turkey Mountain Bike Reserve), \$3,000 grant.
- Emmaus College P&F Association Sustainability Youth Summit 2021 (to be hosted by the Student Sustainability Committee in collaboration with CQUniversity), \$2,500 grant.
- Central Queensland Aboriginal Corporation for Cultural Activities Tooling up for the Plant Tour Revival (supporting additional tools and equipment for nursery and land management activities), \$2,000 grant.

Moved by:Councillor KirklandSeconded by:Councillor WickersonMOTION CARRIED

9.5 ASSISTANT PORTFOLIO COUNCILLOR APPOINTMENT

File No:	10072
Authorising Officer:	Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer

SUMMARY

Following the recent consideration of Portfolio Titles a request has been received for an appointment as Assistant Portfolio Councillor for the Parks, Sport and Public Spaces Portfolio.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Councillor Wickerson be appointed as the Parks, Sport and Public Spaces Assistant Portfolio Councillor.

Moved by:Mayor WilliamsSeconded by:Councillor SmithMOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.6 INTERIM MANAGEMENT REPORT FOR THE ROCKHAMPTON REGIONAL COUNCIL 2020/2021

File No:	8151
Authorising Officer:	Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

Following the interim audit work performed to 31 March 2021 the Interim Management Letter was received from Thomas Noble & Russell (as delegate of the Auditor-General of Queensland). As required by the Local Government Regulation 2012, this is now presented to the next ordinary meeting of Council.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT the Interim Management Letter for the 2020/2021 financial audit for Rockhampton Regional Council be received.

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

9.7 2020-21 OPERATIONAL PLAN QUARTERLY REPORT - QUARTER THREE AND MINOR AMENDMENTS TO 2020-21 OPERATIONAL PLAN

File No:	8320
Authorising Officer:	Tracy Sweeney - Executive Manager Workforce and Governance
Author:	Allysa Brennan - Coordinator Legal and Governance

SUMMARY

The 2020-21 Operational Plan Quarterly Report for quarter three as at 31 March 2021, pursuant to section 174(3) Local Government Regulation 2012 is presented for Council endorsement together with proposed amendments to the 2020-21 Operational Plan for Council's adoption.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Council:

- (a) Receive the 2020-21 Operational Plan Quarterly Report for quarter three as at 31 March 2021; and
- (b) Adopt the amendments to the 2020-21 Operational Plan outlined in the report.

Moved by:Councillor KirklandSeconded by:Councillor LatchamMOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

11 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil

12 URGENT BUSINESS\QUESTIONS

Nil

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

10.29AM THAT the meeting be adjourned until 10:45am.

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

10:45AM The meeting resumed

Members Present:

The Mayor, Councillor A P Williams (Chairperson) Councillor S Latcham Councillor C E Smith Councillor M D Wickerson Councillor D Kirkland Councillor G D Mathers

In Attendance:

Mr E Pardon – Chief Executive Officer Mr R Cheesman – Deputy Chief Executive Officer Mr P Kofod – General Manager Regional Services Mr A Russell – Manager Strategy and Planning Mr C Wyatt – Coordinator Strategic Planning Ms L Leeder – Senior Committee Support Officer

Via Webex:

Mr G Bowden – Executive Manager Advance Rockhampton Ms T Sweeney – Executive Manager Workforce and Governance Mr D Morrison – Manager Office of the Mayor Ms K Roberts – Coordinator Property and Insurance Mr M Mansfield – Coordinator Media and Communications Ms A James – Strategic Planner Ms R Collins – Planning Assistant

13 CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with the provisions of section 254J(3) 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.

10:45AM

Councillor Smith, having earlier informed the meeting of a declarable conflict of interest and her decision to not participate in the decision, left the meeting room and stayed away while the matter was discussed and voted on.

Councillor Mathers, having earlier informed the meeting of a declarable conflict of interest and his decision to not participate in the decision, left the meeting room and stayed away while the matter was discussed and voted on.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT the meeting be closed to the public to discuss the following items, which are considered confidential in accordance with section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, for the reasons indicated.

14.1 Property Matter

In accordance with section 254J(3)(h) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* it is considered necessary to close the meeting to discuss negotiations relating to the taking of land by the local government under the Acquisition of Land Act 1967.

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

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

10:46AM

THAT pursuant to s5.11 *Council Meeting Procedures* the meeting moves into Closed Session and be closed to the public.

Moved by:Councillor KirklandSeconded by:Councillor LatchamMOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

11:11AM

THAT pursuant to s5.11 *Council Meeting Procedures* the meeting moves out of Closed Session and be opened to the public.

Moved by:Councillor LatchamSeconded by:Councillor WickersonMOTION CARRIED

14 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

14.1 PROPERTY MATTER

File No:	13762
Authorising Officer:	Angus Russell - Manager Strategy and Planning Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Cameron Wyatt - Coordinator Strategic Planning

In accordance with section 254J(3)(h) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* it is considered necessary to close the meeting to discuss negotiations relating to the taking of land by the local government under the Acquisition of Land Act 1967.

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present options for deliberation and decision.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

1. THAT Council endorse Option 1B as detailed in the report.

2. THAT the report be released publicly when possible.

Moved by:	Councillor Latcham	
Seconded by:	Councillor Kirkland	
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY		

11:12AM Councillor Smith and Councillor Mathers returned to the meeting room

15 CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11:12am.

SIGNATURE

CHAIRPERSON

DATE