



ORDINARY MEETING

MINUTES

24 JANUARY 2023

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**REPORT OF THE ORDINARY MEETING
HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 232 BOLSOVER STREET, ROCKHAMPTON
ON TUESDAY, 24 JANUARY 2023 COMMENCING AT 9:00AM**

1 OPENING

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

9:01AM Councillor Ellen Smith attended the meeting.

2 PRESENT

Members Present:

The Mayor, Councillor A P Williams (Chairperson)
Councillor S Latcham
Councillor C E Smith
Councillor C R Rutherford
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
Ms A Cutler – General Manager Community Services (via video link)
Mr P Kofod – General Manager Regional Services (via video link)
Ms M Taylor – Chief Financial Officer
Mr G Bowden – Executive Manager Advance Rockhampton
Mr D Morrison – Manager Workforce and Governance (via video link)
Mr J Webb – Manager Communities and Culture
Ms M Ryan – Economic Development Manager
Mr W Clark – Industry Engagement Manager
Mr M Millett – Coordinator Major Venues
Ms K Roberts – Coordinator Property and Insurance
Ms J Barrett – Communications Officer (via video link)
Ms S De Klerk – Heritage Village Operations Supervisor
Ms T Conrad – Executive Personal Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer
Ms K Walsh – Acting Senior Committee Support Officer

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Councillor Neil Fisher tendered his apology and was not in attendance.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 13 December 2022 be confirmed.

Moved by: Councillor Kirkland

Seconded by: Councillor Wickerson

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Grant Mathers was not in attendance and did not participate in the vote.

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

Nil

6 BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Nil

7 PUBLIC FORUMS/DEPUTATIONS

Nil

8 PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Nil

9 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nil

10 COUNCILLOR/DELEGATE REPORTS

Nil

11 OFFICERS' REPORTS

11.1 ROCKHAMPTON REGION ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY 2023-2028 AND ROCKHAMPTON REGION ECONOMIC ACTION PLAN 2023-2028

File No: 1291
Authorising Officer: Greg Bowden - Executive Manager Advance
Rockhampton
Author: Mary Ryan - Economic Development Manager

SUMMARY

This report presents to Council the final drafts of the Rockhampton Region Economic Development Strategy 2023-2028 (RREDS) and Rockhampton Region Economic Action Plan 2023-2028 (RREAP) following the public consultation and assessment period during November/December 2022.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Council endorses the Rockhampton Region Economic Development Strategy 2023-2028 and the Rockhampton Region Economic Action Plan 2023-2028.

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Kirkland

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Grant Mathers was not in attendance and did not participate in the vote.

11.2 SPONSORSHIP OF INFOFISH AUSTRALIA SUNTAG FORUM

File No: 11715
Authorising Officer: Greg Bowden - Executive Manager Advance
Rockhampton
Author: Zac Garven - Tourism Coordinator

SUMMARY

A request for sponsorship for the InfoFish Australia SunTag Forum event to be held in Brisbane on Friday 3 February 2023 is presented to Council for consideration.

9:22AM Councillor Rutherford left the room.
9:23AM Councillor Rutherford returned to the room.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Council approves the allocation of \$2,000 (ex GST) in funding for sponsorship of the InfoFish Australia SunTag Forum event to be held in Brisbane on Friday 3 February 2023.

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Kirkland

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Grant Mathers was not in attendance and did not participate in the vote.

11.3 REGIONAL ARTS DEVELOPMENT FUND 2022-2023 ROUND 1 FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

File No: 2837
Authorising Officer: John Webb - Manager Communities and Culture
 Alicia Cutler - General Manager Community Services
Author: Mark Millett - Coordinator Major Venues

SUMMARY

Applications received for Round One of the 2022-23 Regional Arts Development fund have been assessed by the RADF committee and five applications are recommended for funding.

An application to join the committee was received and their appointment to the committee is recommended.

9:33AM Councillor Grant Mathers attended the meeting.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT:

1. Council endorse the person listed in table (A) of this report to be appointment to the Regional Arts Development Fund Committee; and
2. Council endorses the applications listed Below in Table (B) for funding from the Regional Arts Development fund:

Table (A) – Applicants recommended for Endorsement to the RADF committee

<i>Name of Applicant</i>	<i>Skills and Expertise</i>
Janice Labbett	Visual Artist, Museums and Cultural Heritage experience

TABLE (B) – Applications recommended for Funding

Applicant	Purpose of grant	Grant Recommended
CQ Contemporary Artists	Skills development Workshop in Contemporary experimental monoprinting techniques The Workshop, with Sandra Pearce, an experienced artist and workshop facilitator with proven ability to deliver quality learning outcomes, will share valuable skills development and knowledge with local artists	\$3810
Denvah Music	Recording a film clip for my new single 'Typical' which is due to be released next The objectives for this project are fourfold. 1. To partner with local industry, businesses and other arts in a collaborative project. 2. To produce a film clip that the community can take pride in.	\$4485

	<p>3. To showcase home-grown Rockhampton talent, businesses and a small part of this beautiful region to wider Australian audience.</p> <p>4. To further enhance my music career development and opportunities.</p>	
Rockhampton Photography Club	<p>Photographic Society of Qld Convention 2023.</p> <p>This grant will be used towards the cost of hosting the PSQ Annual Convention being held in Rockhampton – Bringing top photography experts as presenters to central Queensland.</p>	\$9900
Royal Queensland Art Society Rockhampton Branch	<p>Palette Knife techniques in Oils at weekend workshop – This project is to bring renowned artist and tutor, Todd Whisson, to provide professional development opportunity for local artists.</p>	\$1794
Oliver Skryzypczynski	<p>Discomfort Zone Theatre</p> <p>Professional development in the area of Communications Strategy</p>	\$2117

Moved by: Councillor Wickerson

Seconded by: Councillor Smith

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.4 FEES AND CHARGES - ROCKHAMPTON HERITAGE VILLAGE

File No: 7816
Authorising Officer: Alicia Cutler - General Manager Community Services
Author: John Webb - Manager Communities and Culture

SUMMARY

The intention of this report is to submit an amendment to Council's Fees and Charges Schedule specific to the Rockhampton Heritage Village.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 2009* Council adopts the following changes to the Fees and Charges Schedule:

- the inclusion of market stallholder fees for Rockhampton Heritage Village for the remainder of 2022-2023 financial year; and
- the amended Shearing Shed hire schedule for Rockhampton Heritage Village ahead of the 2023-2024 financial year for the purposes of promotion and bookings in the 2024 calendar year and beyond.

Moved by: Councillor Wickerson

Seconded by: Councillor Latcham

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.5 SALE OF COUNCIL LAND - 337 CAMPBELL STREET

File No: 1680
Authorising Officer: Megan Younger - Manager Corporate and Technology Services
Marnie Taylor - Acting General Manager Corporate Services
Author: Michelle Mills - Property and Resumptions Officer
Kellie Roberts - Coordinator Property and Insurance

SUMMARY

Coordinator Property and Insurance reporting on a request to purchase Council land located at 337 Campbell Street, Rockhampton City.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT pursuant to section 236(1)(c)(iv) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 and item 5.3 of Council's Encroachment on Public Land policy, the Chief Executive Officer (Property and Resumptions Officer) be authorised to negotiate and enter into contracts for the sale of 337 Campbell Street, Rockhampton City (Lot 15 on RP600265) to MKL Retirement Property Pty Ltd Tte and TTPH Pty Ltd, the adjoining owners of 57-59 Derby Street (Lot 8 on RP600265) and 228-234 Kent Street (Lot 13 on RP600265), subject to the following conditions:

1. The sale price for each sale will be determined by an independent valuation report;
2. The purchasers must amalgamate the adjoining part of 337 Campbell Street with their adjoining lots;
3. All costs incurred will be paid by the purchasers, whether separately or jointly, including but not limited to the valuation report, stamp duty, survey costs, planning application costs, and registration fees; and
4. The Chief Executive Officer is authorised to sign the Owner's Consent to allow the purchasers to lodge the Development Application for the required Boundary Realignment.

Moved by: Councillor Mathers

Seconded by: Councillor Smith

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.6 RENEWAL OF LEASE - TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER, 10 PILBEAM DRIVE, MT ARCHER

File No: 10919
Authorising Officer: Megan Younger - Manager Corporate and Technology Services
Marnie Taylor - Acting General Manager Corporate Services
Author: Kellie Roberts - Coordinator Property and Insurance

SUMMARY

Coordinator Property & Insurance reporting on a request to renew the lease to BAI Communications Pty Ltd for premises situated at part of 10 Pilbeam Drive, Mt Archer (Lot 10 on RP617127), for telecommunication tower purposes.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT:

1. Pursuant to Section 236(1)(c)(iii) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 (Qld), Council approve the renewal of the Lease to BAI Communications Pty Ltd A.C.N 086 048 562 for the premises located at part of 10 Pilbeam Drive, Mt Archer (Lot 10 on RP617127); and
2. Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer (Coordinator Property & Insurance) to negotiate the terms and conditions of the lease in preparation for execution by the delegated Officer.

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Wickerson

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Meeting Adjourned**COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

10:06AM

That the meeting be adjourned until 10:20AM

Moved by: Mayor Williams**Seconded by: Councillor Wickerson****MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY*****Meeting Resumed*****COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

10:18AM

That the meeting be resumed.

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

Members Present:

The Mayor, Councillor A P Williams (Chairperson)
Councillor S Latcham
Councillor C E Smith
Councillor C R Rutherford
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
Ms A Cutler – General Manager Community Services (via video link)
Mr P Kofod – General Manager Regional Services (via video link)
Ms M Taylor – Chief Financial Officer
Mr G Bowden – Executive Manager Advance Rockhampton
Mr D Morrison – Manager Workforce and Governance (via video link)
Ms J Barrett – Communications Officer (via video link)
Ms S Jennings – Acting Coordinator Legal and Governance
Ms T Conrad – Executive Personal Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer
Ms K Walsh – Acting Senior Committee Support Officer

**11.7 SUMMARY BUDGET MANAGEMENT REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2022**

File No: 8148
Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

The Chief Financial Officer presenting the Rockhampton Regional Council Summary Budget Management Report for the period ended 31 December 2022.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT the Rockhampton Regional Council Summary Budget Management Report for the period ended 31 December 2022 be received.

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Kirkland

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.8 HOUSING CONSTRUCTION GRANT POLICY - RESCIND

File No: 1291
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

The Housing Construction Grant Policy is due to be rescinded as all eligible applications have been finalised and the date for approval and payment of grants under this policy has now passed.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT the Housing Construction Grant Policy be rescinded.

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Kirkland

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**11.9 WHOLE OF COUNCIL CORPORATE PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR PERIOD
ENDING DECEMBER 2022**

File No: 1392
Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Acting General Manager Corporate Services

SUMMARY

Deputy Chief Executive Officer presenting the Whole of Council Corporate Performance Report for period ending 31 December 2022 for Councillor's information.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT the Whole of Council Corporate Performance Report for period ending 31 December 2022 be 'received'.

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Rutherford

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.10 ROCKHAMPTON REGIONAL COUNCIL - 2022 CREDIT REVIEW

File No: 2114
Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Acting General Manager Corporate Services

SUMMARY

The results of the Credit Review process by Queensland Treasury Corporation (QTC) on behalf of the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning has been received and rated Council with a Moderate Rating with a Neutral Outlook.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT the Credit Review Report provided by Queensland Treasury Corporate be received.

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

11.11 SALE OF PROPERTIES FOR OVERDUE RATES - 2023

File No: 521
Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Acting General Manager Corporate Services

SUMMARY

Council has the authority pursuant to section 140(2) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 to sell the land described below for overdue rates and charges.

Meeting Adjourned**COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

10:55AM
That the meeting be adjourned until 11:15AM

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Latcham

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting Resumed**COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

11:06AM
That the meeting be resumed.

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Wickerson

MOTION CARRIED

Members Present:

The Mayor, Councillor A P Williams (Chairperson)
Councillor S Latcham
Councillor C E Smith
Councillor C R Rutherford
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
Ms A Cutler – General Manager Community Services (via video link)
Mr P Kofod – General Manager Regional Services (via video link)
Ms M Taylor – Chief Financial Officer
Mr D Morrison – Manager Workforce and Governance (via video link)
Ms J Barrett – Communications Officer (via video link)
Ms S Jennings – Acting Coordinator Legal and Governance
Ms T Conrad – Executive Personal Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer
Ms K Walsh – Acting Senior Committee Support Officer

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Council:

- (a) proceed with action to sell the properties as listed below (Property ID's provided) for overdue rates as provided for in *the Local Government Regulation 2012, Chapter 4, Part 12; and*
- (b) Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer its power to take all further steps under *Chapter 4, Part 12, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012* to effect sale of the land (including, for avoidance of doubt, the power to end sale proceedings).

770646	782496	827700
770927	785181	828165
772751	41179758	41093722
774638	786000	40858213
774649	786515	40909235
775925	790606	842148
776005	789160	842182
40760166	790146	842732
41120426	772257	843175
777285	779399	843591
777878	40198664	41095404
778725	40807439	41102684
778747	825778	41121728
779914	40236491	41153951
781839	826398	41234018
782125	827212	41234019
782374	827319	

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

12 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

13 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil

14 URGENT BUSINESS\QUESTIONS

Nil

15 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.

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.

16.1 Legal Matters Report - 1 October 2022 - 31 December 2022

In accordance with section 254J(3)(e) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* it is considered necessary to close the meeting to discuss legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government.

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Kirkland

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

11:12AM

THAT pursuant to s5.12 *Council Meeting Procedures* the meeting moves into Closed Session and be closed to the public.

Moved by: Councillor Wickerson
Seconded by: Councillor Mathers

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11:14AM The Chief Executive Officer left the meeting.

11:16AM The Chief Executive Officer returned to the meeting.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

11:18AM

THAT pursuant to s5.12 *Council Meeting Procedures* the meeting moves out of Closed Session and be opened to the public.

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

16 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

16.1 LEGAL MATTERS REPORT - 1 OCTOBER 2022 - 31 DECEMBER 2022

File No: 1392

Authorising Officer: Damon Morrison - Manager Workforce and Governance
Marnie Taylor - Acting General Manager Corporate Services

Author: Shannon Jennings - Acting Coordinator Legal and Governance

In accordance with section 254J(3)(e) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* it is considered necessary to close the meeting to discuss legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government.

SUMMARY

Presenting an update of current legal matters that Council is involved in as at 31 December 2022.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT the legal matters report containing updates on legal matters for Rockhampton Regional Council as at 31 December 2022 be received.

Moved by: Mayor Williams

Seconded by: Councillor Kirkland

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

17 CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11:19am.

SIGNATURE

CHAIRPERSON

DATE