



Redland
CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

Friday 11 September 2009

**Council Chambers
1st floor Administration Building
Bloomfield Street Cleveland. Qld 4163**

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9.01am.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Cr M Hobson PSM	Mayor
Cr T Bowler	Deputy Mayor and Councillor Division 6
Cr W Boglary	Councillor Division 1
Cr C Ogilvie	Councillor Division 2
Cr D Henry	Councillor Division 3
Cr J Burns	Councillor Division 4 – entered at 9.02am
Cr B Townsend	Councillor Division 5
Cr M Elliott	Councillor Division 7
Cr K Reimers	Councillor Division 8
Cr K Williams	Councillor Division 9
Cr H Murray	Councillor Division 10

EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP GROUP:

Mr G Stevenson PSM	Chief Executive Officer
Mr M Drydale	General Manager Corporate Services
Mr G Soutar	General Manager Redland Water
Mrs T Averay	General Manager Regulatory Services
Ms E Bray	Manager Water Reform
Mr L Wallace	Manager Corporate Planning, Performance & Risk representing A/General Manager Governance

MINUTES:

Mrs T Dunn	Team Leader - Corporate Meetings & Registers
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3 MOTION TO ALTER THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

Nil.

4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Nil.

5 DIRECT TO COUNCIL REPORTS

5.1 REPORT FROM OFFICE OF CEO

5.1.1 APPOINTMENT OF ACTING MAYOR

Datworks Filename: GOV Special Meeting of Council
Responsible Officer Name: Gary Stevenson
Chief Executive Officer
Author Name: Thorbjorg Dunn
Team Leader - Corporate Meetings & Registers

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In accordance with section 235(a) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council may, by resolution, appoint from its councillors an acting mayor, if at any time vacancies exist in the offices of mayor and deputy mayor.

The Mayor and Deputy Mayor will both be absent from Council from 17 September to 21 September 2009, inclusive, therefore requiring the appointment of an acting mayor to perform the duties of the mayor during this time.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to recommend that Council appoint an acting mayor for the period 17 September to 21 September 2009, inclusive.

BACKGROUND

On 24 June 2009, Council approved an international visit by the Mayor to attend the Asia Pacific Cities Summit in Incheon, Korea, visit Yongin City, Korea to progress a friendship agreement and establish a Sister City arrangement with Qinhuangdao, China. The Deputy Mayor will also be away from Redland City on other business from 17 September, returning on Monday 21 September 2009.

The appointment of an acting mayor is recommended for this period to perform official duties on behalf of the Mayor, and in the absence of the Deputy Mayor, including attending a Citizenship Ceremony.

RELATIONSHIP TO CORPORATE PLAN

The recommendation in this report primarily supports Council's strategic priority to provide a clear organisational direction supported by effective leadership and a framework of policies, plans and strategies that are responsive to the community's needs and which promote accountable and ethical standards of practice.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications associated with the recommendation in this report.

OPTIONS**PREFERRED**

That Council resolve to appoint an acting mayor from its councillors for the period 17 September to 21 September 2009, inclusive, to perform all the duties of the Mayor.

ALTERNATIVE

That Council resolve to not appoint an acting mayor in the absence of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the period 17 September to 21 September 2009.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolve to appoint an acting mayor from its councillors for the period 17 September to 21 September 2009, inclusive, to perform all the duties of the Mayor.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by: Cr Bowler
Seconded by: Cr Townsend

That Council resolve to appoint Cr Helen Murray as Acting Mayor for the period 17 September to 21 September 2009, inclusive, to perform all the duties of the Mayor.

CARRIED

6 CLOSED SESSION

MOTION TO CLOSE MEETING

Moved by: Cr Bowler
Seconded by: Cr Townsend

That the meeting be closed to the public to discuss item 6.1.1.

CARRIED

MOTION TO REOPEN MEETING

Moved by: Cr Bowler
Seconded by: Cr Boglary

That the meeting be again opened to the public.

CARRIED

6.1 REPORT FROM CORPORATE SERVICES

6.1.1 WATER BUSINESS THREE (WB3) ESTABLISHMENT

Datworks Filename: GOV WRAD - RCC Administration Resources
Responsible Officer Name: Martin Drydale
General Manager Corporate Services
Author Name: Eleanor Bray
Manager Water Reform

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The meeting was closed to the public to discuss a report from the General Manager Corporate Services dated 11 September 2009 in this matter, pursuant to Section 463(1)(h) of the *Local Government Act 1993*: "(h) 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."

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION/ COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by: Cr Bowler
Seconded by: Cr Williams

That Council resolve as follows:

1. That the report and attachment be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with sections 250 (2) and 1143 (4) of the Local Government Act and that the documents remain confidential until a simultaneous, joint communiqué to employees across all Water Business Three (WB3) Councils is made;
2. That Council agree to target the “Pragmatic Position” described herein in establishing Water Business Three by 1 July 2010;
3. That Council agree to act as agent for WB3 in collecting water and wastewater charges, using Councils existing processes and systems until 1 July 2011;
4. That Council agree to establish an interim company as a vehicle to establish the final WB3 entity and to appoint the Chief Executive Officer (Interim or Term appointment);
5. That Council agree to appoint the Council Chief Executive Officer as a Director to the Interim WB3;
6. That Council note the intention to adopt the name of the interim distribution entity;
7. That Council enter into the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) as it appears in the attachment to this report;
8. That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer in his capacity as a member of the Water Business Three Establishment Group (WB3EG) (comprising the Chief Executive Officers of Gold Coast City, Logan City and Redland City Councils), to make business decisions necessary to effect the establishment of WB3, noting that key decisions relating to the WB3 Constitution, Shareholders Agreement, equity determination methodology and final equity positions, ratification of Board appointments, WB3 Establishment budget approval, dividend policy, capital structure, and pricing will be made by individual Council resolution;
9. That Council underwrite WB3 establishment costs, with proportions between Councils determined on the basis defined in this report, subject to a further report to set upper limits; and
10. That Council lodge a request with Gold Coast City Council, Logan City Council and Scenic Rim Regional Council, as parties to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on the Establishment of Water Retailer Three, to dissolve the MOU.

CARRIED

7 MEETING CLOSURE

The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 9.37am.

Signature of Chairperson: _____

Confirmation date: _____