

MINUTES

Budget Review & Finance Committee

Meeting 11 February 2020, 12:30pm, Council Chambers

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ATTENDANCE

Present were the Chairperson Cr M Pearce (Mayor), Cr R Crouch (Deputy Mayor), and Councillors, R Bell, M Dusting, N Ledger, T O'Connor, L Sampson, I Strutt, and T Toomey, Acting General Manager (Mr D Aber), Director Infrastructure and Development (Mr T Seymour), Chief Financial Officer (Mr S Paul), Executive Manager Corporate Services (Ms S Glasson) and Minute Clerk.

1. OPENING & WELCOME

The Chair declared the meeting opened at 12:35pm.

2. PRAYER

The chair recited the Uralla Shire Council prayer.

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Uralla Shire Council recognises the traditional custodians of the land on which this meeting is being held and acknowledge Aboriginal Elders past and present and we pay respect to them and their heritage.

4. APOLOGIES, REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The Chair advised there were no apologies received.

5. DISCLOSURES & DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no disclosures or declarations made.

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes to be confirmed at the 11 February 2020 Meeting:

 Minutes of the Budget Review and Finance Committee Meeting held 12 November 2019.

The Chair referred Councillors to the minutes and called for any amendments.

MOTION (Crs R Crouch / I Strutt)

That the Committee confirm the minutes as a true and accurate record of the Budget Review and Finance Committee meeting held 12 November 2019.

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7. URGENT, SUPPLEMENTARY & LATE ITEMS OF BUSINESS

The Chair advised there were no urgent, supplementary or late items of business.

8. REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

Department: General Manager's Office Submitted by: Chief Financial Officer

Reference/Subject: Report 1 – Review increases in water fund fees and charges

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:

That the Committee recommend to Council that:

- 1. Water access charges for Uralla and Bundarra residents be increased by 22.5% in 2020-21;
- 2. Water access charges for Uralla and Bundarra residents be increased by 12.5% in 2021-22;
- 3. Water access charges for Uralla and Bundarra residents be increased by 7.5% in 2022-23;
- 4. Water consumption charges for Uralla and Bundarra residents be increased by 22.5% in 2020-21;
- 5. Water consumption charges for Uralla and Bundarra residents be increased by 12.5% in 2021-22;
- 6. Water consumption charges for Uralla and Bundarra residents be increased by 7.5% in 2022-23.

MOTION (Crs T O'Connor / I Strutt)

That the Committee recommend that Council:

i) Set a strategic objective for both the water and sewer funds to operate during the next ten years at a balanced operating position including the full funding of depreciation, amortisation and impairment of intangible assets and infrastructure, property, plant, equipment and the modelling of tiered water pricing.

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9. MOTIONS ON NOTICE

There were no 'Notices of Motion' addressed to the 11 February 2020 Meeting.

10. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

There were no Confidential Business items.

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11. MEETING CLOSE

The meeting closed at 1:48pm.