

# **MINUTES**

# **SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

Thursday 19 August 2021 (Held in the Council Chambers)

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# 1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Shire President declared the meeting open at 5.02 pm and welcomed Councillors, Staff and members of the public present.

# 2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr Mike Walmsley Cr Naomi Purcell Cr Karen Odorisio Cr Vince Vitale Cr John Mason Cr Noel Dew Mrs Kirsty Ferraro Mrs Sue Cicolari Shire President Deputy Shire President Councillor Councillor Councillor Manager Corporate Services Executive Assistant

# APOLOGIES

Cr Larry Scott

Councillor

# LEAVE OF ABSENCE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED

Cr Laurie Snell

Councillor

There were two members of the public present at the commencement of the meeting.

- 3. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE Nil.
- 4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME Nil.
- 5. PETITIONS AND APPROVED DEPUTATIONS Nil.
- 6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS N/A
- 7. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING MEMBER Nil.
- 8. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MEMBERS Nil.
- 9. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

(Disclosure of interest <u>MUST ALSO</u> be made by the member or officer immediately prior to a matter, for which an interest is being disclosed, is dealt with.)

# 10. RECEPTION OF MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEES Nil.

- 11. REPORTS OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND OFFICERS
- 11.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

11.1.1 CEO Recruitment Panel – Terms of Reference -2021				
File Ref:	1/7			
Previous Items:	N/A			
Applicant:	N/A			
Author and Title:	Dean Unsworth, Chief Executive Officer			
Declaration of Interest:	Nil			
Voting Requirements:	Simple Majority			
Appendix Number	11.1.1			

COUNCIL RESOLUTION SCM21/08/103 Moved: Cr Dew Seconded: Cr Purcell

Council endorse the CEO Recruitment Panel–Terms of Reference 2021 as per Attachment 11.1.1 to comply with the Standards and relevant regulations.

#### CARRIED 6/0

#### SUMMARY/MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

On the 27 July, 2021, Council endorsed the Standards for the CEO Recruitment, Performance and Termination. In accordance with these Standards Council is to consider the CEO Recruitment Panel – Terms of Reference.

#### ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 11.1.1 "CEO Recruitment Panel – Terms of Reference 2021".

# BACKGROUND

Under the Local Government (Administration) Amendment Regulations 2021 the Guidelines for the Local Government CEO Recruitment and Selection, Performance Review and Termination were amended February 2021. Local Government Councils are now required develop or update policies, procedures and/or terms and reference that relate to the management and implementation of future CEO recruitment, selection, performance and termination processes.

On this basis the Council having endorsed Standards to comply with the above regulations is required to consider and endorse the CEO Recruitment Panel – Terms of Reference 2021, that is attached to agenda item, in line with the regulations and to enable the recently formed CEO Recruitment Panel in view of the CEO's resignation received and accepted by Council.

# COMMENT

None

# STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

None

None

# **BUDGET/FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

None

# **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

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11.1.2 CEO Recruitment Panel – Confidentiality Agreement 2021			
File Ref:	54/1		
Previous Items:	N/A		
Applicant:	N/A		
Author and Title:	Dean Unsworth, Chief Executive Officer		
Declaration of Interest:	Nil		
Voting Requirements:	Simple Majority		
Appendix Number	11.1.2		

COUNCIL RESOLUTION SCM21/08/104 Moved: Cr Mason Seconded: Cr Odorisio

That Council endorse the "Confidentiality Agreement" as per Attachment 11.1.2 to comply with the Standards and relevant regulations.

# CARRIED 6/0

#### SUMMARY/MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

On the 27 July 2021, Council endorsed the Standards for the CEO Recruitment, Performance and Termination. In accordance with these Standards Council is to consider the CEO Recruitment Panel – Confidentiality Agreement 2021.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 11.1.2 "CEO Recruitment Panel – Confidentiality Agreement 2021"

#### BACKGROUND

Under the Local Government (Administration) Amendment Regulations 2021 the Guidelines for the Local Government CEO Recruitment and Selection, Performance Review and Termination were amended February 2021. Local Government Councils are now required to develop and implement a Confidentiality Agreement that the panel members are obliged to adhere too when members are elected to form part of a CEO Recruitment and Selection

The Council recently have endorsed a CEO Recruitment Panel to commence the recruitment process in view of the Shire's current CEO resignation. To comply with the Standards and Regulations the Council is requested to consider and endorse the attached "Confidentiality Agreement" for the CEO Recruitment Panel.

Upon Council endorsement all members of the panel will be required to sign the Confidentiality Agreement and be provided with a copy of the CEO Recruitment Panel – Terms of Reference 2021.

# **COMMENT**

None

#### STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

None

None

# **BUDGET/FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

None.

# **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

11.1.3 CEO Recruitment 2021 – Position Description			
File Ref:	54/1		
Previous Items:	N/A		
Applicant:	N/A		
Author and Title:	Dean Unsworth, Chief Executive Officer		
Declaration of Interest:	Nil		
Voting Requirements:	Absolute Majority		
Appendix Number	11.1.3		

COUNCIL RESOLUTION SCM21/08/105 Moved: Cr Odorisio Seconded: Cr Dew

That Council endorse the revised "CEO Position Description" as per Attachment 11.1.3 to comply with the Standards and relevant regulations.

#### **CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 6/0**

#### SUMMARY/MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

On the 27 July 2021, Council endorsed the Standards for the CEO Recruitment, Performance and Termination. In accordance with these Standards and Regulations, Council is now required consider revised CEO Position Description before the commencement of the CEO Recruitment and Selection Process including advertising.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 11.1.3 "CEO Position Description 2021".

# BACKGROUND

The Local Government (Administration) Amendment Regulations 2021 the Guidelines for the Local Government CEO Recruitment and Selection, Performance Review and Termination were amended February 2021. Local Government Councils are now required to endorse the position description for the role of CEO before the commencement of a CEO Recruitment and Selection process including advertising.

The Council recently have endorsed a CEO Recruitment Panel to commence the recruitment process in view of the Shire's current CEO resignation. Therefore, to comply with the Standards and Regulations the Council is required to consider and endorse the attached revised CEO Position Description.

# **COMMENT**

None

# STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

None

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

None

# **BUDGET/FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Not known.

# **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

That the meeting be closed to members of the public in accordance with Section 5.23(2)(d) of the Local Government Act 1995 to deal with confidential items relating to staff matters, the time being 5.04 pm.

CARRIED 6/0

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# **CONFIDENTIAL ITEM**

A contract entered into, or which may be entered into, by the local government. Local Government Act 1995 section 5.23(2)(c)

11.1.4 Confidential Item CEO Recruitment 2021 – Employment Contract			
File Ref:	54/1		
Previous Items:	N/A		
Applicant:	N/A		
Author and Title:	Dean Unsworth, Chief Executive Officer		
Declaration of Interest:	Nil		
Voting Requirements:	Absolute Majority		
Appendix Number	11.1.4		

COUNCIL RESOLUTION SCM21/08/107 Moved: Cr Odorisio Seconded: Cr Mason

That Council endorse the revised "CEO Employment Contract" as per Attachment 11.1.4 to comply with the Standards and relevant regulations.

# **CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 6/0**

# SUMMARY/MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

On the 27 July 2021, Council endorsed the Standards for the CEO Recruitment, Performance and Termination. In accordance with these Standards and Regulations, Council is now required to consider revised CEO Employment Contract before the commencement of the CEO Recruitment and Selection Process.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 11.1.4 "CEO Employment Contract" terms and conditions.

# BACKGROUND

The Local Government (Administration) Amendment Regulations 2021 the Guidelines for the Local Government CEO Recruitment and Selection, Performance Review and Termination were amended February, 2021. Local Government Councils are now required to endorse CEO Employment Contract terms and conditions.

The remuneration package for this role is in line with the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal under Section 7A of the Salaries and Allowances Act 1975. The Council is a category Band 3 with a remuneration package ranging from \$157,920 to \$260,471 per annum depending on qualifications and experience and in line with contract negotiations with the preferred candidate.

The Council recently have endorsed a CEO Recruitment Panel to commence the recruitment process in view of the Shire's current CEO role sharing with Shire of Murray will cease by end of 2021. Therefore, to comply with the Standards and Regulations the Council is required to consider and endorse the attached revised CEO Employment Contract 2021 in line with Category Band 3 remuneration package.

When the CEO Recruitment Panel are ready to recommend a preferred candidate to Council, having gone through the recruitment process, the attached employment contract terms and conditions will form part of the contract negotiations. This contract will be completed and presented to Council for endorsement of the new CEO with the contract remuneration details.

# COMMENT

None

# STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

None

# **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

None

# **BUDGET/FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Not known.

# **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

COUNCIL RESOLUTION SCM21/08/108 Moved: Cr Vitale Seconded: Cr Purcell

That the meeting proceed in public, the time being 5.05 pm.

CARRIED 6/0

- 12. BUSINESS LEFT OVER FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING Nil.
- 13. ELECTED MEMBERS MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN Nil.
- 14. NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION AT A FOLLOWING MEETING Nil.
- 15. NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE APPROVED BY THE PERSON PRESIDING OR BY DECISION OF THE MEETING Nil.
- 16. MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC Nil.

# 17. CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business the Chairperson closed the meeting the time being 5.06 pm.

I CERTIFY THAT THESE MINUTES WERE CONFIRMED AT THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD 24 AUGUST 2021 AS BEING A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS.

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PRESIDING MEMBER

DATE