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MINUTES

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

HELD ON

17 APRIL 2014

AT 5.00pm

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LITHGOW COUNCIL EXTRAORDINARY MEETING
HELD AT THE CIVIC CENTRE, LITHGOW ON 17 APRIL 2014**

Meeting Commenced 5.00pm

Public:

PRESENT

Her Worship the Mayor
Councillor M Statham
Councillor R Thompson
Councillor R Higlett
Councillor C Hunter
Councillor F Inzitari
Councillor J J McGinnes
Councillor P Pilbeam
Councillor M F Ticehurst

APOLOGIES

14-176 RESOLVED

An apology was received from and leave of absence granted to from Councillor W McAndrew who is out of the City on personal business.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor P Pilbeam

Also in attendance

Mr Roger Bailey, General Manager
Mr Christopher Brice, Finance Manager
Mr Iain Stewart, Group Manager Operations

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Her Worship the Mayor called for Declarations of Interest on any matter before the Meeting.

Nil.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

At 5.02pm Members of public gallery were invited to participate in the Public Forum Session.

PF - 17/04/14 - Renee Difranco

Ms Difranco spoke in relation to Item 1 on the agenda.

The Mayor thanked her for her comments.

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CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY REPORTS

ITEM-1 CORP - 17/04/14 - COMBINED DELIVERY PROGRAM 2013-2017 AND DRAFT OPERATIONAL PLAN 2014-2015

14-177 RESOLVED

THAT:

1. Council note the operating result of the Draft Operational Plan is a deficit position of \$167,673.24
2. Council applies to the Office of Local Government for \$2,000,000 of the LIRS subsidy to be switched from the Aquatic Centre Stage 4 to the Farmers Creek Flood Mitigation Program.
3. The combined Delivery Program 2013-2017 and Draft Operational Plan 2014-2015 be placed on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days. This will include the following documents:
 - a. The combined Delivery Program 2013/14 – 2016/17 and Draft Operational Plan 2014/15.
 - b. Draft Fees and Charges 2014/15.
4. Council make the further adjustments to the Draft Operational Plan to achieve a breakeven result.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari

14-178 RESOLVED

THAT Council suspend Standing Orders to allow discussion in relation to aspects of the budget.

14-179 RESOLVED:

THAT Council reduce the workers compensation expense and associated transfer to reserve by \$100,000.

MOVED: Councillor Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor Pilbeam

A **DIVISION** was called by Councillors M F Ticehurst and J J McGinnes.

Division -

FOR

Councillor R Thompson

Councillor P Pilbeam
Councillor C Hunter
Councillor R Higlett
Councillor F Inzitari
Councillor M Statham

AGAINST

Councillor M F Ticehurst
Councillor J J McGinnes

14-180 RESOLVED

THAT Council remove the proposed drainage project of \$15,000 at the Lithgow Golf Club from the Draft Operational Plan.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson **SECONDED:** Councillor F Inzitari

14-181 RESOLVED

THAT Council remove the proposed refurbishment project of \$45,000 at the Lithgow Visitor Information Centre from the Draft Operational Plan.

MOVED: Inzitari **SECONDED:** Councillor P Pilbeam

14-182 RESOLVED

THAT Council reduce the planned improvements (top dressing) at the Sportsfields by \$8,000.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson **SECONDED:** Councillor F Inzitari

14-183 RESOLVED

THAT with the exception of planned safety works and associated signage improvements of \$15,000, that Council only proceed with improvements at Blast Furnace Park where there is matching grant funding.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari

SECONDED: Councillor C Hunter

14-184 RESOLVED

THAT Council defer the preparation of the Marrangaroo DCP and remove the project from the Draft Operational Plan.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari

MOTION:

THAT Council allocate \$30,000 in the Draft Operational Plan for the preparation of a Management Plan for Farmers Creek.

MOVED: Councillor C Hunter

The Motion **LAPSED** for the want of a seconder.

BUSINESS OF GREAT URGENCY

In accordance with Clause 241 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005 business may be transacted at a meeting of Council even though due notice of the business has not been given to the Councillors. However, this can happen only of:

- a) *A motion is passed to have the business transacted at the meeting: and*
- b) *The business proposed to be brought forward is ruled by the Chairperson to be of great urgency.*

NIL

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5.53pm.