



Moreland City Council

Minutes of the Special Council Meeting

Held on Thursday 23 September 2021

The Mayor opened the meeting at 6.02 pm and stated the Council meeting is being held on the traditional country of the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people and acknowledged them as Traditional Owners. The Mayor paid respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging, and the Elders from other communities who may be here today.

Present	Time In	Time Out
Cr Annalivia Carli Hannan, Mayor	6.02 pm	6.09 pm
Cr Mark Riley, Deputy Mayor	6.02 pm	6.09 pm
Cr Adam Pulford	6.02 pm	6.09 pm
Cr Angelica Panopoulos	6.02 pm	6.09 pm
Cr Helen Davidson	Apology	
Cr Helen Pavlidis	Apology	
Cr James Conlan	6.04 pm	6.09 pm
Cr Lambros Tapinos	6.02 pm	6.09 pm
Cr Milad El-Halabi	Apology	
Cr Oscar Yildiz JP	6.02 pm	6.09 pm
Cr Sue Bolton	6.02 pm	6.09 pm

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr Helen Davidson, Cr Helen Pavlidis and Cr Milad El-Halabi were apologies to the meeting.

OFFICERS

Chief Executive Officer – Cathy Henderson
Director Business Transformation – Sue Vujcevic
Director City Infrastructure – Anita Curnow
Director Engagement and Partnerships – Joseph Tabacco
Acting Director City Futures – Phillip Priest
Acting Director Community Development – Barry Hahn
Unit Manger Finance – Jemma Wightman
Acting Manager Governance and Strategy – Sapphire Christofilos
Team Leader Governance – Naomi Ellis

DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

6.04 pm Cr James Conlan entered the meeting.

COUNCIL REPORTS

4.1 2020/21 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE STATEMENTS

Executive Summary

Council's Financial and Performance Statements (the Statements) for the 2020/21 financial year have been prepared and reviewed by the Victorian Auditor General's Office and Council's Audit and Risk Management Committee.

This report seeks Council's 'in principle' approval of the Statements and the appointment of 2 Councillors and the Chief Executive Officer to sign the 2020/21 Statements in their final form.

Council is reporting an accounting surplus of \$29.392 million for the financial year 2020/21. This accounting surplus includes items such as non-cash contributions, capital grants, loan redemptions and committed capital or operational expenditure for future years.

After excluding non-cash items included in the accounting surplus, capital expenditure and committed funding requirements, Council had an unrestricted surplus of \$4.176 million.

It is recommended that Council commits the unrestricted surplus of \$4.176 million to the Local Government Funding Vehicle Reserve. Council has a loan that is due for renewal during the 2021/22 financial year. The additional transfer to the reserve will mean Council needs to utilise a lesser amount of the cash reserves to pay off the loan.

Officer Recommendation

That Council, in accordance with the recommendations of the Audit and Risk Management Committee, and having considered Council's Financial and Performance Statements for 2020/2021 Statements at Attachments 1 and 2 to this report:

1. Approves 'in principle' the Financial and Performance Statements 2020/21.
2. Authorises the Mayor, Cr Annalivia Carli Hannan, Deputy Mayor, Cr Mark Riley, and the Chief Executive Officer, Cathy Henderson, to certify the Financial and Performance Statements for 2020/2021 in their final form.
3. Notes the unrestricted cash surplus of \$4.176 million transfers to the Local Government Funding Vehicle Reserve.
4. Carries forward the \$1.082 million of tied grant funding or contributions that were not spent at 30 June 2021.
5. Carries forward the \$0.622 million of operating projects into the 2021/22 Operating Projects Expenditure Program.
6. Carries forward the \$13.752 million of capital project funds into the 2021/22 Capital Expenditure program.
7. Authorises the repayment of the \$8.0 million interest only loan in November 2021.
8. Authorises the Principal Accounting Office to implement any minor administrative changes to the Financial and Performance Statements for 2020/2021 if recommended by the Auditor-General upon final review, for approval by the Chief Executive Officer.

Resolution

Cr Riley moved, Cr Yildiz seconded -

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6.07 pm Cr Conlan left the meeting during the debate.

6.08 pm Cr Conlan returned to the meeting during the debate.

Carried

The meeting closed at 6.09 pm.

Confirmed

Cr Annalivia Carli Hannan
MAYOR