

EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES FROM THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 20 FEBRUARY 2014

5 NOTICES OF MOTION

5.1 Notice of Motion - Special Rate Variation

Ref: INT/2014/01810

31/14 Moved Cr Maher Seconded Cr Richardson

- (a) That Council apply to IPART for a special rate variation of equivalent to 10% for seven years on Residential, Rural Residential, Business and Mining and exempt the Farmland category (for a twelve month period) from the application in recognition of the extreme drought conditions currently prevailing.
- (b) That Council amend the current asset management plans to reflect the source and application of funding.
- (c) That Council conduct a review of the rating categories and how services are funded for each category.

Cr Beyersdorf asked for Councillors to speak from the Councillors' table. The Mayor ruled that Councillors could speak from the microphone. Cr Beyersdorf dissented the Mayor's ruling. Moved Cr Beyersdorf That Councillors remain at their seats during the meeting. The Motion on being put to the vote was lost.

AMENDMENT

Moved Cr Beyersdorf Seconded Cr Gadd

- (a) That Council apply to IPART for a special rate variation of equivalent to 10% for seven years on all rate categories.
- (b) That Council amend the current asset management plans to reflect the source and application of funding.
- (d) That Council conduct a review of the rating categories and how services are funded for each category.

FORESHADOWED MOTION

- (a) That Council submit an application to IPART for a special rate variation of 10% for 7 years commencing in the financial year 2014/15.
- (b) That Council undertake a review of Council operations and productivity benchmarked against relevant external industry standards prior to any further special rate variation application .
- (c) That Council commit to ongoing consultation with the community and Council staff in relation to the above reviews.



(d) That Council urgently review its hardship policy.

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Amendment on being put to the vote was LOST.

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The Motion on being put to the vote was Lost.

Moved Cr O'Connor Seconded Cr Bailey

- (a) That Council submit an application to IPART for a special rate variation of 10% above rate pegging for 7 years commencing in the financial year 2014/15.
- (b) That Council undertake a review of Council operations and productivity benchmarked against relevant external industry standards prior to any further special rate variation application .
- (c) That Council commit to ongoing consultation with the community and Council staff in relation to the above reviews.
- (d) That Council urgently review its hardship policy.
- (e) That Council amend the current Asset Management Plans to reflect the actual extra income received.



(f) That Council review the rating categories and the services delivered for each.

The Motion on being put to the vote was CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- DIVISION The result being:-
- FOR: Crs J Bailey, H Beyersdorf, L Bishop, C Gadd, C Halligan, J Maher, A Murat, M O'Connor, P O'Donohue and R Richardson
- AGAINST: Nil



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6. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

6.1 Integrated Planning and Reporting - Community Engagement on the Special Rate Variation Proposal Ref: INT/2014/01839

32/14 Moved Cr Bailey Seconded Cr Maher

- (a) That the report on the Integrated Planning and Reporting Community Engagement on the Special Rate Variation be noted.
- (b) That the Delivery Program 2014-2018, the Long Term Financial Plan and the Asset Management Plans be adopted as a revised document.

The Motion on being put to the vote was CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.