MINUTES OF THE FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON THURSDAY 9 APRIL 2015 COMMENCING AT 5:00PM

PRESENT (C6-15-5)

Councillors Lilliane Brady OAM (Mayor), Peter Abbott (Deputy Mayor), Marsha Isbester, Tracey Kings, Jarrod Marsden, Peter Maxwell, Bob Sinclair and Peter Yench. Messrs Gary Woodman (General Manager), Kym Miller (Director of Corporate and Community Services), Errol George (Director of Engineering Services) and Stephen Poulter (Acting Director of Planning and Environmental Services) and Ms Janette Booth (Executive Assistant to the General Manager).

APOLOGIES (C16-15-6)

15FP.04.2015 RECOMMENDATION: That the apologies received from Councillors Greg Martin, Harley Toomey and Ray Wilson be

accepted and a leave of absence granted.

Clr Marsden/ Clr Sinclair

CARRIED

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (FILE C6-15-7)

Nil.

REPORT 1A – GAS PIPELINE FUNDING AND INVESTIGATION REPORT

FILE: G1-2 AOP REFERENCE: 2.1.5

AUTHOR: Special Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd

16FP.04.2015 RECOMMENDATION: Considering the high cost of bringing gas into Cobar and any subsequent power station project, and the lack of funding and business partners, Council resolves to not investigate this project any further until circumstances change.

Clr Maxwell/ Clr Abbott CARRIED

REPORT 2A – CHANGE TO ORGANISATION STRUCTURE FILE: S5-2 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.2.2

AUTHOR: Human Resources Manager, Michelle Maidens

17FP.04.2015 RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that Council resolve to re-determine the Organisation Structure so that the Human Resources Manager reports directly to the General Manager.

Clr Isbester/ Clr Kings CARRIED

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GENERAL MANAGER MAYOR

Councillor Jarrod Marsden asked to have his name recorded as voting against the motion.

REPORT 1B - COBAR SWIMMING POOL/ YOUTH AND FITNESS CENTRE CO-LOCATION HIGH LEVEL FEASIBILITY STATEMENT REPORT

FILE: G4-19, A9-16, A10-22 AOP REFERENCE: 1.5.3

AUTHOR: Special Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd and Director Corporate and Community Services, Kym Miller

18FP.04.2015 RECOMMENDATION: That the Finance and Policy Meeting proceedings be suspended for discussions on the Cobar Swimming Pool/ Youth and Fitness Centre Co-Location High Level Feasibility Statement Report matter.

Clr Yench/ Clr Sinclair

CARRIED

The Meeting was suspended for discussion of the matter at 5:03pm. The Meeting was resumed for normal proceedings at 5:16pm.

19FP.04.2015 RECOMMENDATION: That further development and investigation goes into the consolidation of the Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre and the Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool proposal and that it goes to the Economic Taskforce for discussion.

Clr Yench/ Clr Sinclair

CARRIED

REPORT 2B – GRANT FUNDING

FILE: G4-17 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.4

AUTHOR: Special Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd

20FP.04.2015 RECOMMENDATION: That the information contained in the grant funding report detailing grants applied for, grants announced and grants available be received and noted.

Clr Sinclair/ Clr Kings CARRIED

REPORT 3B - BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW & LOAN FACILITY SUMMARIES AS AT 31 MARCH 2015

FILE: B2-7 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.7

AUTHOR: Manager Finance & Administration, Neil Mitchell

21FP.04.2015 RECOMMENDATION: That Council receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Cash Flow and Loan Facility Report as at 31 March 2015.

Clr Abbott/ Clr Sinclair

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REPORT 4B – RATES RECONCILIATION REPORT AS AT 31 MARCH 2015

FILE: R2-1 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.6

AUTHOR: Rates Officer, Jo-Louise Brown

22FP.04.2015 RECOMMENDATION: That the Rates Reconciliation Report as at

the 31 March 2015 be received and noted.

Clr Abbott/ Clr Kings CARRIED

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GENERAL MANAGER