

Finance and Planning Committee

Minutes

Date: Wednesday 1 February 2023

**Venue: Civic Centre (Council Meeting Room)
13 Mair Street, Benalla**

The Finance and Planning Committee Meeting was live streamed and recorded. Members of the public were encouraged to watch the live broadcast of the meeting at www.benalla.vic.gov.au

In accordance with Rule 6.4 of the *Governance Rules 2020* an audio recording was made of the proceedings of the meeting.

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Agenda

Chair Councillor Danny Claridge

Councillors Councillor Peter Davis
 Councillor Don Firth
 Councillor Bernie Hearn (Mayor)
 Councillor Punarji Hewa Gunaratne
 Councillor Justin King
 Councillor Gail O’Brien

In attendance Dom Testoni Chief Executive Officer
 Robert Barber General Manager Corporate
 Courtney Naughton Manager Economic Development and Sustainability
 Greg Robertson Manager Facilities and Information Technology
 Nilesh Singh Manager Development
 Tom Arnold Community Development Coordinator
 Jessica Beaton Governance Coordinator
 Nathan Gasperoni Economic Sustainability Officer

Opening and Acknowledgment of Country

The Chair opened the meeting at 6pm and recited the following Acknowledgement of Country.
We, the Benalla Rural City Council, acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we are meeting. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present and to Elders from other communities who may be here today.

Apologies

No apologies were submitted to the meeting.

Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes were circulated to Councillors and posted on the Council website www.benalla.vic.gov.au pending confirmation at the meeting.

Cr Davis / Cr Gunaratne:

That the Minutes of the Finance and Planning Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 7 December 2022 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Carried

Disclosures of Conflict of Interest

No conflicts of interest were disclosed to the meeting.

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Business

1. Planning And Building Approvals – November and December 2022

The report detailed planning permit applications and building approvals for November and December 2022.

Cr King / Cr Hearn:
That the report be noted.

Carried

2. 2022/2023 Community Sponsorship Program

The report presented funding applications under the 2022/23 Community Sponsorship Program.

Cr Davis / Cr Hearn:
That \$500 grants from the 2022/2023 Community Sponsorship Program be allocated to Benalla Bushrangers Cricket Club and Tatong Tattler Incorporated.

Carried

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3. Benalla Airport Leasing Opportunities – Intention to Lease Land

The report sought approval to commence consultation on the intention to lease land at the Benalla Airport.

Cr King / Cr Gunaratne:

That the Finance and Planning Committee, acting under its delegated authority of the Council, resolve:

That the Council give notice under section 115 of the *Local Government Act 2020* of its intention to enter into a lease with Martin Jacobson for hangar land lease.

The principal terms of the lease will be:

- 1. A term of five years commencing on 1 July 2023 with an option of four further terms of five years.**
- 2. To waive until 1 July 2024 lease costs, excluding the Fire Services Property Levy. From 1 July 2024, all applicable lease fees will be payable for the remaining term of the lease.**
- 3. The lease will be adjusted annually by the All-Groups Consumer Price Index except for the fifth anniversary of the commencement of the lease where the fee will be reviewed to market value.**

Carried

4. Proposed Tesla Carpark Lease

The report presented for consideration the proposal for Tesla to lease the Council owned Smythe Street Carpark next to Woolworths for the purpose of an Electric Vehicle (EV) charging station.

Cr Hearn / Cr O'Brien:

That the Finance and Planning Committee, acting under its delegated authority of the Council, resolve:

That the proposed Tesla Carpark Project be endorsed and placed on public exhibition for a period of at least 28 days.

Carried

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5. CEO Credit Card and Reimbursements For The Quarter Ended 31 December 2022

The report detailed expenditure associated with the corporate credit card issued to the Chief Executive Officer for the quarter ended 31 December 2022.

Cr Firth / Cr Hearn:

That a \$2,343.65 reimbursement to the Chief Executive Officer be approved.

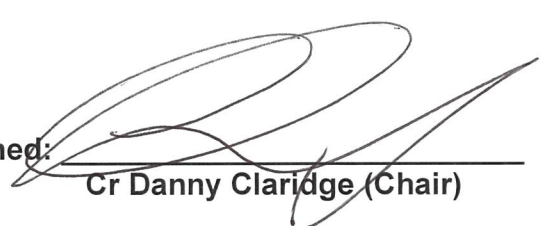
Carried

Closure of Meeting

The Finance and Planning Committee meeting closed at 6.46pm.

Confirmed this first day of March 2023.

Signed:



Cr Danny Claridge (Chair)