

# SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

# 22 July 2019

### **NOTICE OF MEETING**

A Special Meeting of the Shire of Cue

To be held on 22 July 2019
in the Council Chambers commencing at 6.00 PM

The purpose of the Meeting is to consider the following item:

1. Setting of the Annual Rate in the Dollar for 2019-2020 Financial Year and apply to the Minister for Local Government to Impose Differential Rates.

**Rob Madson** 

**Chief Executive Officer** 

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The advice and information contained herein is given by and to the Council without liability or responsibility for its accuracy. Before placing any reliance on this advice or information, a written inquiry should be made to the Council giving entire reasons for seeking the advice or information and how it is proposed to be used.

Please note this agenda contains recommendations, which have not yet been adopted by Council.

#### SHIRE OF CUE

#### DISCLOSURE OF FINANCIAL INTEREST AND INTERESTS AFFECTING IMPARTIALITY To: Chief Executive Officer

As required by section 5.65(1)(a) or 5.70 of the Local Government Act 1995 and Council's Code of Conduct, I hereby declare my interest in the following matter/s included on the Agenda paper for the Council meeting to be held on (Date)

Item No.	Subject	Details Interest	of	Type of Interest Impartial/Financial	*Extent of Interest
(see below)					

(see below)

* Extent of Interest only has to be declared if the Councillor also requests to remain present at
a meeting, preside, or participate in discussions of the decision making process (see item 6
below). Employees must disclose extent of interest if the Council or Committee requires them
to.

Name (Please Print) Signature Date

#### NB

- This notice must be given to the Chief Executive Officer prior to the meeting or at the meeting immediately before the matter in which you have declared an interest is discussed, Section 5.65(1) (a) & (b).
- 2. It remains Councillors'/Employees' responsibility to make further declarations to the Council if a matter arises during the course of a meeting and no previous declarations have been made.
- 3. It is a Councillor's/Employee's responsibility to ensure the interest is brought to the attention of the Council/Committee when the Agenda item arises and to ensure that it is recorded in
- 4. It remains the Councillor's responsibility to ensure that he/she does not vote on a matter in which a declaration has been made. The responsibility also includes the recording of particulars in the minutes to ensure they are correct when such minutes are confirmed.
- 5. It is recommended that when previewing Agenda, Councillors mark Agendas with items on which an interest is to be declared and complete the declaration form at the same time.
- 6. Councillors may be allowed to remain at meetings at which they have declared an interest and may also be allowed to preside (if applicable) and participate in discussions and the decision making process upon the declared matter subject to strict compliance with the enabling provisions of the Act and appropriately recorded resolutions of the Council. Where Councillors request consideration of such Council approval the affected Councillor must vacate the Council Chambers in the first instance whilst the Council discusses and decides upon the Councillor's application.

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Employees.	If in	any doubt	seek	le	gal opini	on	or, to be	absol	utely	sure,	make	a dec	laratio	n.
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<ol> <li>Particulars of declaration given to meeting</li> </ol>	
Particulars recorded in the minutes:	
Signed by Chief Executive Officer	
Signed by Chief Executive Officer	

#### Local Government Act 1995 - SECT 5.23

#### Meetings generally open to the public

- 5.23.(1) Subject to subsection (2), the following are to be open to members of the public:
  - (a) All Council meetings; and
  - (b) All meetings of any committee to which a local government power or duty has been delegated.
  - (2) If a meeting is being held by a Council or by a committee referred to in subsection (1) (b), the Council or committee may close to members of the public the meeting, or part of the meeting, if the meeting or the part of the meeting deals with any of the following --
  - (a) A matter affecting an employee or employees;
  - (b) The personal affairs of any person;
  - (c) A contract entered into, or which may be entered into, by the local government and which relates to a matter to be discussed at the meeting;
  - (d) Legal advice obtained, or which may be obtained, by the local government and which relates to a matter to be discussed at the meeting;
  - (e) A matter that if disclosed, would reveal;
    - (i) A trade secret;
    - (ii) Information that has a commercial value to a person; or
    - (iii) Information about the business, professional, commercial or financial affairs of a person, where the trade secret or information is held by, or is about, a person other than the local government;
  - (f) A matter that if disclosed, could be reasonably expected to;
    - (i) Impair the effectiveness of any lawful method or procedure for preventing, detecting, investigating or dealing with any contravention or possible contravention of the law;
    - (ii) Endanger the security of the local government's property; or
    - (iii) Prejudice the maintenance or enforcement of a lawful measure for protecting public safety;
  - (g) Information which is the subject of a direction given under section 23 (1a) of the Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1971; and
  - (h) Such other matters as may be prescribed.
  - (3) A decision to close a meeting or part of a meeting and the reason for the decision are to be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

#### SHIRE OF CUE

#### **REVOKING OR CHANGING DECISIONS MADE AT COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 (Regulation No.10)

If a previous Council decision is to be changed then support for a revocation motion must be given by an **Absolute Majority** of Councillors (that is at least 4 Councillors) if a previous attempt to rescind has occurred within the past three months or, if no previous attempt has been made the support must be given by at least **1/3rd** of all Councillors (that is at least 4 Councillors).

Regulation 10(1a) also requires that the support for revocation must be in writing and signed by the required number of Councillors, including the Councillor who intends to move the revocation motion.

Any revocation motion must be carried by the kind of vote that put the motion into place in the first instance (that is, if carried originally by an Absolute Majority or Special Majority vote then the revocation motion must also be carried by that same kind of vote).

If the original motion was carried by a Simple Majority vote then any revocation motion must be carried by an Absolute Majority vote.

To the Presiding Member,				
The following Councillors give notice of their s Council meeting to be held on revocation of Council resolution number at its meeting held on	of a motion fo			
Councillor's Names	Councillor's Signature			

## SHIRE OF CUE Special Council Meeting AGENDA

To be held in the Council Chambers, 73 Austin Street Cue on Tuesday 22 June 2019 commencing at 6:00pm

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#### 1. DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Presiding Member welcomed those present and read the following disclaimer:

No responsibility whatsoever is implied or accepted by the Shire of Cue for any act, omission or statement or intimation occurring during this Meeting.

It is strongly advised that persons do not act on what is heard at this Meeting and should only rely on written confirmation of council's decision, which will be provided within fourteen (14) days of this Meeting.

#### PRESENT:

Councillor Ross Pigdon, Shire President

Councillor Les Price, Deputy Shire President

Councillor Ian Dennis

Councillor Ron Hogben

Councillor Leonie Fitzpatrick

Councillor Fred Spindler

Councillor Liz Houghton

#### STAFF:

Mr Rob Madson, Chief Executive Officer

Mr Richard Towell, Deputy Chief Executive Officer

Mrs Janelle Duncan, Coordinator Community Development

#### **GALLERY:**

2.	APOLOGIES AND APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE
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ა.	PUBLIC QUESTION TIME
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#### 10. REPORTS

## 10.1 SETTING OF THE ANNUAL RATE IN THE DOLLAR FOR 2019-2020 FINANCIAL YEAR

APPLICANT: Shire of Cue

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST: Nil

AUTHOR: Richard Towell – Deputy Chief Executive Officer

DATE: 19 July 2019

#### Matters for Consideration:

To apply to the Minister for Local Government; Heritage; Culture and The Arts for approval to impose differential general rates that are more than twice the lowest differential rate being imposed.

#### Background:

At the ordinary meeting of Council held on 25 June 2019, Council approved the advertising of the proposed differential rates for the 2019-2020 financial year as required under section 6.33 of the Local Government Act 1995.

Submissions regarding the proposed differential rates and minimum payments close on 19 July 2019. The Shire of Cue has not received any submissions in respect to the proposed differential rates.

#### Comments:

The proposed rates model for the 2019-2020 budget has been prepared after the valuations for mining tenements for 2019-2020 have been incorporated into the rates modelling and the rate in the dollar reflects this being taken into account.

The rates proposed for the 2019-2020 financial year provides for a balanced budget with a 1.15% increase over rates raised last year. The increase is due mainly to an increase in the number of mining tenements and will provide an additional \$27,003 in revenue. This is following a nominal increase in rates revenue for the previous financial year.

If Council decides to modify the proposed rates or minimum payments for any reason, it is not necessary to readvertise the rates however the changes will be included in the notes to the adopted annual budget.

#### Statutory Environment:

Local Government Act 1995, Part 6 – Division 6 – Subdivision 2, Categories of Rates and Service Charges.

#### Policy Implications:

Department of Local Government and Communities, Rating Policy, Differential Rates (s.6.33), March 2016.

#### Financial Implications:

Council needs to ensure that rate revenue remains at a level where the Shire can continue to maintain its current level of services to ratepayers and the community. The proposed revenue raised from rates will make up the budget deficiency and provide Council with a balanced budget for the 2019-2020 financial year.

#### Strategic Implications:

Shire of Cue Strategic Community Plan 2017-2027.

#### Consultation:

Rob Madson - Chief Executive Officer

Travis Bate – RSM Australia Pty Ltd

#### Officer's Recommendation: Voting Requirement: Absolute Majority

That Council

1. Adopts the following rates for the 2019-2020 financial year.

Rate Category	Minimum Rates \$	Rate in \$ (cents)
GRV - RESIDENTIAL	451.00	0.1062
GRV - COMMERCIAL	451.00	0.1062
GRV - VACANT LAND	451.00	0.1062
GRV- M&T WORKFORCE FACILITIES	451.00	0.3000
UV - MINING TENEMENTS	451.00	0.3000
UV - PASTORAL	451.00	0.0843

2. Make application to the Minister for Local Government; Heritage; Culture and The Arts for approval to impose differential general rates that are more than twice the lowest differential rate being imposed.

Council Decision:	Voting requirement: Absolute Majority
MOVED:	SECONDED:
CARRIED:	

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	Presiding Member thanked those present for attending the meeting and ed the meeting closed at	l
То	e confirmed at Ordinary Meeting on the 20 August 2019	
Sig	ed:	

Presiding Member at the Meeting at which time the Minutes were confirmed