

CITY OF ARMADALE

MINUTES

OF SPECIAL COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, ADMINISTRATION CENTRE, 7 ORCHARD AVENUE, ARMADALE ON MONDAY, 20 JULY 2009 AT 5:30 PM

PRESENT:

Cr C J MacDonald	(Chair)
Cr R Butterfield	
Cr P J Hart	(Deputy for Cr L Scidone)
Cr J Knezevich	(Deputy for Cr K Lethbridge)
Cr W Mauger	
Cr J A Stewart CMC	(Deputy for Cr L Reynolds)
Cr R J Tizard	

Amended
Full
Council
27 July
2009

APOLOGIES:

Cr K Lethbridge JP	Leave of Absence
Cr L Scidone	
Cr L Reynolds AM JP	

OBSERVERS:

Cr L Reynolds AM JP	(6.10 pm to 6.15 pm)
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IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms Y Coyne	- Executive Director Community Services
Mr N Kegie	- Executive Manager Community Services
Mr B Watkins	- Manager Ranger & Emergency Services
Mr W Leigh	- Acting Manager Library & Heritage Services
Ms F Grieves	- Manager Leisure Services
Mrs Y Ward	- Minute Secretary

Public: Nil

DISCLAIMER

The Disclaimer for protecting Councillors and staff from liability of information and advice given at Committee meetings was not read, given no members of the public were present.

DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Nil

QUESTION TIME

Nil

BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

2009-10 DRAFT BUDGET - COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORATE

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FILE REF: FM/CS/4
DATE 14 July 2009
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RESPONSIBLE Executive Director
MANAGER Community Services

In Brief:

- This report presents the 2009-10 Draft Budget for the Community Services Directorate.
- The report recommends that the Directorate Draft Budget report, as presented, be referred (with or without modification) to the Special City Strategy Committee Meeting to be held later in the month for further consideration in the context of the Draft 2009-10 Annual Budget.

Tabled Items

Nil

Officer Interest Declaration

Nil

Strategic Implications

- Planning Ahead and Evaluating our Progress.
- Building our Community
 - Deliver a range of services to meet community needs.
- Developing our City
 - Develop processes to measure and allocate costs of Council services.
 - Developing improved financial management reports.

Legislation Implications

Nil

Council Policy/Local Law Implications

Nil

Budget/Financial Implications

In accordance with the agreed 2009-10 Budget Timetable, this report serves to present the 2009-10 Draft Budget for the Community Services Directorate, for Committee's consideration and recommendation purposes.

Consultation

This report brings together the work undertaken at prior Councillor workshops, presentations and various reports to Council. It provides Directorate input to the Special City Strategy Committee Meeting to be held later in the month to consider the City's Strategic and Forward Financial Plans as well as the 2009-2010 draft Budget.

BACKGROUND

This report:

- (i) brings together, at a Directorate level, the work undertaken at prior Councillor Workshops and the outcomes from the Special City Strategy Committee meeting held on 6 July 2009, relating to the setting of key elements/parameters thereby establishing the framework of the 2009-10 Draft Budget with which Directorates and Standing Committees can develop their detailed estimates and works programs; and
- (ii) provides the Community Services Committee with details of the Directorate Draft Budget and the opportunity to comment/modify the proposed Directorate Budget.

DETAILS OF PROPOSAL AND COMMENT

Committee is referred to the 2009-10 Draft Budget Report for the Community Services Directorate and supporting documentation relating to the responsibilities of this Committee. (**Refer to Attachment “A-1” – Summary of Attachments – buff page**).

The task before Committee is essentially to:

- consider and confirm the Directorate’s goals and initiatives to be achieved during 2009-10;
- consider and confirm the reasonableness of the revenue and expenditure estimates as relating to each of the services and programs proposed by the Directorate for the 2009-10 year.
- consider and confirm the Directorate’s staffing proposals; and
- consider/identify whether there are any other unfunded Directorate services/programs that Committee would recommend as a priority for inclusion in the draft Budget, should funding levels permit.

Councillor workshops have been held and the draft strategic context of the Budget has been considered. Initial assessment suggests it is clear that there is little scope for other additional activities/development beyond those proposed in the Financial Plan. 2009-10 now forms the base year for a future 15 Year Forward Financial Plan and as such the services, programs and activities contained within it are funded.

Committee Discussion

Committee considered at length the 2009-2010 Budget document, as presented. In response to questions from members relating to various aspects of the Budget, the Executive Director Community Services provided the following responses and advised that, where applicable, amendments/inclusions to the 2009-2010 Budget would be made accordingly.

- *Page 4 – the Spring Bush Walks was previously part of Council’s Events Program, however, with the restructure of the Community Services Directorate, the Spring Bush Walks have been identified as a recreational program and come under the area of Leisure Services.*

- *Page 15 – Grants in 2008 – 2009 – to be amended to reflect that the grant from the Department of Sport and Recreation of \$300,000 for the Youth Activity Area was unsuccessful. Minus the \$300,000, the total is \$1,479,169. The amount of grants and sponsorship realised in 2008 – 2009 was, therefore, an increase from the previous year by over \$355k.*
- *Page 16 - A link to be established between Champion Lakes and the Aboriginal Interpretive and Enterprise Centre at Champion Lakes.*
- *Pages 19 and 20 - The figures depicted in the tables are as a result of a rounding to the closest 1,000.*
- *Page 21 - Under the heading “Community Development”, the inclusion of the Minnowarra Festival (\$67k).*
- *Page 21 - Under the heading “Community Development”, the level of funding for the Seniors’ Access and Inclusion Program to be considered in future Budget considerations.*

Cr Reynolds joined the meeting at 6.10 pm

- *Page 31 – Fees and Charges [Armada Aquatic Centre - Admission Fees for Professional Coaching and Other Activities – text to be included to read: “Commercial ‘special event’ e.g. concert held by commercial group with the focus on making a profit 100% charge applies to hourly rate.”]*

C27/7/09 RECOMMEND

That Council approves and refers the 2009-10 Community Services Directorate Draft Budget report, as presented and attached at Attachment “A-1”, to the Special City Strategy Committee scheduled to be held late July 2009, for consideration and inclusion in Council’s 2009-10 Annual Budget.

**Moved Cr Tizard
MOTION CARRIED (7/0)**

MEETING CLOSED AT 6.15 PM

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

SUMMARY OF “A” ATTACHMENTS

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Attachment No.	Subject	Page
A-1	DRAFT BUDGET 2009/2010 – COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORATE	Separate Attachment

**2009-10 DRAFT BUDGET
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORATE**

[Refer to Separate Attachment "A-1"]