Extraordinary Council Meeting

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1. OPENING OF EXTRAORDINARY MEETING

MINUTES of the EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the CLARENCE VALLEY COUNCIL at Maclean, 13 March 2023 commencing at 9:00 AM and closing at 9.04am.

AFFIRMATION – Cr Karen Toms delivered the Affirmation.

We, the Councillors of the Clarence Valley declare that we will undertake the duties of the office of Councillor in the best interests of our community and faithfully and impartially, carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in us, to the best of our skill and judgement.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS OF THE LAND – Cr Bill Day delivered the Acknowledgement of the Traditional Custodians of the Land.

We acknowledge the Bundjalung, Gumbaynggirr and Yaegl people as the Traditional Owners of the land on which we all live and work. We honour the First Nations peoples culture & connection to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

ANNOUNCEMENT – The Mayor advised in relation to the Announcement.

Due to technical difficulties from Teams server the meeting will be unable to be recorded and live stream will be unavailable.

STATEMENT OF ETHICAL OBLIGATIONS

All Councillors are reminded under section 3.23 of the Code of Meeting Practice, of their oath or affirmation of office made under section 233A of the Act and their obligations under the council's code of conduct to disclose and appropriately manage conflicts of interest.

PRESENT

Cr Ian Tiley, Cr Bill Day, Cr Debrah Novak, Cr Karen Toms and Cr Steve Pickering

General Manager (Laura Black), Director Corporate & Governance (Alex Moar), Director Works & Civil (Jamie Fleeting) and Minutes Secretary (Lee Boon) were in attendance.

2. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Novak/Toms

That leave of absence be granted to Cr Smith and Cr Whaites for inability to attend.

That apologies be accepted from Cr Clancy and Cr Johnstone who were unable to attend because of video link technical issues.

Voting recorded as follows

For: Tiley, Day, Smith, Toms, Pickering

Against: Nil

CARRIED

3. DISCLOSURES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

5. MAYORAL MINUTES

Nil

7. REPORTS

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

Nil

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Nil

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CORPORATE & GOVERNANCE

ITEM 07.23.029 2024 ELECTION - APPOINTMENT OF NSW ELECTORAL COMMISSION

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Directorate Corporate & Community

Prepared by Governance Officer, Bligh Grant

Reviewed by Director - Corporate & Community, Alex Moar

Attachments A. OLG Circular 22-35-Attachment ⇒

B. LGE24 Council Estimate_Clarence Valley Council ⇒

SUMMARY

This report asks that Council appoints the NSW Electoral Commission (NSWEC) to administer the 2024 local government election with the model resolution as outlined in the NSW Office of Local Government (OLG) Circular 22-35 (Attachment A).

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

As guided by the NSW Office of Local Government (OLG) Circular 22-23 (Attachment A. p.1): The Clarence Valley Council ('the Council') resolves:

- 1. pursuant to s. 296(2) and (3) of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) ('the Act') that an election arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all elections of Council.
- 2. pursuant to s. 296(2) and (3) of the Act, as applied and modified by s. 18, that a council poll arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all council polls of Council.
- 3. pursuant to s. 296(2) and (3) of the Act, as applied and modified by s. 18, that, if required, a constitutional referendum arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all constitutional referenda of Council.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION - 07.23.029

Toms/Novak

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Voting recorded as follows

For: Tiley, Day, Novak, Toms, Pickering

Against: Nil

CARRIED

WORKS & CIVIL Nil

8. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

10. CLOSE OF ORDINARY MEETING

There being no further business the Extraordinary Meeting closed at 9.04am

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