



CITY OF HOBART

# **MINUTES**

## **Economic Development & Communications Committee Meeting**

**Open Portion**

**Thursday, 25 March 2021 at 4:30 pm**

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**Economic Development & Communications Committee Meeting (Open Portion)  
held on Thursday, 25 March 2021 at 4:30 pm.**

**This meeting of the Economic Development and Communications Committee is held in accordance with a Notice issued by the Premier on 3 April 2020 under section 18 of the *COVID-19 Disease Emergency (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2020*.**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Thomas (Chairman)  
Zucco  
Sexton  
Dutta  
Ewin

**NON-MEMBERS**

Lord Mayor Reynolds  
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet  
Briscoe  
Harvey  
Behrakis  
Sherlock  
Coats

**PRESENT:** Alderman D C Thomas (Chairman), Alderman Dr P T Sexton and Councillor M Dutta.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillor J Ewin.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE:** Nil.

**1. CO-OPTION OF A COMMITTEE MEMBER IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY**

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No Elected Members were co-opted to the Committee.

**2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

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SEXTON

The minutes of the Open Portion of the Economic Development & Communications Committee meeting held on Thursday, 26 November 2020, and the Special Economic Development & Communications Committee meeting held on [Thursday, 17 December 2020](#) be confirmed as an accurate record.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Thomas  
Sexton  
Dutta

The minutes were signed.

**3. CONSIDERATION OF SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS**

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Ref: Part 2, Regulation 8(6) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*.

**Recommendation**

That the Committee resolve to deal with any supplementary items not appearing on the agenda, as reported by the General Manager.

No supplementary items were received.

**4. INDICATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

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Ref: Part 2, Regulation 8(7) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*.

Members of the Committee are requested to indicate where they may have any pecuniary or conflicts of interest in respect to any matter appearing on the agenda, or any supplementary item to the agenda, which the Committee has resolved to deal with.

No interest was indicated.

**5. TRANSFER OF AGENDA ITEMS**

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Regulation 15 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*.

A committee may close a part of a meeting to the public where a matter to be discussed falls within 15(2) of the above regulations.

In the event that the committee transfer an item to the closed portion, the reasons for doing so should be stated.

Are there any items which should be transferred from this agenda to the closed portion of the agenda, or from the closed to the open portion of the agenda?

No items were transferred.

## 6. REPORTS

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### 6.1 International Relations - Update File Ref: F21/11675; 16/78

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SEXTON

That the recommendation contained in the report of the Manager Economic Development Engagement and Strategy and the Deputy General Manager of 18 March 2021, be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Thomas  
Sexton  
Dutta

#### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:

- That:
1. Investigations into potential new relationships with cities Jiri in Nepal, and Kochi in India to be placed on hold throughout 2021 and reviewed in February 2022.
  2. Council officers will continue to consult with the Tasmanian and Australian governments regarding opportunities for a new relationship with Incheon in South Korea and report back to the Council as appropriate.
  3. Operational activities relating to existing international relationships to be recommenced online. Officers to undertake local community-based engagement throughout 2021, with minimal to no additional budgetary requirements other than officer time.
  4. The waste education program being considered for Balibó in Timor Leste, to be placed on hold throughout 2021 and reviewed in February 2022.
  5. The Minister for Foreign Affairs be advised of the Council's existing relationships with foreign entities by 10 June 2021.

**Delegation: Council**

## **7. COMMITTEE ACTION STATUS REPORT**

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### **7.1 Committee Actions - Status Report** **File Ref: F21/12979; 16/120**

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DUTTA

That the information be received and noted.

MOTION CARRIED

#### VOTING RECORD

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NOES

Thomas  
Sexton  
Dutta

**Delegation: Committee**

## **8. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

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Section 29 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*.  
File Ref: 13-1-10

No questions were asked at the meeting.

## **9. CLOSED PORTION OF THE MEETING**

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SEXTON

That the Committee resolve by majority that the meeting be closed to the public pursuant to regulation 15(1) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015* because the items included on the closed agenda contain the following matters:

- Confirm the minutes of the Closed portion of the meeting
- Questions without notice in the Closed portion

The following items were discussed: -

- Item No. 1 Minutes of the last meeting of the Closed Portion of the Committee Meeting
- Item No. 2 Consideration of supplementary items to the agenda
- Item No. 3 Indications of pecuniary and conflicts of interest
- Item No. 4 Questions Without Notice

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Thomas  
Sexton  
Dutta

**Delegation: Committee**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 4.35 pm.

TAKEN AS READ AND SIGNED AS  
A CORRECT RECORD THIS  
29<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2021.

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**CHAIRMAN**