



CITY OF HOBART

# **MINUTES**

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

**Open Portion**

**Thursday, 24 June 2021 at 4:30 pm**

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**Economic Development & Communications Committee Meeting (Open Portion) held on Thursday, 24 June 2021 at 4:30 pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall.**

**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*.**

The title Chief Executive Officer is a term of reference for the General Manager as appointed by Council pursuant s.61 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (Tas).

**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),  
Councillor J Ewin and the Deputy Lord Mayor  
Councillor H Burnet.

The Deputy Lord Mayor was an  
ex-officio member of the  
Committee for the purpose of  
attaining a quorum.

**APOLOGIES:** Aldermen M Zucco, Dr P T Sexton  
and Councillor M Dutta.

**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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DEPUTY LORD MAYOR BURNET

The minutes of the Open Portion of the Economic Development & Communications Committee meeting held on [Thursday, 29 April 2021](#), be confirmed as an accurate record.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

	AYES	NOES
Thomas		
Ewin		
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet		

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 Chief Executive Officer.

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 Economic Development Issues Paper Presentation File Ref: F21/55744

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#### PROCEDURAL MOTION

EWIN

That the item be deferred to a workshop to be conducted at the appropriate time.

PROCEDURAL MOTION CARRIED

#### VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Thomas

Ewin

Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:**

That the item be deferred to a workshop to be conducted at the appropriate time.

**Delegation: Committee**

### 6.2 COVID-19 Economic Recovery Plan - July 2021 Update File Ref: F21/54446; 17/298

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EWIN

That the recommendation contained in the report of the Senior Advisor Research and Policy and the Director Community Life of 18 June 2021, be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

#### VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Thomas

Ewin

Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:**

- That:
1. The COVID-19 Economic Response and Recovery Framework and Action Plan 2020-22 – July update, marked as Attachment A to item 6.2 of the Open Economic Development and Communications Committee of 24 June 2021 be endorsed as the second and final update to COVID-19 economic recovery planning.
  2. The Council note the shift in focus from economic recovery to economic development as of this update.
  3. The updated framework and action plan marked as Attachment A to item 6.2 of the Open Economic Development and Communications Committee of 24 June 2021 be provided to the Economic Recovery Business Consultative Group for information and discussion.
  4. Officers continue to engage with the Economic Recovery Business Consultative Group on the future of Hobart's economy, seeking their input on the new economic development strategy as it is progressed.

**Delegation: Council**

**6.3 Grants Program - Business Grants Stream 2021-22**  
**File Ref: F21/48772; 20/73**

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EWIN

That the recommendation contained in the report of the Marketing and Business Engagement Officer, the Community Development Officer - Grants and the Director Community Life of 18 June 2021, be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Thomas  
Ewin  
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:**

- That: 1. The Council endorse the strategic framework of the Business Grant stream 2021-22, marked as Attachment A to item 6.3 of the Open Economic Development and Communications Committee agenda of 24 June 2021 to assist businesses:
- in running projects or programs beyond their business as usual, to create a community benefit,
  - to be audience and/or consumer-focused,
  - to build a new loyal customer base.
2. The Council endorse the first iteration of the new Business Grant stream as the Local Business for a Better Community Grant.
3. The Chief Executive Officer be delegated the authority to develop the Terms and Conditions including guidelines of the Business Grant stream 2021-22 in accordance with the City of Hobart Grants Policy.

**Delegation: Council**

**6.4 Economic Development and Communications Committee - Review of COVID-19 Format - Outcome of Consultation**  
**File Ref: F21/56208**

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EWIN

That the recommendation contained in the memorandum of the Chief Executive Officer of 17 June 2021, be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Thomas  
Ewin  
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:**

That the Economic Development and Communications Committee resume physical meetings in the Council Chamber at Town Hall in accordance with the COVID-19 Safe Plan for the operation of Council and Council Committee meetings.

**Delegation: Committee**

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

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### **7.1 Committee Actions - Status Report** **File Ref: F21/56999; 16/120**

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DEPUTY LORD MAYOR BURNET

That the information be received and noted.

MOTION CARRIED

#### VOTING RECORD

AYES

NOES

Thomas

Ewin

Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet

**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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DEPUTY LORD MAYOR BURNET

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: -

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| 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		
Ewin		
Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet		

There being no further business the Open portion of the meeting closed at 4.51 pm.

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

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**CHAIRMAN**