

AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

**Minutes of the Audit and Governance Committee Meeting
held Wednesday 18 June 2014 at 7.00pm
in the Unley Civic Centre
181 Unley Road Unley**

PRESENT

Mr John Rawson (Presiding Member)
Mr Shaun Matters
Councillor Rob Sangster
Councillor Michael Saies

OFFICERS PRESENT

Mr S Faulkner, General Manager People and Governance
Mr M Carey, Manager Finance and ICT
Ms R Box, Executive Assistant to GM People and Governance

APOLOGIES

Mr Ed Parker

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil

Councillor Saies offered a personal explanation and apologised to the Chair for any confusion in regards to his attendance at the meeting of 18 June 2014. He also queried the process of authorisation for the calling the current meeting.

REPORT TO COUNCIL

23 June 2014

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MOVED S Matters
SECONDED R Sangster

That the minutes of the Audit and Governance Committee meeting held on Tuesday, 21 May 2014, as printed and circulated, be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

ITEM 94

ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN AND BUDGET 2014/15

MOVED M Saies

SECONDED R Sangster

That:

1. The report be received.
2. The Audit and Governance Committee provide further comment to Council on the Council's 2014-15 Annual Business Plan and Budget.

SUSPENSION OF MEETING PROCEDURES

The presiding member advised Members that he thought the meeting would benefit from a short term suspension of meeting procedures, for up to 30 minutes, to discuss the impact of the Federal Government's proposed 2014-15 Budget on the Council's draft 2014-15 Annual Business Plan and Budget and the feedback from community consultation. This was agreed with full approval of the meeting

Meeting procedures were suspended at 7:12pm

EXTENSION OF MEETING PROCEDURES

The Presiding Member suggested a further extension to the suspension of meeting procedures for 20 minutes with the full approval of the meeting.

Meeting procedures were suspended at 7:42pm

FURTHER EXTENSION OF MEETING PROCEDURES

The Presiding Member suggested a further extension to the suspension of meeting procedures for 10 minutes with the full approval of the meeting.

Meeting procedures were suspended at 8:02pm

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Meeting procedures were suspended at 8:12pm

Meeting procedures resumed at 8.22pm

AMENDMENT

S Matters MOVED as an AMENDMENT, SECONDED J Rawson

That:

1. The report be received.
2. The Audit and Governance Committee provide further comment to Council on the Council's 2014-15 Annual Business Plan and Budget.
3. The Audit and Governance Committee expresses the view that a 4.95% rate increase is high in the current economic environment.
4. In view of the above the Audit and Governance Committee recommends
 - a. Favourable contract variations (in excess of \$10k) e.g. Waste Management Contract, which is currently budgeted at \$800k increase, is applied to debt reduction and reported quarterly to the Audit and Governance Committee.
 - b. Council consider the sale of surplus property assets including non community land.
 - c. Council undertakes service level reviews to ensure services currently provided are in line with the Strategic Plan.

The AMENDMENT was put and **CARRIED**

The AMENDED MOTION was put and **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

CLOSURE

The Presiding Member closed the meeting at 8.25pm

NEXT MEETING

29 July 2014

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PRESIDING MEMBER

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DATE