



SHIRE OF MURWEH

MORVEN - CHARLEVILLE - AUGATHELLA

Special Council Meeting

MINUTES

Council Chambers, 95-101 Alfred St, Charleville

Tuesday, 30 July 2024

9:00AM

Murweh Shire Council
2024-2025
Budget



**MINUTES OF MURWEH SHIRE COUNCIL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 95-101 ALFRED ST, CHARLEVILLE
ON TUESDAY, 30 JULY 2024 AT 9:02AM**

PRESENT: Cr S Radnedge (Mayor), Cr R Eckel, Cr P Alexander, Cr T Sommerfield, Cr M Ebsworth

IN ATTENDANCE: C Alexander (Contract Accountant), B Scott (Chief Executive Officer), J Kronk (Director of Corporate Services)

1 OPENING PRAYER

Father Peter Doohan delivered the prayer for the guidance of Council

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apologies

Nil

Leave of Absence

Nil

Applications for Leave of Absence

3 DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

4 UPDATE/CHANGE TO COUNCILLOR REGISTER OF INTEREST

Nil

CONDOLENCE MOTION VALE PAST COUNCILLOR, GEOFFERY DOUGLAS TURNER

Murweh Shire Council passes on its sincere condolences on the news of the sad loss of past Councillor, Geoffery Douglas Turner. We recognise Councillor Turners significant service to the communities of the Murweh Shire during his term in office.

MAYOR'S BUDGET ADDRESS

Murweh Shire Council Mayor, Councillor Shaun Radnedge presented the 2024-25 Budget Address to the Meeting.

5 CORPORATE & REGULATORY

5.1 OPERATIONAL PLAN 2024 - 2025

RESOLUTION 158/24

Moved: Cr R Eckel

Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

1. That Council That Council as per section 104 of *the Local Government Act 2009* and *Local Government Regulation 2012* section 174 adopts the Operational Plan for 2024-2025.

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| 5.2 REVENUE POLICY LG REG. 2012 S193 |
| <p>RESOLUTION 159/24</p> <p>Moved: Cr M Ebsworth Seconded: Cr P Alexander</p> <p>That Council in accordance with Sections 169 (2) and 193 of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i> adopts the Revenue Policy for the year 2024-25 as tabled.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">.CARRIED</p> |

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| 5.3 REVENUE STATEMENT 2024-2025 LG REG. 2012 S169 |
| <p>RESOLUTION 160/24</p> <p>Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield</p> <p>That Council in accordance with Sections 169 (2) and 172 of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i>, adopts the Revenue Statement for the year 2024-25 as tabled.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> |

| 5.4 GENERAL RATES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| <p>RESOLUTION 161/24</p> <p>Moved: Cr T Sommerfield Seconded: Cr R Eckel</p> <p>That the Council set the following differential rating categories, minimum general rates and cents in dollar for the financial year 2024-25 as follows:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">Category</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Description</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Cent in \$</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Minimum per annum</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">1</td><td>Charleville Residential</td><td style="text-align: center;">8.226504</td><td style="text-align: center;">\$746.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">2</td><td>Augathella Residential</td><td style="text-align: center;">8.226504</td><td style="text-align: center;">\$746.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">3</td><td>Augathella Non residential</td><td style="text-align: center;">8.226504</td><td style="text-align: center;">\$746.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">4</td><td>Morven Residential</td><td style="text-align: center;">2.268448</td><td style="text-align: center;">\$746.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">5</td><td>Morven Non residential</td><td style="text-align: center;">2.268448</td><td style="text-align: center;">\$746.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">6</td><td>Rural <700 Hectares</td><td style="text-align: center;">1.08836</td><td style="text-align: center;">\$1,229.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">7</td><td>Rural 700 - 5,000 Hectares</td><td style="text-align: center;">0.478296</td><td style="text-align: center;">\$1,866.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">8</td><td>Rural 5,001 - 10,000 Hectares</td><td style="text-align: center;">0.478296</td><td style="text-align: center;">\$4,867.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">9</td><td>Rural over 10,000 Hectares</td><td style="text-align: center;">0.478296</td><td style="text-align: center;">\$4,867.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">11</td><td>Charleville Multi Dwellings</td><td style="text-align: center;">8.226504</td><td style="text-align: center;">\$852.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">12</td><td>Charleville Commercial</td><td style="text-align: center;">6.805344</td><td style="text-align: center;">\$746.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">13</td><td>Charleville Tourist Parks, Short Accommodation and Clubs</td><td style="text-align: center;">6.805344</td><td style="text-align: center;">\$746.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">14</td><td>Charleville Industry</td><td style="text-align: center;">6.805344</td><td style="text-align: center;">\$746.00</td></tr> </tbody> </table> | Category | Description | Cent in \$ | Minimum per annum | 1 | Charleville Residential | 8.226504 | \$746.00 | 2 | Augathella Residential | 8.226504 | \$746.00 | 3 | Augathella Non residential | 8.226504 | \$746.00 | 4 | Morven Residential | 2.268448 | \$746.00 | 5 | Morven Non residential | 2.268448 | \$746.00 | 6 | Rural <700 Hectares | 1.08836 | \$1,229.00 | 7 | Rural 700 - 5,000 Hectares | 0.478296 | \$1,866.00 | 8 | Rural 5,001 - 10,000 Hectares | 0.478296 | \$4,867.00 | 9 | Rural over 10,000 Hectares | 0.478296 | \$4,867.00 | 11 | Charleville Multi Dwellings | 8.226504 | \$852.00 | 12 | Charleville Commercial | 6.805344 | \$746.00 | 13 | Charleville Tourist Parks, Short Accommodation and Clubs | 6.805344 | \$746.00 | 14 | Charleville Industry | 6.805344 | \$746.00 |
| Category | Description | Cent in \$ | Minimum per annum | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Charleville Residential | 8.226504 | \$746.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | Augathella Residential | 8.226504 | \$746.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | Augathella Non residential | 8.226504 | \$746.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | Morven Residential | 2.268448 | \$746.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | Morven Non residential | 2.268448 | \$746.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 | Rural <700 Hectares | 1.08836 | \$1,229.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7 | Rural 700 - 5,000 Hectares | 0.478296 | \$1,866.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | Rural 5,001 - 10,000 Hectares | 0.478296 | \$4,867.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9 | Rural over 10,000 Hectares | 0.478296 | \$4,867.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11 | Charleville Multi Dwellings | 8.226504 | \$852.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 12 | Charleville Commercial | 6.805344 | \$746.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 13 | Charleville Tourist Parks, Short Accommodation and Clubs | 6.805344 | \$746.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 14 | Charleville Industry | 6.805344 | \$746.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| 15 | Transformer | 2.016872 | \$1,289.00 |
| 16 | Outside Urban - Other Land <700 Hectares | 1.134224 | \$1,257.00 |
| 17 | Outside Urban - Large Industry | 10.473944 | \$5,013.00 |
| 20 | Carbon Farms | 0.487968 | \$7,520.00 |
| 21 | Work Camps >15 persons | 1.8148 | \$12,421.00 |
| 22 | Renewable Energy 1-10 MW | 2.015624 | \$4,227.00 |
| 23 | Renewable Energy >10 MW | 2.015624 | \$8,452.00 |

CARRIED

5.5 CHARLEVILLE SEWERAGE AND CLEANSING CHARGES

RESOLUTION 162/24
 Moved: Cr R Eckel
 Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That the following sewerage and cleansing/garbage charges be set for the 2024-25 financial year:

Sewerage

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| Sewerage Base Charge (First Pedestal) | \$ 437.00 |
| Sewerage Reduced Rate (60%) (Sewerage– Short Stay – Additional Pedestal) | \$ 262.00 |
| Sewerage Concession Rate (50%) (Sewerage – Additional Pedestal) | \$ 219.00 |

Charge per annum

Cleansing/Garbage

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| Charleville – Garbage (1st Bin) | \$ 374.00 |
| Charleville – Garbage (Additional Bins) | \$ 395.00 |
| Waste Levy (no bin collection service) | \$ 104.00 |

Charge per service per annum

CARRIED

5.6 AUGATHELLA CLEANSING CHARGES

RESOLUTION 163/24
 Moved: Cr M Ebsworth
 Seconded: Cr P Alexander

That the cleansing/garbage charge per service per annum be set for the 2024-25 financial year.

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| Augathella – Garbage (1st Bin) | \$ 270.00 |
| Augathella – Garbage (Additional Bins) | \$ 291.00 |
| Waste Levy – (no bin collection service) | \$ 104.00 |

CARRIED

| 5.7 CED CHARGES & SEPTIC CHARGES | |
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| RESOLUTION 164/24 | |
| Moved: Cr P Alexander | |
| Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield | |
| That the following CED and septic charges be set for the 2024-25 financial year: | |
| C.E.D - Building not specified | \$ 213.00 |
| C.E.D. - Aged Persons Complex | \$ 2,132.00 |
| C.E.D. - Business Premises | \$ 520.00 |
| C.E.D. - Church | \$ 182.00 |
| C.E.D. - Dwelling | \$ 451.00 |
| C.E.D. - Hall | \$ 182.00 |
| C.E.D. - Hospital | \$ 1,492.00 |
| C.E.D. - Hotel/Motel | \$ 2,555.00 |
| C.E.D. - Lodge | \$ 182.00 |
| C.E.D. - Public Park | \$ 451.00 |
| C.E.D. - School | \$ 2,132.00 |
| Septic | \$ 437.00 |
| CARRIED | |

| 5.8 MORVEN CLEANSING CHARGES | |
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| RESOLUTION 165/24 | |
| Moved: Cr T Sommerfield | |
| Seconded: Cr R Eckel | |
| That a cleansing/garbage charge per service per annum be set for the 2024-25 financial year. | |
| Morven – Garbage | \$ 270.00 |
| Morven – Garbage (Additional Bins) | \$ 291.00 |
| Waste Levy (no bin collection service) | \$ 104.00 |
| CARRIED | |

| 5.9 CHARLEVILLE, AUGATHELLA & MORVEN WATER SUPPLY CHARGES | | | | |
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| RESOLUTION 166/24 | | | | |
| Moved: Cr R Eckel | | | | |
| Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth | | | | |
| That the charge for the supply of water to properties within the Charleville/Augathella/Morven Water Supply area, and surrounding properties approved by Council, be set for the 2024-25 financial year, based on the following: | | | | |
| Category | Description | Access Charge (per meter) | KI Charge – Tier 1 | KI Charge – Tier 2 |
| Vacant | Vacant Land. | \$286.00 | \$0.20 (≤1,300kl) | \$0.67 (>1,300kl) |
| Residential 1 | 2 or less single residential dwellings units on one meter. | \$572.00 | \$0.20 (≤1,300kl) | \$0.67 (>1,300kl) |
| Residential 2 | 3 or more single residential dwelling on one meter. | \$1,464.00 | \$0.67 | |
| Commercial 1 | Rateable, non-residential land. | \$572.00 | \$0.67 | |
| Commercial 2 | Non-Rateable, non-residential with 40 mm or less diameter meter. | \$2,288.00 | \$0.67 (≤1,200kl) | \$1.25 (>1,200kl) |
| Commercial 3 | Caravan Parks, Hotels, Motels licensed club. | \$892.00 | \$0.67 | |
| Commercial 4 | Non-Rateable, non-residential 1st Meter greater than 40 mm diameter (Additional meters ≤40mm in diameter to be charged at commercial 2). | \$14,300.00 | \$0.67 (≤1,200kl) | \$1.25 (>1,200kl) |
| Commercial 5 | Sporting fields and schools, 1st Meter greater than 40 mm diameter. (Additional meters ≤40mm in diameter to be charged at commercial 2). | \$14,300.00 | \$0.67 | |
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| 5.10 DISCOUNT ON RATES LG REG. 2012 S130 |
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| RESOLUTION 167/24 |
| Moved: Cr M Ebsworth |
| Seconded: Cr P Alexander |
| That Council allows, ten per cent (10%), by way of a discount on rates and charges levied by Council, (excluding interest, fire levy and excess water charges) for the 2024-25 financial year when all rates and charges are paid by the due date. |
| CARRIED |

5.11 INTEREST ON RATES LG REG. 2012 S133**RESOLUTION 168/24**

Moved: Cr P Alexander
 Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield

That in accordance with Section 133 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council resolves that;

- (1) Overdue rates will bear interest at the rate of 12.35 % per annum from the date that the rate becomes overdue; and
- (2) That the amount of interest will be calculated on daily rests, applying the interest as compound interest

.CARRIED**5.12 PENSIONER REMISSION LG REG. 2012 S119****RESOLUTION 169/24**

Moved: Cr T Sommerfield
 Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That in accordance with Section 119 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council resolves to provide assistance to qualifying Age Pensioners, having a Commonwealth Government Concession Card, be granted a remission of up to \$400 per annum of general rates levied for the 2024-25 financial year, under the same criteria as the State Government Pensioner Remission Scheme

.CARRIED**5.13 RATING EXEMPTION AND REBATES 2024-25****RESOLUTION 170/24**

Moved: Cr R Eckel
 Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

In terms of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council may:

- Rebate all or part of the rates or charges;

Owing to the significant community involvement of the following organisations, Council has resolved to rebate the payment of general rates for the financial year 2024-2025: -

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| 1353/21000 | Retirement Village, Charleville, (Burke St, Charleville) |
| 1645/50000 | Multifunctional Child Care Centre, (2 Baker St, Charleville) |
| 1867/00000 | 86-88 Brunel Street, Morven. Morven Progress Association |
| 1907/00000 | 90-92 Albert Street, Morven. 2 Aged Units |
| 1946/00000 | 4 Cemetery Road, Morven. Morven Progress Association |
| 1948/00000 | 4 Newton Street, Morven. Morven Progress Association |
| 1952/00000- | 6 Eurella Street, Morven. Morven Progress Association |
| 1967/00000 | Trustees Morven Racecourse |
| 2043/00000 | Trustees Augathella Racecourse |
| 2048/50000 | Augathella Pony Club Paddock |

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| 2168/52100 | Warrego Pony Club, Charleville, (Pony Club Paddock 323 ha) |
| 2171/10000 | Charleville Field Archers Assoc Inc., (Bollon Road, Charleville) |

In terms of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council may exempt from rating land used for religious, charitable, educational or public purposes. The following organisations have been given exemption under this provision until further notice:-

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| 0017/00000 | Anglican Church, Augathella, (59-61 Main St, Augathella) |
| 0084/00000 | Masonic Lodge Augathella, (55-57 Cavanagh St, Augathella) |
| 0107/00000 | Catholic Church, Augathella, (96-98 Cavanagh St, Augathella) |
| 0303/00000 | Anglican Church, Charleville, (Church/Rectory, Alfred St, Charleville) |
| 0324/00000 | Historic House, Charleville, (87 Alfred St, Charleville) |
| 0327/00000 | Charleville & Dist. Senior Citizens, (107-109 Alfred St, Charleville) |
| 0515/00000 | Q.C.W.A., Charleville, (73 Galatea St, Charleville) |
| 0604/00000 | Presbyterian Church Charleville, (74-76 Church/Hall Galatea St, Charleville) |
| 0605/00000 | Masonic Lodge, Charleville, (70-72 Galatea Street, Charleville) |
| 0612/00000 | Presbyterian Church Charleville, (Residence 56 Galatea St, Charleville) |
| 0661/00000 | Saint Vincent de Paul, (63 Edward St, Charleville) |
| 0805/00000 | Catholic Church, Charleville, (Presbytery Wills/Watson St, Charleville) |
| 0868/00000 | Sisters of Mercy, Charleville, (Dwelling 92 Watson St, Charleville) |
| 0869/11000 | Girl Guides Assoc, Charleville, (80 Watson St, Charleville) |
| 0872/00000 | Catholic Church, Charleville, (School Oval 68 Watson St, Charleville) |
| 1252/00000 | Presbyterian Church, Charleville, (Dwelling 4 Warrego St, Charleville) |
| 1288/00000 | Boy Scouts Assoc, Charleville, (44 Sturt St, Charleville) |
| 1425/30000 | Lions Club of Charleville, (47 Hilda St, Charleville) |
| 1592/00000 | Jehovah Witnesses, Bentwell Street, Charleville |
| 1729/8000 | Save the Bilby Fund Ltd Tourist Attraction |
| 1756/20000 | Christian Outreach Centre Charleville, (Sturt St, Charleville) |
| 1923/00000 | Morven Historical Museum, Morven, (53 Albert St, Morven) |
| 1925/00000 | Morven Historical Museum, Morven, (57 Albert St, Morven) |
| 1935/00000 | Anglican Church, Morven, (Church, 33 Eureka St, Morven) |
| 2166/00000 | Royal Flying Doctor Service, (Land used for radio communications) |
| 2303/20000 | Scout Association of Australia, (Mangalore) |

CARRIED

5.14 CHANGE IN RATES AND CHARGES LG REG. 2012 S169**RESOLUTION 171/24**

Moved: Cr M Ebsworth
Seconded: Cr P Alexander

That in accordance with Section 169 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council adopt the total value of the change, expressed as a percentage, in the rates and utility charges levied for the financial year compared with the rates and utility charges levied in the previous budget. For the financial year 2024-25 the change is 4%.

CARRIED**5.15 DEBT POLICY LG REG 2012 S192****RESOLUTION 172/24**

Moved: Cr P Alexander
Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield

That Council in accordance with Section 192 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council adopts the Debt Policy for the year 2024-25 as tabled.

CARRIED**5.16 INVESTMENT POLICY 2024-2025 LG REG 2012 S191****RESOLUTION 173/24**

Moved: Cr T Sommerfield
Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That Council in accordance with the *Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangements Act 1982* and Section 191 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council adopts the Investment Policy for the year 2024-25 as tabled.

CARRIED**5.17 FINANCIAL HARDSHIP POLICY LG REG. 2012 S120****RESOLUTION 174/24**

Moved: Cr R Eckel
Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council as per Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 120, adopts the financial hardship policy 2024-25 as tabled.

CARRIED

5.18 FEES AND CHARGES 2024-2025**RESOLUTION 175/24**

Moved: Cr P Alexander
Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield

That Council in accordance with Sections 97, 98, 262 (3) and 280 (2) (d) of the *Local Government Act 2009* adopt the Schedule of Regulatory Fees & Commercial Charges 2024-25 as tabled.

CARRIED

5.19 ESTIMATED FINANCIAL POSITION FOR 30 JUNE 2024**RESOLUTION 176/24**

Moved: Cr R Eckel
Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That pursuant to Section 205 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Statement of Estimated Financial Position for the previous financial year to 30 June 2024 be received and its contents noted.

CARRIED

5.20 BUDGET FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2024-25 TO 2026-27**RESOLUTION 177/24**

Moved: Cr M Ebsworth
Seconded: Cr P Alexander

That Council in accordance with Section 169 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* adopt the Budget Financial Statements for the 2024-25 financial year and the following two financial years as tabled.

CARRIED

5.21 10 YEAR FINANCIAL FORECAST LG REG. 2012 S169**RESOLUTION 178/24**

Moved: Cr P Alexander
Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield

That Council in accordance with Section 169 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* Council adopt the 2024-2034 long term financial forecast as tabled

CARRIED

5.22 FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY RATIOS LG REG. 2012 S169**RESOLUTION 179/24**

Moved: Cr T Sommerfield

Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That Council in accordance with Section 169 (4), (5) and (6) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* Council adopt the measures of financial sustainability as tabled.

CARRIED

5.23 CODE OF COMPETITIVE CONDUCT**RESOLUTION 180/24**

Moved: Cr R Eckel

Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council in accordance with Sections 39 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and Section 47 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council adopts to not apply the Code of Competitive Conduct for the following business activities for 2024-25;

- Building Certification – operating expenses of \$ 216,000 is below the threshold of \$ 340,000.
- Roads activity – operating expenses of \$ 2,433,879 is above the threshold of \$340,000.

However, as the Contract is awarded to Council based on quotation, Council will not apply the code of competitive conduct at this time.

CARRIED

5.24 PROCUREMENT POLICY 2024-2025**RESOLUTION 181/24**

Moved: Cr M Ebsworth

Seconded: Cr P Alexander

That Council as per Section 198 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* adopts the Procurement Policy effective 1 January 2025 as tabled.

CARRIED

6 CLOSURE**COUNCILLOR TESTIMONIAL**

On behalf of Mayor & Councillors, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Peter Alexander thanked the CEO and staff for the inclusion and transparency of the 2024-2025 Budget process.

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 9:57 AM.