

MINUTES

Greater Shepparton City Council

COUNCIL MEETING

5:30pm, Tuesday 20 October 2020

VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM

COUNCILLORS

Cr Seema Abdullah (Mayor)
Cr Dinny Adem (Deputy Mayor)
Cr Bruce Giovanetti
Cr Chris Hazelman OAM
Cr Kim O'Keeffe
Cr Les Oroszvary
Cr Dennis Patterson
Cr Fern Summer
Cr Shelley Sutton

VISION

GREATER SHEPPARTON, GREATER FUTURE

A thriving economy in the foodbowl of Victoria with excellent lifestyles, innovative agriculture a diverse community and abundant opportunities

Values

Values reflect what we feel is important. Organisations may have core values that reflect what is important in the organisation. These values may be guiding principles of behaviour for all members in the organisation.

Respect first, always

We are attentive, listen to others and consider all points of view in our decision making.

Take ownership

We take pride in honouring our promises and exceeding expectations, and are transparent with and accountable for our actions.

Courageously lead

We lead with integrity, and stand up and stand by what is in the best interests of the Greater Shepparton community.

Working together

We work collaboratively to create higher quality outcomes that are more efficient, thoughtful, effective and responsive. We cannot accomplish all that we need to do without working together.

Continually innovate

We are open to new ideas and creatively seek solutions that encourage us to do our best for our community.

Start the celebration

As ambassadors for our people and place, we proudly celebrate the strengths and achievements of Council and the Greater Shepparton community.

**M I N U T E S
FOR THE
COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON
TUESDAY 20 OCTOBER 2020 AT 5:30PM**

**CHAIR
CR SEEMA ABDULLAH
MAYOR**

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Risk Level Matrix Legend

Note: A number of reports in this agenda include a section on “risk management implications”. The following table shows the legend to the codes used in the reports.

Likelihood	Consequences				
	Negligible (1)	Minor (2)	Moderate (3)	Major (4)	Extreme (5)
Almost Certain (5) Would be expected to occur in most circumstances (daily/weekly)	LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH	EXTREME	EXTREME
Likely (4) Could probably occur in most circumstances (i.e. Monthly)	LOW	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	HIGH	EXTREME
Possible (3) Reasonable probability that it could occur (i.e. over 12 months)	LOW	LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH
Unlikely (2) It is not expected to occur (i.e. 2-5 years)	LOW	LOW	LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH
Rare (1) May occur only in exceptional circumstances (i.e. within 10 years)	LOW	LOW	LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH

Extreme Intolerable – Immediate action is required to mitigate this risk to an acceptable level. Event/Project/Activity is not to proceed without authorisation

High Intolerable – Attention is needed to treat risk.

Medium Variable – May be willing to accept the risk in conjunction with monitoring and controls

Low Tolerable – Managed by routine procedures

PRESENT:
Cr Seema Abdullah (Mayor)
Cr Dinny Adem (Deputy Mayor)
Cr Chris Hazelman OAM
Cr Kim O’Keeffe
Cr Les Oroszvary
Cr Dennis Patterson
Cr Fern Summer
Cr Shelley Sutton

Officers:	Geraldine Christou	Acting Chief Executive Officer
	Darryl Hancock	Manager Corporate Governance
	Boboleia Kom	Official Minute Taker
	Rebecca Good	Deputy Minute Taker

1 Caretaker Statement

This Council Meeting Minutes has been certified by the Acting Chief Executive Officer, who has determined that the decisions contained within are not prohibited decisions, as defined in either section 69(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020* or Council’s Election Period Policy.

2 Privacy Notice

This public meeting is being streamed live via our Facebook page and made available for public access on our website along with the official Minutes of this meeting.

3 Acknowledgement

“We, Greater Shepparton City Council, acknowledge the Yorta Yorta Peoples of the land which now comprises Greater Shepparton, we pay our respect to their tribal elders, we celebrate their continuing culture and we acknowledge the memory of their ancestors.”

4 Apologies

Moved by Cr Adem
Seconded by Cr Patterson

That the apology from Cr Giovanetti be noted and a leave of absence be granted.

CARRIED UNOPPOSED

5 Governance Principles

Council considers that the decisions contained in these minutes gives effect to the overarching governance principles stated in Section 9 (2) of the *Local Government Act 2020*. These principles are as follows:

1. Council decisions are to be made and actions taken in accordance with the relevant law;
2. priority is to be given to achieving the best outcomes for the municipal community, including future generations;
3. the municipal community is to be engaged in strategic planning and strategic decision making;
4. innovation and continuous improvement is to be pursued;
5. collaboration with other Councils and Governments and statutory bodies is to be sought;
6. the ongoing financial viability of the Council is to be ensured;
7. regional, state and national plans and policies are to be taken into account in strategic planning and decision making;
8. the transparency of Council decisions, actions and information is to be ensured.

6 Declarations of Conflict of Interest

In accordance with sections 77A, 77B, 78 and 79 of the Local Government Act 1989 Councillors are required to disclose a “conflict of interest” in a decision if they would receive, or could reasonably be perceived as receiving a direct or indirect financial or non-financial benefit or detriment (other than as a voter, resident or ratepayer) from the decision.

Disclosure must occur immediately before the matter is considered or discussed.

7 Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meetings

**Moved by Cr O’Keeffe
Seconded by Cr Adem**

That the minutes of the 15 September 2020 Council Meeting as circulated, be confirmed.

CARRIED UNOPPOSED

8 Recognition of Former Councillor John Gray

**Moved by Cr Hazelman OAM
Seconded by Cr Patterson**

That the Council note the passing of John Gray, and recognise his years of service to Council and the Greater Shepparton Community.

CARRIED UNOPPOSED

9 Community Directorate

Nil Received.

10 Sustainable Development Directorate

Nil Received.

11 Corporate Services Directorate

11.1 2020/2021 Christmas Arrangements

Moved Cr O'Keeffe
Seconded by Cr Sutton

That the Council resolve to close Council offices at 3.00pm on Thursday 24 December 2020 and reopen at 8.15am, Monday 4 January 2021.

CARRIED UNOPPOSED

11.2 Rescheduling of the November 2020 Council Meeting

**Moved by Cr Adem
Seconded by Cr Oroszvary**

That the Council:

- 1. reschedule the 17 November 2020 Council Meeting to Monday 23 November 2020 at 3.00pm;**
- 2. note that the meeting will be held at the Eastbank Centre, 70 Welsford Street, Shepparton;**
- 3. inform members of the public that the public gallery will remain closed due to COVID-19 restrictions, however a live stream and recording of the meeting will be made publicly available.**

CARRIED UNOPPOSED

11.3 September 2020 Monthly Financial Report

**Moved by Cr Sutton
Seconded by Cr O'Keeffe**

That the Council receive and note the September 2020 Monthly Financial Report.

CARRIED UNOPPOSED

11.4 Audit and Risk Management Committee Meeting Minutes

**Moved by Cr O’Keeffe
Seconded by Cr Adem**

That the Council receive and note the minutes for the Audit and Risk Management Committee meetings:

- **11 September 2019**
- **13 November 2019**
- **5 February 2020**
- **6 May 2020.**

CARRIED UNOPPOSED

11.5 2019-2020 Annual Report

**Moved by Cr Adem
Seconded by Cr Sutton**

That the Council:

- 1. endorse the Greater Shepparton City Council Annual Report 2019-2020 for the year ended 30 June 2020, including the Financial Statements and Performance Statement, as certified by the Auditor-General;**
- 2. note that the attachment is declared confidential until 24 October 2020 to ensure compliance with Council's Election Period Policy.**

CARRIED UNOPPOSED

12 Infrastructure Directorate

12.1 Variations 2 & 3 - Contract 1981 Design and Installation of Solar Photovoltaic Systems for Shepparton Saleyards and Aquamoves

Moved by Cr Adem
Seconded by Cr Summer

That the Council:

1. approve payment of Variation 2 under Contract 1981 – Supply and construction of solar photovoltaic systems for the Shepparton Saleyards and Aquamoves with a value of \$61,453.26 including GST;
2. approve payment of Variation 3 under Contract 1981 – Supply and construction of solar photovoltaic systems for the Shepparton Saleyards and Aquamoves with a value of \$35,110.35 including GST.

CARRIED UNOPPOSED

13 Confidential Management Reports

13.1 Designation of Confidentiality of Information - Report Attachments

Moved by Cr Adem
Seconded by Cr Sutton

In accordance with section 77(2)(b) of the *Local Government Act 1989* the Council designates as confidential the following attachment, previously designated by the Chief Executive Officer in writing as confidential under section 77(2)(c) of the Act to:

- item 11.5: 2019-2020 Annual Report - This document contains information which may be considered to contain election material, which is a relevant ground applying under section 89(2)(h) of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

CARRIED 7/1

14 Documents for Signing and Sealing

Nil Received.

15 Councillor Reports

15.1 Councillor Activities

15.1 Councillor Activities - September 2020

**Moved by Cr O’Keeffe
Seconded by Cr Patterson**

That the summary of the Councillors’ community interaction and briefing program be received and record of Assemblies of Councillors be noted.

CARRIED UNOPPOSED

15.2 Council Committee Reports

Nil Received.

15.3 Notice of Motion, Amendment or Rescission

Nil Received.

16 Urgent Business not Included on the Agenda

Nil Received.

17 Close of Meeting

Meeting closed at 6:14pm