



**COUNCIL MEETING OF
THE HUME CITY COUNCIL**

MONDAY, 27 MAY 2024

7.00PM

TOWN HALL BROADMEADOWS

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HUME CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the
COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HUME CITY COUNCIL
held on Monday, 27 May 2024
at 7.03pm
at the Town Hall Broadmeadows

Attendees:	a: Council	Cr Naim Kurt Cr Karen Sherry Cr Jarrod Bell Cr Joseph Haweil Cr Chris Hollow Cr Jack Medcraft Cr Sam Misho Cr Carly Moore Cr Jim Overend	Mayor Deputy Mayor
	b: Officers	Ms Sheena Frost Ms Rachel Dapiran Ms Kristen Cherry Mr Adam McSwain Mr Hector Gaston Ms Fiona Shanks Mr Fadi Srour Mr Peter Faull Ms Jane Mikaele	Chief Executive Officer Director City Planning and Places Acting Director City Services & Living Director Infrastructure and Assets Director Customer & Strategy Chief People Officer Chief Financial Officer Coordinator Governance & Council Business Governance Officer

Proceedings to be Recorded

The Mayor reminded Councillors and members of the Gallery that an audio and video recording of the Council meeting will be made and published to Council's website within 2 working days of the meeting.

Gallery Behaviour

The Mayor advised that they will invite members of the gallery to speak, for up to three minutes either in support of or against an officer's recommendation.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

Hume City Council would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on Country for which the members and Elders of the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people and their forebears have been custodians for many thousands of years. The Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung, which includes the Gunung-Willam-Balluk clan, are the Traditional Custodians of this land. Hume City Council would also like to pay its respects to their Elders, past and present, and to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who may be here today.

MINUTES

2. PRAYER

The Mayor read the following:

Hume City is strengthened by its religious diversity. As part of the recognition of the importance of spiritual life to our municipality Hume City Council has invited the Hume Interfaith Network to lead tonight's prayer. Tonight's prayer will be led by Sister Veiagi Taleni, from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Sister Veiagi Taleni read the prayer.

3. APOLOGIES

Cr Jodi Jackson and Cr Trevor Dance were apologies for this meeting.

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Councillors' attention is drawn to the provisions of the *Local Government Act 2020* and Council's Governance Rules in relation to the disclosure of conflicts of interests. Councillors are required to disclose any conflict of interest immediately before consideration or discussion of the relevant item. Councillors are then required to leave the Chamber during discussion and not vote on the relevant item.

NIL

5. CONGRATULATIONS AND CONDOLENCES

CGM60 CONGRATULATES MICHAEL PREWER ON THE PUBLICATION OF HIS FIRST NOVEL

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Jack Medcraft

That council writes to acknowledge and congratulate Sunbury based author Michael Prewer on the publication of his first novel.

CARRIED

6. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Council Meetings held 29 April 2024 and 13 May 2024, including Confidential Minutes.

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Carly Moore

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meetings held 29 April 2024 and 13 May 2024 including Confidential Minutes, be confirmed.

CARRIED

7. ASSEMBLIES OF COUNCIL

NIL

8. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**PQ1164 PUBLIC QUESTION - JANINE D'SOUZA**

When will the reforms to the Local Government Act 2020 to elevate governance and integrity standards of councillors be introduced in Hume and what can be done where constituents have serious concerns about councillor misconduct until such reforms and accountability is available?

RESPONSE: CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

On Tuesday 30 April 2024, the Local Government Amendment (Governance and Integrity) Bill 2024 was introduced to the Victorian Parliament that includes reforms to strengthen council leadership, capability and councillor conduct, improve early intervention and effective dispute resolution and strengthen oversight mechanisms.

The State Government will advise the local government sector how the reforms are to be implemented. This advice is not yet known.

PQ1165 PUBLIC QUESTION – KEVIN BALAAM

People with disability, parents pushing prams, and others, may require a level walking surface. The recent construction of a fast-food restaurant in Roxburgh Park resulted in a decrease in accessibility by the creation of a driveway exit with a high profile kerb across the only footpath that provided direct access between Somerton Road paths and the main shopping centre.

How is it that applications for planning or building permits could be approved that result in reduced accessibility?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR CITY PLANNING AND PLACES

Access and accessibility are considerations of any planning permit applications. These matters are carefully reviewed by Council's Planners and the Traffic Engineers to ensure compliance with relevant Australian Standards and the requirements of the Hume Planning Scheme.

Two recent planning permits have been issued at 180-220 Somerton Road, Roxburgh Park for food and drinks premises. As part of these approvals, a footpath is required to be reinstated within the private property of the shopping centre along the western property boundary (adjoining Reservoir Road), with a pedestrian crossing to be provided at the accessway to the fast food premises. This footpath will connect up to the wider network of footpaths within the shopping centre.

The permits require works to be completed within five years of the date of the permit.

PQ1166 PUBLIC QUESTION – KEVIN BALAAM

The State Rugby League and Community Centre at Seabrook Reserve, Broadmeadows, was recently officially opened in what is widely-acknowledged as a successful event. I noticed that private motor vehicles were using a section of the Meadowlink shared use path to access and park near the new rooms.

Has the facility and parkland seriously been designed to require motor vehicles to be used on the Meadowlink shared use trail?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR CITY PLANNING AND PLACES

Vehicle access and egress to the leisure and recreation facility at Seabrook Reserve is designed to be via formal road access to the surrounding road network. Car parking is available on the northeast aspect of the site, adjoining pitch 1. Vehicle access is not allowed over the shared user trail and Council installed bollards at entry points to prevent vehicle access to the linear path. Council is aware there has recently been illegal access and parking of vehicles due to a gate being left open via the shared use path near Dallas Drive. Council will ensure this gate is secured and will continue to monitor the situation, including enforcement by local laws officers if deemed necessary. Further measures are being put in place to deter this behaviour, including discussions with the sporting clubs to reinforce messaging to members and visitors, and a review of signage at the venue.

PQ1167 PUBLIC QUESTION – ALAN WHELAN

Why are businesses in Campbellfield, truck City drive, Foden Ave, Halley cres just to name a few allowed to use nature strip's roads and or streets to either store unregistered and or smashed vehicles and sometimes wreck vehicles on the street?
Also, if a person has a disability and wanting to use the post office in Foden drv they cannot park close as these businesses think they have the right (and because the council haven't done nothing about it in at least 5 yrs) and it looks like the have the council's blessing to use the nature strip and surrounding streets as a personal business parking area. As a ratepayer I expect the council to stop this activity as it makes the suburbs in the Hume city council look like a third world country

RESPONSE: ACTING DIRECTOR CITY SERVICES AND LIVING

Council performs regular road enforcement activities across the municipality, including within the Campbellfield industrial estate. Businesses located within the Campbellfield industrial area are not permitted to store unregistered or derelict vehicles on the nature strip, or in any way that contravenes the Victorian Road Rules and Regulations. The locations of concern that you outlined in your question have been referred to Council's City Laws team for attention and response. Any additional concerns or queries can be reported to Council via phone, email, mail or using the Snap Send Solve App.

PQ1168 PUBLIC QUESTION – FERNANDO LONGO

BACKGROUND:

This question is from my Daughter, Chloe and I - we have both completed the Hume City Council Enviro Champs program

Recently, the City of Hume ran the Hume Food Forum, which gave community an opportunity to discuss the issues and come up with solutions. It showed to me the City of Hume is keen to provide much needed assistance in the area of Food Security.

One key fact that came out of the forum was that about 13,000 people in Hume suffered food insecurity – an alarming statistic. Consider also that many of our fellow residents are also facing Cost of Living pressures – it is very clear that there are serious challenges for many fellow residents in Hume.

It is important to recognise that providing food security support to people in Hume is fundamental to their wellbeing. And there is very wide variety of assistance that could be provided. A wonderful example of the support that can be provided can be seen at the Whittlesea Community Connections creation called the Whittlesea Food Collective (which we visited last week – organised by Maria Calipari). Another great example is CERES (a long-running community project in Brunswick). - where both my daughter and I have attended courses including Permaculture and Urban Farming.

Out of our involvement in the Enviro Champs program (and with the continued support of Jo Burton) Chloe, and I are developing an idea / project to look at how we can support community especially in the area of Food Security. The project started off to develop something like CERES – but must be informed by community needs - so could be a convergence of CERES and Whittlesea Food Collective.

How committed is the City of Hume to ensuring Food Security for the people living in its region?

RESPONSE: ACTING DIRECTOR CITY SERVICES AND LIVING

Hume City Council has an ongoing commitment to ensuring food security for local residents.

Supporting healthy food systems is a key priority of the Municipal Health and Wellbeing Plan. In addition to this, Council's draft 2024/2025 budget includes measures to respond to cost-of-living pressures, with specific initiatives aimed at improving access to healthy food. The Hume Food Forum, which was held in March 2024, is an example of Council's commitment. This forum helped to further our understanding of local issues and identified actionable solutions to improve food security.

PQ1169 PUBLIC QUESTION – FERNANDO LONGO

What support / guidance can the City of Hume provide to assist in the development of solutions towards Food Security?

RESPONSE: ACTING DIRECTOR CITY SERVICES AND LIVING

Council supports several programs aimed at improving access to healthy food in Hume. These include community gardens, the NEST program which provides education and cooking skills, and breakfast club programs that operate in schools, helping children to start their day with a nutritious meal.

Furthermore, a summary paper from the Hume Food Forum is being finalised. This will be used to inform the Year 3 actions for the Municipal Health and Wellbeing Plan.

Council's, Community Health and Wellbeing team will continue to undertake initiatives and provide support to improve food security in Hume.

PQ1170 PUBLIC QUESTION - MICHAEL RUSSO

Can council please advise why 3 large gum trees were removed at Bampton Mews Craigeiburn in approximately 2020-2021?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE AND ASSETS

Council received a petition in 2020 for the removal of trees in Yarcombe Crescent and Bampton Mews. Council engaged an independent arborist to undertake an assessment of the trees in these streets to identify any trees that posed a risk of failure. The independent report identified 12 x trees in Yarcombe Crescent and 3 x trees in Bampton Mews that required removal as they were showing signs of deterioration.

These trees were removed in 2022 and replacement plantings undertaken at these locations and any other vacant sites in these streets.

9. OFFICERS' REPORTS

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9.1	Proposed Budget 2024/25 and Council Plan 2021-2025 (2024/25 Update)	5

Moved Cr Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Sam Misho

- 2.1 That Council adopts for the purpose of public exhibition:
 - 2.1.1 The Proposed Budget 2024/25 (Budget) as a draft of the budget prepared for the purpose of Section 94 of the Act; and
 - 2.1.2 The proposed Council Plan 2021-2025 (2024/25 Update) (revised Council Plan).
- 2.2 That having considered the details of the 2024/25 recurrent and capital budgets appended to this report, which includes:
 - 2.2.1 Section 1 – Link to the Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework
 - 2.2.2 Section 2 – Services and service performance indicators
 - 2.2.3 Section 3 – Financial statements
 - 2.2.4 Section 4 – Notes to the financial statements
 - 2.2.5 Section 5 – Financial performance indicators
 - 2.2.6 Section 6 – Schedule of fees and charges
 - 2.2.7 That the proposed recurrent and capital budgets for 2024/25 be the Proposed Budget 2024/25 (Budget) prepared for the purposes of Section 94 of the Act.
- 2.3 That, in relation to the capital works program, the expenditure provided for in each line item is the forecast or projected amount that Council will expend. On occasions the actual amount expended could be greater or less than the expenditure provided for. As each line item is part of a class of expenditure being forecast or projected, Council intends that the expenditure authorised through the adoption of the Budget will be the totality of expenditure by class (regardless of whether, in respect of any particular project, the actual amount expended exceeds or is less than the expenditure that is shown).
- 2.4 That in accordance with Section 158 of the 1989 Act, Council proposes to declare a General Rate of 0.23285 cents in the dollar of the Capital Improved Value within the municipal district for all rateable land for the rating period commencing 1 July 2024 and ending 30 June 2025.
- 2.5 That Council notes that the General Rate of 0.23285 cents in the dollar of the Capital Improved Value as noted at 2.4 above is subject to confirmation from the Valuer General of Victoria of the valuations within Hume and the issuance of a Certificate 7A in accordance with the *Valuation of Land Act 1960*. Should valuations change, there will be a requirement to amend the General Rate in the dollar. However, this will have no impact on total rates revenue raised.

- 2.6 That Council proposes that all general rates for rateable land be determined by multiplying the Capital Improved Value of the rateable land by the relevant General Rate indicated at 2.4 above.
- 2.7 That for the 2024/25 financial year, the Primary Producer Rate Rebate will continue to be offered to landholders outside the urban growth zone which will be calculated at 30% of the General Rate. The eligibility criteria for the Primary Producer Rate Rebate is similar to that under the Agricultural Land Use Rebate however there is a requirement on landholders to prove to Council that they are trying to operate an agricultural business from their agricultural activity.
- 2.8 That Council grants an additional pensioner rate rebate of \$40.00 per rateable property to those applicants who qualify for a rate rebate within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004* over and above that provided by the State Government. This rebate is to be granted on the same terms and conditions that provides for the State Government funded rebate without separate application in accordance with Section 171 of the 1989 Act.
- 2.9 That for the rating period commencing 1 July 2024 and ending 30 June 2025 and in accordance with Section 162 of the 1989 Act Council also proposes to declare:
- 2.9.1 A Public Waste Service Rate of 0.033679 cents in the dollar which will apply to commercial and industrial properties, excluding non-rateable properties subject to confirmation of property valuations from the Valuer General of Victoria.
- (a) That Council notes that the Service Rate in 2.9.1 is subject to confirmation from the Valuer General of Victoria of the valuations within Hume and the issuance of a Certificate 7A in accordance with the *Valuation of Land Act 1960*. Should valuations change, there will be a requirement to amend the Waste Service Rate in the dollar. However, this will have no impact on total Waste Service Rate revenue raised.
- (b) The amount payable will be determined by multiplying the CIV by the Waste Service Rate of 0.033679 cents in the dollar as indicated at 2.9.1 above.
- 2.9.2 A Public Waste Service Charge of \$222.99 for residential properties.
- 2.9.3 A Public Waste Service charge of \$172.99 for pensioners residential properties which reflects a fee that is \$50 less than the standard residential Public Waste Service Charge.
- 2.9.4 The classification of residential properties will be based on the zoning and current use in accordance with State Government Valuation Best Practice Specification Guidelines which contain the Australian Valuation Property Classification Codes (AVPCC) established by the Valuer General. Therefore, non-residential will be all other properties not defined as residential.
- 2.9.5 A Kerbside Waste Service Charge of \$401.63 to residential and non-residential properties, where Council is able to provide a kerbside waste service. This includes the cost

of the new food and garden organics (FOGO) service commencing 1 July 2024. Properties on a land size of up to 400 square metres will receive a 140 litre FOGO bin and properties on a land size above 400 square metres will receive a 240 litre bin. Residents who receive a 140 litre FOGO bin are able to request a 240 litre bin at no additional cost. Additional charges will apply for additional bins.

2.9.6 Non-rateable properties who elect to receive a Kerbside Waste Service will continue to pay for the service in accordance with the fees outlined in the Budget.

2.10 New food and garden waste service

2.10.1 That Council notes that every household in Hume will be provided with a food and garden organics (FOGO) bin from 1 July 2024. This new service is in line with the State Government's Recycling Victoria Policy which requires all Victorian households to have a food and garden service by 2030.

2.10.2 That Council notes, from 1 July 2024, the food and garden bin will be included in Council's standard kerbside waste service, along with garbage and recycling bins.

2.11 That Council notes, the Victorian Government Minister's Good Practice Guidelines for Service Rates and Charges (the Guidelines) issued on 22 December 2023 (effective 1 March 2024), have not been complied with in the 2024/25 Budget as they are not mandatory. However, Council may consider a pathway for compliance in future budgets.

2.12 That in accordance with Section 167 (1) of the 1989 Act, the general rates and service charges be payable in four instalments. The gazetted instalment dates as fixed by the Minister are as follows: 30 September 2024, 30 November 2024, 28 February 2025 and 31 May 2025.

2.13 That in accordance with Section 167 (2A) of the 1989 Act, Council will not be offering the lump sum payment option.

2.14 That the setting of the maximum interest rate for unpaid rates and charges will be in accordance with the Local Government Legislation Amendment (Rating and Other Matters) Act 2022. The Minister for Local Government must fix a maximum rate of interest that councils may charge on unpaid rates and charges. The legislation took effect on 20 June 2023. Until a new interest rate is set by the Minister for Local Government, the current interest rate as set by the Attorney-General via the *Penalty Interest Rate Act 1983* continues to apply under s.172(2) of the 1989 Act. The current interest rate is set at 10 per cent and will apply for the 2024/25 financial year, unless it is changed by the Minister.

2.15 That in accordance with Section 162 of the 1989 Act, Council proposes to declare annual service rates and charges for the disposal of refuse per collection services for rateable properties for the period commencing 1 July 2024 and ending 30 June 2025; where each occupied serviced rateable property is entitled to one 140L garbage service and one 240L recycle service. Additional charges will apply as follows, including for non rateable properties:

WASTE SERVICE OPTION	Per Service
Garbage Charges	
Garbage (upgrade from 140L to 240L)	\$124.30
Garbage (additional service 240L)	\$287.10
Garbage (additional service 140L)	\$165.80
Garbage (additional 80L)	\$95.50
Garbage discount (80L first service)	\$22.10 discount
Recycling Charges	
Recycle (additional 140L or 240L)	\$75.50
Recycle (upgrade from 140L to 360L)	\$36.80
Recycle (additional 360L)	\$113.10
Organics Charges	
Organics 140L additional service	\$92.00
Organics 240L additional service	\$117.10
Kerbside waste management charge	
Charge for all rateable properties	\$401.63
Public waste management rates and charges	
	\$000
General rates	\$ 175,997
Less primary producer rate rebate	(\$ 149)
Less Council pension rebate	(\$ 554)
Total general rates	\$ 175,294
Service charge – recycling and garbage	\$ 490
Special rates and charges	\$ 5
Kerbside waste service charge	\$ 35,949
Service charge – organics	\$ 35
Public waste service rates and charges	\$ 25,455
Projected supplementary rate income	\$ 3,000
Rates interest	\$ 400
Total rates and service charges	\$ 240,628
Rates in lieu - Commonwealth properties	<u>\$ 17,474</u>
	<u>\$ 258,102</u>
Residential	
Residential – pension concession rate (\$50 discount)	\$172.99
Non-residential rate (cents/\$CIV)*	0.03368

*subject to Valuer General certification

2.16 That Council proposes that an amount of \$240.63m be declared as the amount Council intends to raise from the general rates and charges for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 as follows:

2.17 That Council notes that in accordance with Section 158 of the 1989 Act and Regulation 8 of the Regulations, detailed information concerning General Rates and Charges is appended to this report.

2.18 Community ideas (Attachment 3)

2.18.1 That Council includes the following community ideas totalling \$1.37 million received during the community consultation period:

- (a) An upgrade of the Synthetic surface at John Ilhan Memorial Reserve, Broadmeadows in 2025/26 - \$450,000**
- (b) Highgate Oval 2 - scoreboard replacement, Craigieburn - \$35,000**
- (c) Upgrade to the Broadmeadows Community Hub for the safety of staff and the community - \$71,000**
- (d) Sunbury Start Hill Shelter (BMX and Skate Park), Sunbury - \$25,000**
- (e) Upgrade Heysen Drive Park, Sunbury - \$35,000**
- (f) Shading and seating at John McMahon reserve, Sunbury - \$65,000**
- (g) Sunbury Neighbourhood House - Upgrade / Renovation - \$90,000**
- (h) Soccer goals in parks, City Wide - \$80,000**
- (i) Bike playground, Jacana - \$500,000**
- (j) Community Noticeboard, Broadmeadows - \$5,000**
- (k) Pizzi Flies Again, City Wide - \$9,500**

2.19 That Council writes to all submitters with responses and outcomes of their ideas/submissions.

2.20 That in accordance with Section 93 and 96(1)(b) of the Act, consultation will be undertaken in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Policy.

2.20.1 The Budget and Council Plan will be made available for download via the Participate page on Council's website, and physical copies will be available for inspection at Council's Customer Service Centres, and Libraries.

2.20.2 The Budget and Council Plan will be promoted for community feedback via Council's websites, and social media. Submissions and feedback will be received from 28 May 2024 until 11 June 2024. Submissions received during this period will be referred to the 2025/26 Budget.

2.20.3 Feedback on the Budget and Council Plan can be provided via email, by speaking to a Council Officer or via a written submission. Further information on how to provide feedback will be published online via the Participate page on Council's website.

2.20.4 Members of the public can make statements in support or against officer recommendations contained in the final Budget and Council Plan report at the Council meeting on 24 June 2024. Any member of the public who wishes to make a statement in support or against an officer recommendation can submit their public comment online

prior to the meeting, or they can register in person before the meeting to make a public comment. Provided that public comments submitted online comply with the Council’s Governance Rules, the comments will be read out at the Council meeting.

2.20.5 Council will consider the Budget and Council Plan for adoption on Monday 24 June 2024, at a meeting of Council to be held at 7:00pm at the Town Hall Broadmeadows.

Cr Naim Kurt vacated the chair at 7:57pm
Cr Karen Sherry took over the chair at 7:57pm

Cr Karen Sherry vacated the chair the time being 8:01pm
Cr Naim Kurt resumed in the chair the time being 8:01pm

A division was requested: The result of the division was as follows:

For	Against
Cr Jarrod Bell	Cr Jim Overend
Cr Joseph Haweil	
Cr Chris Hollow	
Cr Naim Kurt	
Cr Jack Medcraft	
Cr Sam Misho	
Cr Carly Moore	
Cr Karen Sherry	

CARRIED

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9.2	Council Plan 2021-2025 (2023/24 Actions) Third Quarter Progress Report	189

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Sam Misho

The Council notes:

2.1 the progress of actions and indicators of the Council Plan 2021-2025 (2023/24 Actions) [refer to Attachments One and Two]

CARRIED

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9.3	2024 Arts Grants - Allocation to Grant Categories	237

Moved Cr Sam Misho, **Seconded** Cr Jim Overend

That Council:

2.1 endorses the distribution of \$72,958 to the 2024 Arts Grants Program categories in the following manner:

(a) \$37,859 (total) for 3 applications for Creative Project Grants (Attachment 1 - Table 1).

(b) \$35,099 (total) across 18 applications for Creative Activity Grants (Attachment 1 - Table 2).

and notes that dispersal of funds will be subject to satisfactory acquittals and resolution of any outstanding eligibility requirements.

CARRIED

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9.4	Event Grants 2024/2025 - Round 1 Recommendations	245

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Jim Overend

Councillor Sam Misho left the meeting during item 9.4 Event Grants 2024/2025 – Round 1 Recommendations, the time being 8:17pm.

Councillor Sam Misho returned to the meeting 9.4 Event Grants 2024/2025 – Round 1 Recommendations, the time being 8:19pm.

That Council

2.1 Endorse the distribution of \$257,900 of cash funds and in-kind support to 22 applicants in Round One of the 2024/2025 Event Grant Program (Attachment 1), subject to satisfactory acquittals and the resolution of any outstanding eligibility requirements.

Moved Cr Joseph Haweil, **Seconded** Cr Sam Misho

Amendment

That item 2.2 be added.

2.2 That Council provides application specific feedback to ineligible and unsuccessful applicants.

CARRIED

Moved Cr Carly Moore, **Seconded** Cr Joseph Haweil

Amendment

That item 2.3 be added.

2.3 Officers to consider the eligibility of commercial and for-profit event organisers in the review of 2024-2025 program, and update the guidelines for future programs, noting that the revised guidelines will come to Council in late 2024.

CARRIED

The substantive motion was then put.

That Council

2.1 Endorse the distribution of \$257,900 of cash funds and in-kind support to 22 applicants in Round One of the 2024/2025 Event Grant Program (Attachment 1), subject to

satisfactory acquittals and the resolution of any outstanding eligibility requirements.

- 2.2 That Council provides applications specific feedback to ineligible and unsuccessful applicants.
- 2.3 Officers to consider the eligibility of commercial and for-profit event organisers in the review of 2024-2025 program, and update the guidelines for future programs, noting that the revised guidelines will come to Council in late 2024.

CARRIED

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9.5	Report to Council on Audit and Risk Committee Business Undertaken - 1 July to 31 December 2023	255

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Jarrod Bell

Councillor Joseph Haweil left the meeting during item 9.5 Report to Council on Audit and Risk Committee Business Undertaken - 1 July to 31 December 2023, the time being 8:27pm and did not vote.

That Council:

- 2.1 **Notes the report from the Audit and Risk Committee on the activities undertaken by the Committee for the period 1 July 2023 – 31 December 2023.**
- 2.2 **Notes that a Briefing will be provided on Council's approach to risk management.**

CARRIED

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9.6	Quarterly Finance Report - March 2024	265

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Sam Misho

Councillor Joseph Haweil returned to the meeting during item 9.6 Quarterly Finance Report - March 2024, the time being 8:29pm.

That the quarterly finance report for the nine months ended 31 March 2024 be received and noted.

CARRIED

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9.7	Quarterly Capital Works Report - March 2024	297

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Carly Moore

2.1 That the report be received and noted.

CARRIED

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9.8	Correspondence received from or sent to Government Ministers or Members of Parliament - April 2024	329

Moved Cr Joseph Haweil, **Seconded** Cr Sam Misho

That Council notes this report on correspondence received from or sent to Government Ministers or Members of Parliament.

Councillor Karen Sherry left the meeting during item 9.8 Correspondence received from or sent to Government Ministers or Members of Parliament - April 2024, the time being 8:45pm.

Councillor Karen Sherry returned to the meeting during item 9.8 Correspondence received from or sent to Government Ministers or Members of Parliament - April 2024, the time being 8:48pm.

CARRIED

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

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10.1	NOM24/24 - Cr Carly Moore	431

Moved Cr Carly Moore, **Seconded** Cr Karen Sherry

Councillor Jack Medcraft left the meeting during Item 10.1 NOM24/24 – Cr Carly Moore, the time being 8:54pm.

Councillor Jack Medcraft returned to the meeting during Item 10.1 NOM24/24 – Cr Carly Moore, the time being 9:02pm.

Councillor Jack Medcraft left the meeting during Item 10.1 NOM24/24 – Cr Carly Moore, the time being 9:04pm.

Councillor Chris Hollow left the meeting during Item 10.1 NOM24/24 – Cr Carly Moore, the time being 9:04pm.

Councillor Chris Hollow returned to the meeting during Item 10.1 NOM24/24 – Cr Carly Moore, the time being 9:05pm.

Councillor Jack Medcraft returned to the meeting during Item 10.1 NOM24/24 – Cr Carly Moore, the time being 9:05pm.

THAT Section 72 of Hume City Councils Governance Rules is replaced with:

1.1 72. Chair May Remove

- 1.2 72.1 The Chair may order and cause the removal of any person whose words or actions disrupts any meeting or who fails to comply with a direction given under sub-Rule 71.2. It is intended that this power be exercisable by the Chair, without the need for any Council resolution. The Chair may choose to order the removal of a person whose actions immediately threaten the stability of the meeting or wrongly threatens the Chair's authority in chairing the meeting.
- 1.3 72.2 The Chair may, pursuant to section 19(1)(b) of the Act, direct a Councillor to leave a Council meeting if the behavior of the Councillor is preventing Council from conducting its business.

CARRIED

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10.2	NOM24/25 - Cr Jack Medcraft	433

Moved Cr Jack Medcraft, **Seconded** Cr Jarrod Bell

- 1.1 That Council receive a report to a future Briefing on:
- 1.1.1 Opportunities to streamline the process for graffiti removal on private land through a review of Councils current Graffiti Management Policy and the Graffiti Prevention Act 2007
- 1.1.2 Investigates appointing a Council Officer or Contractor as an authorised officer under the Graffiti Prevention Act 2007 to assist with graffiti removal on private land.

CARRIED

11. ITEMS TO BE TABLED

11.1 PJL308 - Macedon Avenue Dallas Parking Sign Dispute

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Carly Moore

That the petition be received, circulated to Councillors, and the first named signatory of the petition joint letter be advised that the matter has been referred to the Manager Assets.

CARRIED

12. URGENT BUSINESS

NIL

13. DELEGATES REPORTS

Cr Karen Sherry reported on her attendance at the Planning Institute of Australia's Congress in Melbourne.

Councillor Jack Medcraft left the meeting during Item 13 Delegates Report, the time being 9:23pm.

14. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

The Meeting may be closed to members of the public to consider confidential items.

Moved Cr Sam Misho, **Seconded** Cr Jarrod Bell

Councillor Jack Medcraft returned to the meeting during Item 14 Confidential Items, the time being 9:25pm.

THAT Council close the meeting to the public pursuant to section 66(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020* to consider the following items:

14.1 Contract No. 30 23 3490 - Development of Derby Street Reserve, Stage 2

Item 14.1 is confidential in accordance with Section 3(1)(g(ii)) of the Local Government Act 2020 because it is private commercial information, being information provided by a business, commercial or financial undertaking that if released, would unreasonably expose the business, commercial or financial undertaking to disadvantage.

The specified grounds apply because this report contains contractual matters.

CARRIED

The meeting was closed to the public at 9.25pm.

The meeting was not reopened to the public.

15. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 9:29pm.