



SPECIAL MEETING

AGENDA

22 MAY 2018

Your attendance is required at a Special meeting of Council to be held in the Council Chambers, 232 Bolsover Street, Rockhampton on 22 May 2018 commencing at 11.00am for transaction of the enclosed business.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "R Chessman".

ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
18 May 2018

Next Meeting Date: 29.05.18

Please note:

In accordance with the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, please be advised that all discussion held during the meeting is recorded for the purpose of verifying the minutes. This will include any discussion involving a Councillor, staff member or a member of the public.

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1 OPENING

2 PRESENT

Members Present:

The Mayor, Councillor M F Strelow (Chairperson)

Councillor C E Smith

Councillor C R Rutherford

Councillor M D Wickerson

Councillor S J Schwarten

Councillor A P Williams

Councillor R A Swadling

Councillor N K Fisher

In Attendance:

Mr E Pardon – Chief Executive Officer

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

5 OFFICERS' REPORTS

5.1 TRADE AND INVESTMENT MISSION JUNE 2018 - INVITATION FROM THE PREMIER OF QUEENSLAND

File No: 8308
Attachments: Nil
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Acting Chief Executive Officer
Author: Ross Cheesman - Acting Chief Executive Officer

SUMMARY

This report seeks approval for a Council officer to join Mayor Strelow at a Trade and Investment Mission to be hosted in the United States of America with the Premier of Queensland, the Hon Anastacia Palaszczuk MP in June 2018.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT approval be granted for the General Manager Advance Rockhampton to participate in the Premier of Queensland's Trade and Investment Mission to the United States of America in June 2018.

BACKGROUND

A Trade and Investment Mission to the United States of America in June 2018 is being organised by the Department of Premier and Cabinet. The Premier of Queensland will lead a delegation from Queensland and has asked the Mayor to join the group and attend meetings with stakeholders and participate in the 2018 BIO International Convention.

After further consideration, it is considered more beneficial if the Mayor is accompanied by a Council officer to maximise benefits from the Trade and Investment Mission.

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

At its meeting on 15 May 2018 Council resolved as follows:

THAT Council approves Mayor Strelow's participation in the Premier of Queensland's Trade and Investment Mission to the United States of America in June 2018, and that a leave of absence be granted for 12 and 13 June 2018.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Expenditure associated with the trade and investment mission will be funded within the existing Advance Rockhampton 2017/2018 operational budget.

CONCLUSION

Council is committed to playing an active role in the economic development of the region with the long-term aim of stimulating economic growth and employment in the region through ongoing diversification of the region's economic base. Council's economic development function will continue to be supported and enhanced by participation in this trade mission which will play an important role in supporting the export potential of local businesses with international markets and provide opportunities to build international connections, attract foreign investment, secure local distributors and importers and develop knowledge of international markets.

5.2 APPOINTMENT OF ACTING MAYOR FOR THE PERIOD MONDAY 28 MAY TO 31 MAY 2018

File No: 10072
Attachments: Nil
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Acting Chief Executive Officer
Author: Damon Morrison - Executive Coordinator to the Mayor

SUMMARY

Appointment of an Acting Mayor is required for the period Monday 28 May 2018 to 31 May 2018 inclusive.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Councillor _____ be appointed as Acting Mayor for the period Monday, 28 May 2018 to 31 May 2018 inclusive.

BACKGROUND

On 28 May 2018 Mayor Strelow will be in Brisbane for a meeting before travelling to participate in the Premier of Queensland's Trade and Investment Mission to the United States of America.

Deputy Mayor, Councillor Cherie Rutherford is on leave for the period 28 May 2018 to 3 June 2018 inclusive.

Councillor Tony Williams has been appointed Acting Mayor for the period 1 June to 3 June 2018 inclusive.

Accordingly, Council is required to appoint an Acting Mayor for the period from Monday, 28 May to 31 May 2018 inclusive.

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

At its Ordinary Meeting on 15 May 2018, Council resolved:

- *'THAT Council approves Mayor Strelow's participation in the Premier of Queensland's Trade and Investment Mission to the United States of America in June 2018.'*
- *'THAT Councillor Tony Williams be appointed Acting Mayor for the period 1 June to 3 June 2018 inclusive.'*

6 CLOSURE OF MEETING