



## **ITEMS FOR DEBATE – COUNCIL MEETING 23 MARCH 2022**

### **ADOPTION BY EXCEPTION RESOLUTION**

<b><u>RECOMMENDATION</u></b>	
That the Committee Recommendations for Items 12.2, 12.3, 12.4, 12.5, 12.6, 12.8, and 12.9 and the Officer Recommendation for items 16.1 and 17.1 be adopted en bloc;	
12.2	Policy and Legislation Committee – 2/3/2022 – LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROPERTY AMENDMENT LOCAL LAW 2022
12.3	Policy and Legislation Committee – 2/3/2022 – HOLIDAY HOME REGULATORY FRAMEWORK REVIEW
12.4	Policy and Legislation Committee – 2/3/2022 – COUNCIL POLICY: TREE MANAGEMENT AND RETENTION ON CITY LAND
12.5	Policy and Legislation Committee – 2/3/2022 – REVIEW OF COUNCIL POLICY: MEETINGS, INFORMATION SESSIONS AND DECISION MAKING PROCESSES
12.6	Policy and Legislation Committee – 2/3/2022 – REVIEW OF CUSTOMER SERVICE CHARTER
12.8	Finance Committee – 9/3/2022 – FINANCIAL ACTIVITY STATEMENTS – YEAR TO DATE AS AT 31 JANUARY 2022
12.9	Finance Committee – 9/3/2022 – LIST OF PAYMENTS MADE – JANUARY 2022
16.1	ARTGEO RESIDENT ARTIST STUDIO 2 LEASE
17.1	COUNCILLORS' INFORMATION BULLETIN

**ITEMS TO BE DEALT WITH BY SEPARATE RESOLUTION (WITHOUT DEBATE)**

<b>Item No.</b>	<b>Item Title</b>	<b>Reason</b>
12.1	Audit and Risk Committee – 2/3/2022 – 2021 ANNUAL COMPLIANCE AUDIT RETURN	Absolute Majority Required
12.7	Finance Committee – 9/3/2022 – 2021/22 MID-YEAR BUDGET REVIEW	Absolute Majority Required
15.1	APPLICATION CLUB NIGHT LIGHTS PROGRAM – BUSSELTON BOWLING CLUB	Absolute Majority Required

## ITEMS FOR DEBATE

Item No. 16.2	LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2022/23 - 2031/32	Pulled by Cr Ryan	Page 240
<p><b><u>ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATION</u></b></p> <p>Line item “1.1 MERG Reserve Transfer” on Page 14 of the Long Term Financial Plan of \$100,000 in the first year and \$150,000 for the next 9 years be removed.</p>			
<p><b><u>REASONS FOR ALTERNATIVE</u></b></p> <p>The BPACC should be able to stand on its own feet without having to rely on the MERG (Marketing &amp; Events Reference Group) for the next 10 years. Similarly, not having to apply on an annual basis to the MERG for an amount of funding appears preordained and contrived. All other applications to the MERG have to apply on an annual basis, similarly so should the BPACC.</p>			
<p><b><u>OFFICER COMMENT</u></b></p> <p>The proposed allocation of funding from the Industrial and Commercial Differential rate (Differential rate) towards the Busselton Performing Arts and Convention Centre (BPACC) has been incorporated into the business operations plan and financial projections that forms part of the BPACC business case which has been available for public comment for over two years. The intended use of this is to part fund the BPACC programming schedule, including the purchasing/ securing of conferences, performances and/ or events, with regular updates to be made to Council via the Marketing and Events Reference Group on the use of these funds. The premise being that these funds will deliver significant economic benefits to the District, aligned with the City’s Event Strategy. The Events Strategy identifies the provision of an indoor events venue as a high priority, which the BPACC will deliver.</p> <p>This is similar to the allocation of Differential rate funding to City’s Airport Marketing Reserve. Since 2019/20 allocations have been made to part fund marketing programs to support the introduction of regular passenger transport (RPT) services to the region. These allocations have been included in the City’s previous long term financial plans (LTFP).</p> <p>Funding would need to be sourced elsewhere should the Differential rate not partially fund the BPACC’s programming schedule. The LTFP municipal component does not have the capacity to fund this. It is for these reasons that Officers are not supportive of the alternative recommendation, noting that the underlying premise of introducing the Differential rate was to contribute funds toward attracting quality events to the region.</p>			
<p><b><u>LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ADMINISTRATION) REGULATIONS REQUIREMENT</u></b></p> <p>Pursuant to regulation 11(da) of the <i>Local Government (Administration) Regulations</i> 1996, if the amended recommendation is adopted by Council, the above Reasons will be recorded in the Minutes.</p>			