



NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given to His Worship the Mayor and Councillors
that the next meeting of Council will be held in the
Alexandrina Council Community Chambers "*Wal Yuntu Warrin*"
11 Cadell Street, Goolwa
on Monday 4 February 2019
commencing at 6:30 pm

Your attendance is requested.

5:00pm	Council Briefing
6:30pm	Special Council Meeting

Glenn Rappensberg
Chief Executive Officer

1 February 2019

ALEXANDRINA COUNCIL

**AGENDA FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
TO BE HELD ON 4 FEBRUARY 2019
IN THE ALEXANDRINA COUNCIL COMMUNITY CHAMBERS “WAL YUNTU WARRIN”
GOOLWA**

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**REPORT AND AGENDA
FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
TO BE HELD ON 4 FEBRUARY 2019
IN THE
ALEXANDRINA COUNCIL COMMUNITY CHAMBERS "WAL
YUNTU WARRIN", GOOLWA**

An audio recording of this meeting is being made for minute-taking purposes and will last the length of the open meeting. The audio file will be available on the Council website after the draft Minutes have been circulated.

PRESENT

APOLOGIES

Cr Lewis

IN ATTENDANCE

GALLERY

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PRAYER

Almighty God, we humbly beseech thee to grant thy blessing upon the works of this Council, guide us in our deliberations for the advancement and the true welfare of the people of the district.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

The Alexandrina Council and its communities acknowledge the Ngarrindjeri people as the traditional custodians of the lands and waters of our Council district.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Elected Members are reminded of the requirements for disclosure by Members of any conflict of interest in items listed for consideration on the Agenda.

Section 74 of the Local Government Act 1999 requires that Elected Members declare any interest and provide full and accurate details of the relevant interest to the Council prior to consideration of that item on the Agenda.

Each Member of a Council has a duty to vote at all meetings unless excepted by legislation.

The major exception being where a Member has a conflict of interest.

1. GENERAL BUSINESS

1.1 Murray Darling Association Region 6 – Nomination for Region Chair

File Ref: 5.14.013

Responsible Officer: Shen Mann (Acting Group Manager Leadership)

Strategic Plan Impact:

ACTIVATE Liveability of townships and rural areas

PARTICIPATE Collaborative community ventures

THRIVE Protection of water resources

INNOVATE Resilient economy and proactive leadership

Report Objective

To consider the nomination of Cr Rebbeck for the position of Chair of Murray Darling Association Region 6 (MDA-R6).

Executive Summary

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of MDA-R6 is scheduled for 15 February 2019. At the AGM, the membership of MDA-R6 will elect a Region Chair and a Region Committee. The Region Committee currently consists of the Region Chair, one other member of MDA-R6 and the three CEOs (or their delegates) of Alexandrina Council, Coorong District Council and Rural City of Murray Bridge.

Cr Rebbeck has submitted a nomination for the position of MDA-R6 Chair and/or Region Committee member. The MDA requires that any nomination from a serving councillor be accompanied by a resolution of Council endorsing the nomination.

REFER ATTACHMENT Item 1.1 (a) and Item 1.1 (b) (pages 2 & 3)

Recommendation

Option 1

That Council endorse the nomination of Cr Melissa Rebbeck for the position of Chair of Murray Darling Association Region 6.

Or

Option 2

That Council does not endorse the nomination of Cr Melissa Rebbeck for the position of Chair of Murray Darling Association Region 6.

Context

The Murray Darling Association (**MDA**) is a membership based peak-representative body representing local government and communities across the Murray-Darling Basin.

The vision of the MDA is a healthy Murray-Darling Basin which supports thriving communities, economic development and sustainable productivity. The purpose of the MDA is to provide effective representation of local government and communities at a state and federal level in the management of Basin resources by providing information, facilitating debate and seeking to influence government policy.

Local governments form the core membership base of the MDA but individuals, businesses, not-for-profit and community service organisations can also become associate members.

The MDA comprises 12 regions across Queensland, New South Wales, Australian Capital Territory, Victoria and South Australia and the Chair of each region becomes a Board Member of the MDA.

Alexandrina Council is a member of MDA Region 6, along with Coorong District Council, Rural City of Murray Bridge, and Tatiara District Council.

Alexandrina Council is entitled to appoint three voting delegates to MDA-R6 and at the Council meeting held on 17 December 2018, Council appointed CEO Glenn Rappensberg, Cr Michael Scott and Cr Melissa Rebbeck.

General Analysis

In the previous term of Council, Alexandrina's representatives on MDA-R6 were Cr Barry Featherston, Cr Michael Scott and Cr Frank Tuckwell. Cr Featherston was also Chair of MDA-R6 and the National Vice President of the MDA.

Cr Featherston was not returned at the 2018 Local Government elections and the position of MDA-R6 Chair has thus been vacant since November 2018.

The next meeting of MDA-R6 is the Annual General Meeting (AGM) scheduled for 15 February 2019.

At the AGM, the membership of MDA-R6 will elect a Region Chair and a Region Committee. The Region Committee currently consists of the Region Chair, one other member of MDA-R6 and the three CEOs (or their delegates) of Alexandrina Council, Coorong District Council and Rural City of Murray Bridge.

Cr Rebbeck has submitted a nomination for the position of MDA-R6 Chair and/or Region Committee member. The MDA requires that any nomination from a serving councillor be accompanied by a resolution of Council endorsing the nomination. Rural City of Murray Bridge has endorsed Mayor Brenton Lewis for the position of Chair whilst Coorong District Council has endorsed Cr Vern Leng.

Comparative Analysis

There are over 160 councils within the Murray Darling Basin and approximately 100 of these are current members of the Murray Darling Association.

Financial and Economic Implications

Elected Member travel expenses associated with attendance at MDA-R6 meetings are covered by the Elected Members' Allowances, Benefits, Support & Facilities Policy.

Risk Management

In accordance with the Alexandrina Risk Management Policy and Matrix, the risk of adopting the recommendation in this report is considered low.

2. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

2.1 Goolwa Wharf Precinct Recreational Boating Facility – Status Update Regarding Legal Proceedings (Confidential)

That pursuant to Sections 90 (2) and (3)(h) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the Council orders that the public be excluded from the meeting with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, General Managers, Minute Taker and the officer responsible for the report, on the basis that the Council considers it necessary and appropriate to act in a manner closed to the public in order to receive, discuss and consider information by way of a report and associated documents in relation to agenda item 2.1 titled “Goolwa Wharf Precinct Recreational Boating Facility – Status Update Regarding Legal Proceedings” and the Council is satisfied that the meeting should be conducted in a place open to the public is outweighed in relation to the matter because receiving, considering and discussing the report and associated documentation contains/involves:

Section 90(3)(h) legal advice

Section 90(3)(i) information relating to actual litigation involving the council

Substantiation:

Council administration has sought legal advice regarding the current status of legal proceedings for the Goolwa Wharf Precinct Recreational Boating Facility (Goolwa pontoons) matter.

Recommendation

1. That pursuant to Sections 91(7) and (9) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA) (Act), the Council orders that the report, minutes, attachments and associated documents of the Council meeting held on 4 February 2019 in relation to confidential item number 2.1 and titled “Goolwa Wharf Precinct Recreational Boating Facility – Status Update Regarding Legal Proceedings”, having been considered and dealt with by the Council on a confidential basis under Part 3 of the Act, are to be kept confidential and not available to the public for a period of twelve months from the date of this confidentiality order, or unless revoked earlier by the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with paragraph 2 of this resolution.
2. That pursuant to section 91(9)(c) of the Act the Council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to revoke the order made in paragraph 1 of this resolution at any time.

3. CLOSURE