

AGENDA

Greater Shepparton City Council

ADDITIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

5:30PM, Thursday 9 June 2022

Riverlinks Studio 1

COUNCILLORS

Cr Anthony Brophy (Acting Mayor)

Cr Seema Abdullah

Cr Geoffrey Dobson

Cr Greg James

Cr Kim O'Keeffe

Cr Shane Sali

Cr Sam Spinks

Cr Fern Summer

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.

**A G E N D A
FOR THE
COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON
THURSDAY 9 JUNE 2022 AT 5:30PM**

**CHAIR
CHRIS TEITZEL
ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

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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

1 Welcome to Country

To be presented by Cr James on behalf of the Yorta Yorta Elders Council and the 16 family groups.

2 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.

3 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.

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4 Governance Principles

Council considers that the recommendations contained in this Agenda 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 economic, social and environmental sustainability of the municipal district, including mitigation and planning for climate change risks, is to be promoted;
4. the municipal community is to be engaged in strategic planning and strategic decision making;
5. innovation and continuous improvement is to be pursued;
6. collaboration with other Councils and Governments and statutory bodies is to be sought;
7. the ongoing financial viability of the Council is to be ensured;
8. regional, state and national plans and policies are to be taken into account in strategic planning and decision making;
9. the transparency of Council decisions, actions and information is to be ensured.

5 Apologies

Nil received.

6 Declarations of Conflict of Interest

In accordance with section 130 (1)(a) of the Local Government Act 2020 Councillors are required to disclose any "conflict of interest" in respect of a matter to be considered at a Council Meeting.

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

7 Corporate Services Directorate

7.1 Election of Mayor

Author	Senior Governance Officer
Approved by	Director Corporate Services
Purpose	For Decision by Council

Disclosures of Conflict of Interest in Relation to this Report

Under section 130 of the *Local Government Act 2020* officers, delegates and persons engaged under a contract providing advice to Council must disclose any conflicts of interests.

No Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a conflict of interest regarding the matter under consideration.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Mayoral term be set to serve the remaining period of the current term, effective immediately upon appointment.

NOMINATION

In accordance with Part 2 of the Governance Rules, the Acting Chief Executive Officer will call for nominations to fill the position of Mayor.

Executive Summary

The purpose of this summary report is to facilitate the election of a Councillor to be the Mayor of Greater Shepparton City Council.

Report Detail

In accordance with Section 25 of the *Local Government Act 2020*, Councillors must elect a Councillor to be the Mayor of the Council. Traditionally Council has appointed Mayors for one-year terms. However, under section 26(3) of the Act Council may resolve to elect a Mayor for a term of two years. Cr O’Keeffe was elected as a Mayor for a period of one year at the 26 October 2021 Additional Council Meeting. She tendered her resignation from her position as a Mayor to be effective from 11:00pm, Monday 6 June 2022. Council now seeks to fill this vacancy in the Mayoral role for the remainder of this term, in accordance with Section 26(8) of the Local Government Act 2020.

The process for the election of the Mayor is to be undertaken in accordance with Chapter 2 Part 2 of Council’s Governance Rules.

Council Plan/Key Strategic Activity

LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE

Provide strong civic leadership, advocacy and good governance in the operation of Greater Shepparton City Council.

1.3 Council demonstrates strong leadership and sound decision making in the best interests of the community.

Risk Management

Risks	Likelihood	Consequence	Rating	Mitigation Action
Elected Councillor not understanding the increased responsibilities and time commitments arising from Mayoral appointment.	Unlikely	Moderate	Low	A Mayoral Statement of Expectations that details the responsibilities of the Mayor has now been adopted.

Policy Considerations

This proposal does not conflict with existing Council policies.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications arising from this proposal. Provision has been provided for the payment of a Mayoral Allowance in the 2022/2023 Budget.

Legal/Statutory Implications

Section 25 of the *Local Government Act 2020* states that the Council must elect a Councillor to be the Mayor of the Council at a meeting of the Council that is open to the public.

Environmental/Sustainability Impacts

There are no environmental or sustainability impacts arising from this proposal.

Social Implications

There are no social implications arising from this proposal.

Economic Impacts

There are no economic impacts arising from this proposal.

Consultation

Officers believe that appropriate consultation has occurred and the matter is now ready for Council consideration.

Strategic Links

Greater Shepparton 2030 Strategy

- Nil

Conclusion

In accordance with section 26(8) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, the Council must appoint one of their members as Mayor of the Greater Shepparton City Council to fill the vacancy caused by Mayor O’Keeffe’s resignation. The incoming Mayor will serve the remaining period of Cr O’Keeffe’s term.

Attachments

Nil

8 Other Business

RECOMMENDATION

That a leave of absence be granted to Cr O’Keeffe, effective from 5:00pm, Friday 10 June 2022, until the results of the upcoming State Election has been declared.

9 Close of Meeting