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## Council MINUTES

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Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Dunedin City Council held in the Council Chamber, Municipal Chambers, The Octagon, Dunedin on Tuesday 11 February 2020, commencing at 6.29 pm

### PRESENT

**Mayor** Mayor Aaron Hawkins  
**Deputy Mayor** Cr Christine Garey

**Members**

Cr Sophie Barker	Cr David Benson-Pope
Cr Rachel Elder	Cr Doug Hall
Cr Carmen Houlahan	Cr Marie Laufiso
Cr Mike Lord	Cr Jim O'Malley
Cr Jules Radich	Cr Lee Vandervis
Cr Steve Walker	

### IN ATTENDANCE

Sue Bidrose (Chief Executive Officer), Sandy Graham (General Manager City Services), Simon Drew (General Manager Infrastructure Services), Simon Pickford (General Manager Community Services), Dave Tombs (General Manager Finance and Commercial), John Christie (Director Enterprise Dunedin) and Graham McKerracher (Manager, Council Communications and Marketing); Gavin Logie (Financial Controller), Carolyn Allan (Senior Management Accountant)

**Governance Support Officer** Lynne Adamson

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### 1 PUBLIC FORUM

There was no Public Forum.

### 2 APOLOGIES

Moved (Mayor Aaron Hawkins/Cr Steve Walker):

That the Council:

**Accepts** the apologies for absence from Crs Andrew Whiley and Chris Staynes and for lateness from Crs Jules Radich and Lee Vandervis.

**Motion carried (CNL/2020/009)**

### 3 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved (Mayor Aaron Hawkins/Cr Christine Garey):

That the Council:

**Confirms** the agenda with the following addition or alteration

In regard to Standing Order 21.4, that Option C be adopted in relation to moving and seconding and speaking to amendments.

**Motion carried (CNL/2020/010)**

### 4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were reminded of the need to stand aside from decision-making when a conflict arose between their role as an elected representative and any private or other external interest they might have.

Moved (Mayor Aaron Hawkins/Cr Christine Garey):

That the Council:

- a) **Notes** the Elected Members' Interest Register; and
- b) **Confirms** the proposed management plan for Elected Members' Interests.
- c) **Notes** the staff members' Interest Register.

**Motion carried (CNL/2020/011)**

## REPORTS

### 5 2020-21 RATING METHOD

A report from Finance provided Council with options to increase the proportion of rates revenue collected by way of the general rate following a request from Council.

The General Manager City Services (Sandy Graham) and Financial Controller (Gavin Logie spoke to the report and responded to questions.

During discussion Crs Jules Radich and Lee Vandervis entered the meeting at 6.31 pm.

There was a discussion on the impact of the new rating method and options for the Community Services Targeted Rate.

During discussion Cr Doug Hall left the meeting at 7.03 pm and returned at 7.08 pm  
Cr Doug Hall left the meeting at 7.14 pm and returned at 7.16 pm.

Moved (Cr David Benson-Pope/Cr Jim O'Malley):

That the Council, for the purposes of community engagement:

- a) **Reduces** the Community Services Targeted Rate to \$100.00.
- b) **Approves** the current rating method for the setting of all other rates for the 2020-21 year.

#### **Division**

The Council voted by division

For: Crs Sophie Barker, David Benson-Pope, Rachel Elder, Christine Garey, Marie Laufiso, Jim O'Malley, Steve Walker and Mayor Aaron Hawkins (8).  
Against: Crs Doug Hall, Carmen Houlahan, Mike Lord, Jules Radich and Lee Vandervis (5).  
Abstained: Nil

The division was declared CARRIED by 8 votes to 5

**Motion carried (CNL/2020/012)**

## **6 SHORT TERM VISITOR ACCOMMODATION**

A report from Finance advised that Council currently had two active resolutions related to rating differentials and recommended that Council considered dealing with both matters as part of a single review to be carried out as part of the development of the 2021-31 10 year plan. This would avoid unnecessary, and costly, administrative duplication and avoid adopting a piecemeal approach to changes to the current rating method.

The General Manager Finance and Commercial (Dave Tombs) and Financial Controller (Gavin Logie) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

During discussion Cr Lee Vandervis left the meeting at 07:24 pm and Cr Doug Hall left at 7.35 pm.

Moved (Cr David Benson-Pope/Cr Jim O'Malley):

That the Council:

- a) **Reviews** all general rate differentials in time for 2021-31 10 year plan.
- b) **Notes** that there will be no change to rating differentials for 2020/21 financial year

**.Motion carried (CNL/2020/013)**

## **7 FUNDING OPTIONS: SUBSIDISED BUS FARES IN DUNEDIN**

A report Finance provided options for the funding of subsidised bus fares in Dunedin for the

2020/21 financial year.

The General Manager Finance and Commercial (Dave Tombs) and Financial Controller (Gavin Logie) spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Cr Christine Garey left the meeting at 7.55 pm and returned at 7.57 pm

Moved (Cr Mike Lord/Cr Carmen Houlahan):

That the Council:

- a) **Treat** any required subsidy that may be necessary as unbudgeted expenditure in the 2020/21 financial year.
- b) **Notes** that once the required level of expenditure is ascertained, the cost can be included in the development of the 2021-31 10 year plan.

**Motion carried (CNL/2020/014)**

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm

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MAYOR