
ORANGE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE

FINANCE POLICY COMMITTEE

HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE

ON 6 SEPTEMBER 2022

COMMENCING AT 8.06PM

1 INTRODUCTION

ATTENDANCE

Cr K Duffy (Chairperson), Cr J Hamling (Mayor), Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr T Mileto, Cr S Peterson, Cr G Power (Deputy Mayor), Cr J Whitton

Chief Executive Officer, A/Director Corporate and Commercial Services (Sharp), Director Development Services, Director Community, Recreation and Cultural Services, Director Technical Services, Chief Financial Officer, Manager Corporate Governance, Executive Support Officer, Manager Communications & Engagement, Manager Operations, Manager Engineering Services

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

RESOLVED - 22/335	Cr M McDonell/Cr S Peterson
That Cr T Greenhalgh be permitted to attend the Council meeting of Orange City Council on 6 September 2022 via audio visual link (zoom).	

For: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr T Mileto, Cr S Peterson, Cr G Power , Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Nil

1.1 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS, SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Cr Greenhalgh declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in the Finance Policy Committee Meeting Item 2.2 part 3 – Small Donations & Grants – Applications for Consideration (Round 1) as she is a member of the Donation Applicant - Compassionate Friends.

2 GENERAL REPORTS

RESOLVED - 22/336

Cr T Mileto/Cr G Power

That item 2.1 Events Sponsorship Program – Applications for Funding (Round 2) be heard and voted on in seriatim.

2.1 EVENTS SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM - APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING (ROUND 2)

TRIM REFERENCE: 2022/1602

RESOLVED - 22/337

Cr T Mileto/Cr D Mallard

1. That Council waive the cost of hiring The Orange Function Centre for the 2022 Orange Careers Expo and Trade Experience (in-kind support worth approx. \$1,400).

For: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr T Mileto, Cr S Peterson, Cr G Power , Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Nil

Cr Evans asked if we don't waive the fee is there any risk to not having such an important expo for the Community.

The Acting Director Corporate & Commercial Services stated we cannot say if it would continue without this. We have provided this support in the past.

RESOLVED - 22/338

Cr J Hamling/Cr S Peterson

- 2 That Council commit to waiving the cost of hiring The Orange Function Centre for the annual Orange Careers Expo and Trade Experience for the next 3 years (2022, 2023, 2024)(approx. \$1,400 each year).

For: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr T Mileto, Cr S Peterson, Cr G Power , Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Nil

MOTION

Cr J Whitton/Cr J Hamling

- 3 That Council approve funding the 2022 Orange Wine Festival \$10,000, which will assist with media and promotion costs.

AMENDMENT

Cr T Mileto/Cr J Evans

- 3 That Council defer the consideration of funding for the 2022 Orange Wine Festival of \$10,000 for further information to be provided.

For: Cr K Duffy, Cr T Mileto, Cr J Evans, Cr F Kinghorne

Against: Cr J Hamling, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell,

Cr S Peterson, Cr G Power , Cr J Whitton

Absent: Nil

THE AMENDMENT ON BEING PUT WAS LOST**THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS CARRIED****RESOLVED - 22/339****Cr J Whitton/Cr J Hamling**

- 3 That Council approve funding the 2022 Orange Wine Festival \$10,000, which will assist with media and promotion costs.

For: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr T Mileto, Cr S Peterson, Cr G Power , Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Nil

Cr Mileto asked what role Orange 360 play in the Orange Wine Festival – do they have any role in promotion.

The Chief Executive Officer advised Orange 360 has been asked to run the Wine Festival and food festival as well later this year.

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**Cr S Peterson**

Cr Peterson asked that information be provided to Council of what proportion of hire fees are waived across all bookings for the Orange Function Centre.

RESOLVED - 22/340**Cr T Mileto/Cr S Peterson**

That item 2.2 Small Donations & Grants – Applications for Consideration (Round 1) be heard and voted on in seriatim.

For: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr T Mileto, Cr S Peterson, Cr G Power , Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Nil

2.2 SMALL DONATIONS & GRANTS - APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION (ROUND 1)

TRIM REFERENCE: 2022/1605

Cr Greenhalgh declared a Significant Pecuniary Interest in item 2.2 point 3 as part of the committee applying for funding, left the audio visual link and did not participate in discussion or voting on this item.

RESOLVED – 22/341**Cr J Hamling/Cr J Whitton**

1 That Council approve \$1,000 to the Bloomfield Hospital Auxiliary for personalised resources for mental health and drug & alcohol rehabilitation patients.

For: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr T Mileto, Cr S Peterson, Cr G Power , Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Nil

RESOLVED – 22/342**Cr J Hamling/Cr T Mileto**

2 That Council approve \$1,200 to Challenge Community Services for two exercise machines and a veggie garden for clients with a disability.

For: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr T Mileto, Cr S Peterson, Cr G Power , Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Nil

Cr Greenhalgh left the meeting with the time being 8.21pm

RESOLVED - 22/343**Cr J Whitton/Cr J Hamling**

3 The Council approve \$997.50 to the Compassionate Friends of Orange Group to purchase and distribute the book 'Coping With Grief' to support families grieving the loss of a child.

For: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr F Kinghorne,

Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr T Mileto, Cr S Peterson, Cr G Power , Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr T Greenhalgh

Cr Greenhalgh returned to the meeting with the time being 8.22pm

RESOLVED – 22/344**Cr M McDonell/Cr J Whitton**

4 That Council approve \$1,500 to the Canobolas Pipe Band to assist in the purchase of uniforms and music equipment.

For: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr T Mileto, Cr S Peterson, Cr G Power , Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Nil

MOTION**Cr D Mallard/Cr G Floyd**

5 That Council approve \$1,500 to Bletchington Softball Club to support their recruitment drive.

THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS LOST

For: Cr D Mallard

Against: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr M McDonell, Cr T Mileto, Cr S Peterson, Cr G Power , Cr J Whitton

Absent: Nil

RESOLVED – 22/345	Cr J Hamling/Cr T Greenhalgh
6 That Council approve \$2,000 to Road Safety Education Ltd for training local high school students in driving safety. For: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr T Mileto, Cr G Power , Cr J Whitton Against: Cr S Peterson Absent: Nil	
MOTION	Cr F Kinghorne/Cr D Mallard
7 That Council approve \$2,500 for the Central West Region Girl Guides to support the running costs of maintaining the Guide Hall as well as paying for essential services.	
AMENDMENT	Cr S Peterson/Cr J Evans
7 That Council approve \$1,000 for the Central West Region Girl Guides to support the running costs of maintaining the Guide Hall as well as paying for essential services. For: Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr S Peterson, Cr T Mileto Against: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr G Power, Cr J Whitton Absent: Nil	
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RESOLVED – 22/346	Cr F Kinghorne/Cr D Mallard
7 That Council approve \$2,500 for the Central West Region Girl Guides to support the running costs of maintaining the Guide Hall as well as paying for essential services. For: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr T Mileto, Cr G Power , Cr J Whitton Against: Cr S Peterson Absent: Nil	
MOTION	Cr G Floyd/Cr J Hamling
8 That Council approve \$2,500 for the Orange 8 Day Games to supplement participant entry fees.	
AMENDMENT	Cr K Duffy/Cr J Hamling
8 That the application for \$2,500 for the Orange 8 Day Games to supplement participant entry fees be deferred for more information to be provided. For: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr S Peterson , Cr G Power, Cr J Whitton Against: Cr T Mileto, Cr F Kinghorne Absent: Nil	
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RESOLVED - 22/347**Cr K Duffy/Cr J Hamling**

8 That the application for \$2,500 for the Orange 8 Day Games to supplement participant entry fees be deferred for more information to be provided.

For: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr S Peterson , Cr G Power, Cr J Whitton

Against: Cr T Mileto, Cr F Kinghorne

Absent: Nil

RESOLVED - 22/348**Cr G Floyd/Cr M McDonell**

9 That Council approve \$2,500 for The Country Education Foundation (Orange and District Branch) to support two or three Orange LGA students from lower income families to access further education in 2023.

For: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr T Mileto, Cr G Power , Cr J Whitton

Against: Cr S Peterson

Absent: Nil

Cr Mileto asked what further education is not already provided by the educational system. *The Chief Executive Officer advised it provides a support network they wouldn't normally have fully funded by donations. It is not about the tuition but support for the students.*

Cr Mileto asked who chooses the students.

The Chief Executive Officer advised their board choose once students nominated – participants are found and interviewed.

Cr Greenhalgh sought clarification if funding was approved that it would go towards Orange students.

The Chief Executive Officer advised yes, it is very localised.

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**Cr T Mileto**

Cr Mileto asked for further information to be provided on current government funding to help Community groups and whether Council can apply for grant funding to assist overall efforts to help Community groups.

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**Cr J Evans**

Cr Evans asked if Council could be advised if the likes of Newcrest will be bringing back the 'Beyond the Curve' program.

2.3 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS - ADVICE TO COUNCILS

TRIM REFERENCE: 2022/1650

RESOLVED - 22/349

Cr J Whitton/Cr D Mallard

That the report on Financial Assistance Grants – Advice to Councils, be noted.

For: Cr J Hamling, Cr K Duffy, Cr J Evans, Cr G Floyd, Cr T Greenhalgh, Cr F Kinghorne, Cr D Mallard, Cr M McDonell, Cr T Mileto, Cr S Peterson, Cr G Power , Cr J Whitton

Against: Nil

Absent: Nil

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.59PM