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## **Special Meeting of Council**

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### **MINUTES**

Friday 10 July 2020

Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom  
50 Brolga Street, Quilpie Qld 4480





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### 1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9.49am.

### 2 PRESENT

Cr Stuart Mackenzie (Mayor)

Cr Jenny Hewson (Deputy Mayor)

Cr Bruce Paulsen

Cr Lyn Barnes

Cr Roger Volz

Mr Dave Burges (Chief Executive Officer)

In attendance: Mrs Nina Burges (Minutes Secretary)

### 3 APOLOGIES

Nil.

### 4 2020/2021 OPERATIONAL PLAN

#### (07/20) – Adoption of 2020/2021 Operational Plan

In accordance with Section 174 (1) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Quilpie Shire Council Operational Plan for the year ending 30th June 2021 has been prepared and is presented for adoption.

The draft plan was reviewed during the budget workshops held in May and June 2020.

Resolution No: (01-07S-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

That Council adopt the Operational Plan for 2020/2021 as presented in item 4.1 of the accompanying agenda.

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## 5 ADOPTION OF BUDGET

### (07/20) – Adoption of the 2020/2021 Budget

In accordance with Section 170 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the Quilpie Shire Council Budget for 2020-2021 has been prepared and is presented for adoption.

The budget gives council authority to raise \$32.94M in revenue to fund its operations and planned capital spends.

With planned expenditure of 32.62M, Council's 2020/2021 operating result is forecast to generate a surplus of \$0.32M.

The budget is consistent with the Corporate Plan 2017-2022 as reviewed by Council in May 2020.

Resolution No: (02-07S-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

#### **DIFFERENTIAL GENERAL RATES**

That Council:

(a) Pursuant to section 81 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the categories in to which rateable land is categorised, the description of those categories and, pursuant to sections 81(4) and 81(5) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the method by which land is to be identified and included in its appropriate category is as follows:

<b>Column 1 - Category</b> (section 81)	<b>Column 2 - Description</b> (section 81)	<b>Column 3 – Identification</b> (sections 81(4) and 81(5))
1	Town of Quilpie - Residential Land within the township of Quilpie used, or capable of being used, for residential purposes which is or can be serviced with urban infrastructure, other than land used for commercial, industrial, grazing, agriculture, petroleum, mineral or extractive industry production.	<i>In accordance with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines "Land Use Codes"</i>
2	Township of Eromanga Land within the township of Eromanga used, or	<i>In accordance with the Department of Natural</i>

	capable of being used, for residential, commercial or industrial purposes which is or can be serviced with urban infrastructure, other than land used for grazing, agriculture, petroleum, mineral or extractive industry production.	<i>Resources and Mines "Land Use Codes"</i>
3	Other Rural Towns Land within the townships of Adavale, Toompine and Cheepie used, or capable of being used, for residential, commercial or industrial purposes which is or can be serviced with urban infrastructure, other than land used for grazing, agriculture, petroleum, mineral or extractive industry production	<i>In accordance with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines "Land Use Codes"</i>
4	Opal Mines Land, held under the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> used for the purpose of extracting opals and other precious metals and gemstones.	<i>In accordance with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines "Land Use Codes"</i>
5	Other Land not included in any other category.	<i>In accordance with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines "Land Use Codes"</i>
6	Rural - Grazing and Agriculture Land used, or capable of being used, for rural purposes, including grazing and agriculture.	<i>In accordance with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines "Land Use Codes"</i>
7	Town of Quilpie - Commercial and Industrial Land used, or capable of being used in whole or part, for commercial or industrial purposes which is or can be serviced with urban infrastructure, other than land used for residential, grazing, agriculture, petroleum, mineral or extractive industry production.	<i>In accordance with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines "Land Use Codes"</i>
8	Rural-Pumps, bore sites and communication facilities Land used for the purposes of pumps, bore site or communication facility.	<i>In accordance with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines "Land Use Codes"</i>
9	Mining and Oil Production <5000ha Land, held under the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> or <i>Petroleum Act 1923</i> , with an area less than 5,000 hectares other than land included in category 4.	<i>In accordance with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines "Land Use Codes"</i>
10	Mining and Oil Production 5000-10000ha Land, held under the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> or <i>Petroleum Act 1923</i> , with an area between 5,000 and 10,000 hectares other than land included in category 4.	<i>In accordance with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines "Land Use Codes"</i>
11	Mining and Oil Production 10000-20000ha Land, held under the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> or	<i>In accordance with the Department of Natural</i>

	<i>Petroleum Act 1923</i> , with an area between 10,000 and 20,000 hectares other than land included in category 4.	<i>Resources and Mines "Land Use Codes"</i>
12	Mining and Oil Production 20000-50000ha Land, held under the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> or <i>Petroleum Act 1923</i> , with an area between 20,000 and 50,000 hectares other than land included in category 4.	<i>In accordance with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines "Land Use Codes"</i>
13	Mining and Oil Production >50000ha Land, held under the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> or <i>Petroleum Act 1923</i> , with an area more than 50,000 hectares other than land included in category 4.	<i>In accordance with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines "Land Use Codes"</i>
14	Oil Distillation/Refining Land used for, or in association or connection with the:- – distillation of crude oil or natural gas; and – storage or transport of crude oil or natural gas.	<i>In accordance with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines "Land Use Codes"</i>

(b) Council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power, pursuant to sections 81(4) and 81(5) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, to identify the rating category to which each parcel of rateable land belongs.

(c) Pursuant to section 94 of the Local Government Act 2009 and section 80 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the differential general rate to be made and levied for each differential general rate category and, pursuant to section 77 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the minimum general rate to be made and levied for each differential general rate category, is as follows:

<b>Column 1 - Category</b>	<b>Column 2 - Rate in the Dollar <sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Column 3 - Minimum Differential General Rate<sup>2</sup></b>
1	1.743 cents in the dollar	\$365.00
2	5.070 cents in the dollar	\$365.00
3	71.300 cents in the dollar	\$321.00
4	43.000 cents in the dollar	\$360.00
5	109.924 cents in the dollar	\$562.00
6	2.870 cents in the dollar	\$300.00
7	1.750 cents in the dollar	\$365.00
8	37.300 cents in the dollar	\$307.00
9	291.000 cents in the dollar	\$45,778.00
10	224.500 cents in the dollar	\$107,713.00
11	88.560 cents in the dollar	\$140,027.00
12	88.560 cents in the dollar	\$150,798.00

<sup>1</sup> 0% increase in the rate in the dollar from 2019/2020

<sup>2</sup> 2% increase in the minimum rate from 2019/2020

13	88.560 cents in the dollar	\$161,569.00
14	234.4333 cents in the dollar	\$32,3140.00

(d) Pursuant to section 116 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the amount of the differential general rate to be levied for the 2020/2021 financial year on the categories of land identified in Column 1 of the table below, be limited to an amount no more than an amount equal to the amount of general rate levied on that land in the previous financial year increased by the percentage identified in column 2 of the table below:

Column 1 - Category	Column 2 – Percentage Increase (i.e. “the cap”)
1	10%
2	10%
3	10%
4	10%
5	10%
6	10%
7	10%
8	10%
9	10%
10	10%
11	10%
12	10%
13	10%
14	10%

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Resolution No: (03-07S-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

**SPECIAL RATE**

That Council:

(a) Pursuant to section 94 of the Local Government Act 2009 and section 94 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council make and levy a special rate (to be known as the “Wild Dog Control Special Rate”) on all rateable land to which the overall plan applies to fund various wild dog control measures as follows:

<u>Column 1</u>	<u>Column 2</u>	<u>Column 3</u>
Description of Land (Differential Rating Categories)	Cents per dollar of Rateable Value (annual)	Minimum (annual)

Category 6 Rural - Grazing and Agriculture	0.1435	\$15.00
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(b) The overall plan for the Wild Dog Control Special Rate is detailed in Council's Revenue Statement and details that in relation to the rateable land to which the special rate applies, the special rate will fund: -

1. Promoting the Scheme, and providing information in relation to the control of wild dogs, to the owners of the rateable land;
2. Enhanced wild dog control activities on the rateable land;
3. The provision of bait meat, aeroplane hire, staff and avgas for identified wild dog control purposes;
4. Tracking the existence of wild dogs on the rateable land; and
5. Tracking the removal of wild dogs from the rateable land.

(c) The special rate is for services, facilities and activities that have a special association with particular land because:

- i. The rateable land or its occupier specially benefits from the service, facility or activity funded by the special rate because wild dogs inhibit the use of the land and the provision of the service, facility or activity will assist in managing the problem from a shire wide perspective.

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Resolution No: (04-07S-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

**SPECIAL RATE**

That Council:

(a) Pursuant to section 94 of the Local Government Act 2009 and section 94 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council make and levy a special rate (to be known as the "Invasive Pests Control Special Rate") on all rateable land to which the overall plan applies to fund various invasive pests control measures as follows:

<u>Column 1</u> Description of Land (Differential Rating Categories)	<u>Column 2</u> Cents per dollar of Rateable Value (annual)	<u>Column 3</u> Minimum (annual)
Category 6 Rural - Grazing and Agriculture	0.5740	\$2000.00

(b) The overall plan for the Invasive Pests Control Special Rate is detailed in Council's Revenue Statement and details that in relation to the rateable land to which the special rate applies, the special rate will fund: -

1. Promoting the Scheme, and providing information in relation to the control of invasive pests, to the owners of the rateable land;

2. Enhanced invasive pests control activities on the rateable land;
3. Tracking the existence of invasive pests on the rateable land; and
4. Tracking the removal of invasive pests from the rateable land.

(c) The special rate is for services, facilities and activities that have a special association with particular land because:

i. The rateable land or its occupier specially benefits from the service, facility or activity funded by the special rate because various invasive pests inhibit the use of the land and the provision of the service, facility or activity will assist in managing the problem from a shire wide perspective.

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Resolution No: (05-07S-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

### **SEWERAGE UTILITY CHARGES**

That Council:

Pursuant to section 94 of the Local Government Act 2009 and section 99 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council make and levy sewerage utility charges, for the supply of sewerage services by the Council, as follows:

\$14.50<sup>3</sup> per unit with the number of units based on:

<b>Description</b>	<b>Units<sup>4</sup></b>
Vacant Land – Infrastructure	15
Occupied Residential Land	30
For Each Extra Pedestal	5
Flat, Unit, Aged Persons Home (each)	20
Motel	20
For Each Extra Pedestal/Cistern	5
Hotel, Hotel/Motel, Club	20
For Each Extra Pedestal/Cistern	10
Fire Brigade/SES	15
Church/Residence	30
For Each Extra Pedestal/Cistern	5
Other Businesses	25
For Each Extra Pedestal/Cistern	5
Other Businesses with attached dwelling	30

<sup>3</sup> 2% increase in the sewerage utility charge per unit from 2019/2020

<sup>4</sup> No change to the sewerage utility units from 2019/2020



School	20
For Each Extra Pedestal/Cistern	10
CWA, Cultural Society, Non Profit	20
Convent, Church, Residence	30
For Each Extra Pedestal/Cistern	5
Swimming Pool	200
JW Park Tennis/Netball Courts	300
Bulloo Park	300
Shire Office/Public Toilets	20
For Each Extra Pedestal/Cistern	10
Caravan Park	300
Refinery	30
For Each Extra Pedestal/Cistern	5
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*Resolution No: (06-07S-20)*

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**WATER UTILITY CHARGES**

*That Council:*

(a) Pursuant to section 94 of the Local Government Act 2009 and section 99 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council make and levy water utility charges, for the supply of water services by the Council, as follows:

\$15.16<sup>5</sup> per unit with the number of units based on:

Description	Units <sup>6</sup>
Vacant Land – Infrastructure	15
Occupied Residential Land	30
For Each Extra Pedestal	5
Occupied Residential Land – Cheepie	40
Flat, Unit, Aged Persons Home (each)	20
Motel	20
For Each Extra Pedestal/Cistern	5
Hotel, Hotel/Motel, Club	20

<sup>5</sup> 2% increase in the water utility charge per unit from 2019/2020

<sup>6</sup> No change to the water utility units from 2019/2020

For Each Extra Pedestal/Cistern	10
Fire Brigade/SES	150
Church/Residence	30
For Each Extra Pedestal/Cistern	5
Other Businesses	25
For Each Extra Pedestal/Cistern	5
Other Businesses with attached dwelling	30
School	20
For Each Extra Pedestal/Cistern	10
CWA, Cultural Society, Non Profit	20
Convent, Church, Residence	30
For Each Extra Pedestal/Cistern	5
Railway Station Yards	100
Trucking Yards	100
Swimming Pool	200
JW Park Tennis/Netball Courts	600
Bulloo Park	600
Shire Office/Public Toilets	20
For Each Extra Pedestal/Cistern	10
Median Strips	600
Wash-down Bay – Quilpie	100
Industrial Blocks	30
Rural/Residential Blocks	30
Bowling Green	100
Caravan Park	300
Refinery	450
Oil Wash down – Eromanga	120

(b) Pursuant to section 102(2) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a water meter is taken to have been read during the period that starts 2 weeks before, and ends 2 weeks after, the day on which the meter is actually read.

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Resolution No: (07-07S-20)

**Moved by: Cr Roger Volz**

**Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen**

## **WASTE MANAGEMENT UTILITY CHARGES**

*That Council:*

*Pursuant to section 94 of the Local Government Act 2009 and section 99 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council make and levy waste management utility charges, for the supply of waste management services by the Council, as follows:*

*\$28.58<sup>7</sup> per unit, plus \$51.86<sup>8</sup> per extra bin, with the number of units based on:*

<b>Description</b>	<b>Units<sup>9</sup></b>
Occupied Residential Land	20
Flat, Unit, Aged Persons Home (each)	20
Motel	20
Hotel, Hotel/Motel, Club	20
Fire Brigade/SES	20
Church/Residence	20
Other Businesses	20
Other Businesses with attached dwelling	20
School	20
CWA, Cultural Society, Non Profit	20
Convent, Church, Residence	20
Railway Station Yards	20
Swimming Pool	20
JW Park Tennis/Netball Courts	20
Bulloo Park	20
Shire Office/Public Toilets	20
Caravan Park	20
Refinery	

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Resolution No: (08-07S-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

### **DISCOUNT**

*That Council:*

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<sup>7</sup> 2% increase in the waste management utility charge per unit from 2019/2020

<sup>8</sup> 2% increase in the waste management additional bin charge from 2019/2020

<sup>9</sup> No change to the waste management utility units from 2019/2020

Pursuant to section 130 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the differential general rates, sewerage utility charges, water utility charges and waste management utility charges made and levied for those categories of ratepayers listed in Column 1 of the table below, shall be subject to a discount of ten (10)% if paid within the discount period as identified in Column 2 of the table below provided that:

(b) all other rates and charges appearing on the rate notice (that are not subject to a discount) are paid within the applicable discount period as identified in Column 2 of the table below; and

(c) all other overdue rates and charges relating to the rateable assessment are paid within the applicable discount period as identified in Column 2 of the table below.

<b>Column 1</b>	<b>Column 2</b>
<i>Name of the general rating category</i>	<i>Discount period</i>
<i>Town of Quilpie - Residential  Township of Eromanga  Other Rural Towns  Opal Mines  Other  Town of Quilpie - Commercial and Industrial  Mining and Oil Production &lt;5000ha  Mining and Oil Production 5000-10000ha  Mining and Oil Production 10000-20000ha  Mining and Oil Production 20000-50000ha  Mining and Oil Production &gt;50000ha  Oil Distillation/Refining</i>	<i>30 days from the date of the issue of the rates notice</i>
<i>Rural - Grazing and Agriculture  Rural-Pumps, bore sites and communication facilities</i>	<i>60 days from the date of the issue of the rates notice</i>

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Resolution No: (09-07S-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Roger Volz

**Seconded by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**INTEREST**

That pursuant to section 133 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, compound interest on daily rests at the prescribed rate for the day is to be charged on all overdue rates or charges.

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Resolution No: (10-07S-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Roger Volz

**Seconded by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**LEVY AND PAYMENT**

That Council:

(a) Pursuant to section 107 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 and section 114 of the Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990, Council's rates and charges, and the State Government's Emergency Management, Fire and Rescue Levy be levied:

- For the half year 1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020 in August / September 2020; and
- For the half year 1 January 2021 to 30 June 2021 in February / March 2021.

(b) Pursuant to section 118 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, that Council's rates and charges, and the State Government's Emergency Management, Fire and Rescue Levy, be paid within the relevant discount period as detailed in resolution 08-07S-20.

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Resolution No: (11-07S-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**RATES CONCESSIONS**

That Council:

Pursuant to sections 120, 121 and 122 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a rebate of the differential general rate of 50%, up to a total of \$450 per annum be granted to all ratepayers who are pensioners and who are eligible for the State Government pensioner remission.

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Resolution No: (12-07S-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FINANCIAL POSITION**

That Council:

Pursuant to section 205 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the statement of the financial operations and financial position of the Council in respect of the previous financial year ("the Statement of Estimated Financial Position") be received and its contents noted.

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Resolution No: (13-07S-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

**FEES AND CHARGES**

That Council:

Pursuant to section 97(1) of the Local Government Act 2009, fix, for the 2020/2021 financial year, the cost recovery fees set out in the Register of Fees and Charges.

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Resolution No: (14-07S-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**ADOPTION OF BUDGET**

That Council:

Pursuant to section 107A of the Local Government Act 2009 and sections 169 and 170 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council's Budget for the 2020/2021 financial year, incorporating:

- i. The statements of financial position;
- ii. The statements of cash flow;
- iii. The statements of income and expenditure;
- iv. The statements of changes in equity;
- v. The long-term financial forecast;
- vi. The revenue statement;
- vii. The revenue policy;
- viii. The relevant measures of financial sustainability; and
- ix. The total value of the change, expressed as a percentage, in the rates and utility charges levied for the financial year compared with the rates and utility charges levied in the previous budget, as tabled, be adopted.

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There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 10.50am.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true record of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Special Meeting held on Friday, 10 July 2020.

Submitted to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the Friday, 14 August 2020.



Cr Stuart Mackenzie

14/08/20

Date

**Mayor of Quilpie Shire Council**