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MINUTES

**For The
Special Meeting of Council
Held At**

Thursday 6 October 2022

At 6:30pm

Council Chambers
39 Bannister Rd, Boddington

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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING

Shire President, Garry Ventris, declared the meeting open at 6:30pm.

The Shire of Boddington acknowledges the Noongar people as Traditional Custodians and their continuing connection to the land, waters and community. We pay our respects to all members of the Aboriginal communities and their cultures; and to Elders both past and present.

2. ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

2.1 Attendance

Cr Ventris
Cr Erasmus
Cr Lewis
Cr Webster
Cr Ryley

2.2 Apologies

2.3 Leave of Absence

Cr E Schreiber
Cr E Smalberger

3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil

4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Public question time is limited to a total of fifteen minutes of duration, except by consent of the person presiding. Each speaker is limited to three minutes duration to speak, except by consent of the person presiding.

Questions asked at special council meetings must relate to the purpose of the meeting.

5. PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/SUBMISSIONS

Nil

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Nil

7. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

7.1 Budget Amendment Request – Boddington Town Centre Revitalisation

File Reference: 3.000615
Applicant: Nil
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Author: Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Nil

Summary

Council is requested to approve an amendment to the 2022/23 Budget for the Town Centre Revitalisation Project (Masterplan).

Background

The Town Centre Revitalisation Project is a key element of the Council Plan which was adopted in August 2022. Initially the project scope was limited to the main street, being a total length of approximately 500m.



Original Project Scope

This scope of 500 metres was used to prepare budget estimates for the development of the masterplan.

Following several project discussions with Council and the Community Reference Group, a greater project scope was considered, to ensure the project outcome was most beneficial to Boddington in the long term. This project scope increased the total length of the study area to approximately 1400m, being 2.8 times the original length.



Revised Project Scope

Comment

A request for quotation was provided to the market in mid September, with submissions being due on 3 October 2022. All quotations received were significantly over the budget allocation, due to the vast increase in scope.

An additional \$55,000 is required to enable the full scope of the project to proceed. This \$55,000 includes \$30,000 for additional consultant costs specifically for the masterplan, \$10,000 for full site survey costs (a preliminary requirement), and a contingency of \$10,000.

Should Council not wish to allocate further funds, the original project scope can be reinstated.

Consultation

Discussions with the Town Revitalisation Project Community Reference Group have confirmed their endorsement of the revised project scope.

Strategic Implications

Aspiration	Prosperity
Outcome 10	A thriving economy with good access to education and jobs for everyone
Objective 10.2	Revitalise and activate the central business district
Action 10.2.1	Develop a Boddington Town Centre Master Plan to activate and beautify the area

Legislative Implications

Local Government Act 1995.

Section 6.8. Expenditure from municipal fund not included in annual budget

- 1) A local government is not to incur expenditure from its municipal fund for an additional purpose except where the expenditure —

- a) is incurred in a financial year before the adoption of the annual budget by the local government; or
- b) is authorised in advance by resolution*; or
- c) is authorised in advance by the mayor or president in an emergency.

* Absolute majority required.

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

The 2022/23 Budget provides \$74,000 for the masterplan and associated costs.

The additional funds requested are proposed to be sourced from the budgeted transfer to the Public Open Space Reserve. Currently, the Public Open Space Reserve has a balance of \$267,473. A further \$100,000 is budgeted to be transferred into this Reserve in the 2022/23 year, which will result in a 30 June 2023 balance of approximately \$368k.

The recommendation will reduce the transfer to Reserve by \$55,000, resulting in a balance as at 30 June 2023, of approximately \$313,000.

Economic Implications

Nil

Social Implications

Nil

Environmental Considerations

Nil

Risk Considerations

Risk Statement and Consequence	Failure to adequately plan for the full scope of the project may result in a lower quality outcome for the Shire.
Risk Rating (prior to treatment or control)	High
Principal Risk Theme	Reputational
Risk Action Plan (controls or treatment proposed)	No further actions proposed

Options

1. Reduce the scope of the project to encompass only the main street (original scope).
2. Approve the budget amendment to allow master planning for the full project scope.

Voting Requirements

Absolute Majority

Officer Recommendation/Council Decision

COUNCIL RESOLUTION: 110/22

Moved: Cr Webster

That Council:

- 1. Approve additional funding of \$55,000 in the 2022/23 Budget to be allocated to the Boddington Town Centre Revitalisation Project, to accommodate the revised project scope.**
- 2. Approve a reduction in the transfer to the Public Open Space Reserve, from \$100,000 to \$45,000, in the 2022/23 Budget.**

Seconded: Cr Erasmus

Carried: 5/5

8. CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, Cr Garry Ventris, Shire President, declared the meeting closed at 6.37pm.

These minutes were confirmed by the Council as a true and accurate record at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 27 October 2022

GARRY VENTRIS
(Shire President)