

# **MINUTES**

# Special Budget Council Meeting 9 July 2025

# MINUTES OF TORRES SHIRE COUNCIL SPECIAL BUDGET COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, THURSDAY ISLAND ON MONDAY 9 JULY 2025

#### 1 AGENDA CONTENTS

#### 2 ATTENDANCE

Cr Elsie Seriat (Mayor) (via Teams), Cr Toshio Nakata (Deputy Mayor) (via Teams), Cr Gabriel Bani, Dalassa Yorkston (Chief Executive Officer) (via Teams), Edward Kulpa (Executive Manager Projects and Design), Roger Naidoo (Executive Manager Engineering and Infrastructure Services), Karren MacClure (Executive Manager Corporate and Community Services), Dorene Riley (Finance Manager), Claire Alexander and Ethel Mosby (Executive Secretary).

#### 3 MEETING OPENED

The meeting opened with a prayer by Gabriel Bani at 9:14am.

#### 4 APOLOGIES

Cr Thomas Fujii Cr Thomas Loban

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/1**

Moved: Cr Gabriel Bani

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

That Council receive the apology from Cr Thomas Fujii and Cr Thomas Loban.

**CARRIED** 

#### 5 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

On behalf of all Councillors, the Mayor acknowledged the Kaurareg people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet today, and paid respects to their Elders past, present and emerging and the Traditional Owners of Zenadth Kes.

#### 6 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

# 7 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

# RECOMMENDATION

That Council consider the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Regulation s.254J of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*:

# 7.1 Adoption of 2025/2026 Budget

Time: 9.27am

RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/2 Moved: Mayor Elsie Seriat

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

That Council go into In Committee.

**CARRIED** 

**DEPARTURE:** Dorene Riley (Finance Manager) departed the meeting at

9.51am and returned at 9.55am.

Time: 10.17am

**RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/3** 

Moved: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

Seconded: Cr Gabriel Bani

That Council come out of In Committee.

**CARRIED** 

# CORPORATE PLAN 2018 TO 2026 & OPERATIONAL PLAN 2025/26

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/4**

Moved: Cr Gabriel Bani Seconded: Mayor Elsie Seriat

That in accordance with Section 174 (1) and Section 165 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council adopts the following Operational Plan for the year 2025/26 and the Corporate Plan 2018 to 2023 be extended to 2026.

**CARRIED** 

#### **REVENUE POLICY 2025/2026**

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/5**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

Seconded: Cr Gabriel Bani

That in accordance with Sections 169 (2) and 193 of the *Local Government Regulation* 2012, Council adopts the following Revenue Policy for the year 2025/26.

**CARRIED** 

# **REVENUE STATEMENT 2025/2026**

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/6**

Moved: Mayor Elsie Seriat

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

That in accordance with Sections 169 (2) and 172 of the *Local Government Regulation* 2012, Council adopts the following Revenue Statement for the year 2025/26.

**CARRIED** 

## **ADVERTISING POLICY 2025/2026**

#### **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/7**

Moved: Cr Gabriel Bani

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

That in accordance with Section 197 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council adopts the following Advertising Policy for the year 2025/26.

**CARRIED** 

# **DEBT POLICY 2025/2026**

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/8**

Moved: Mayor Elsie Seriat

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

That in accordance with Section 192 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council adopts the following Debt Policy for the year 2025/26.

**CARRIED** 

# **ENTERTAINMENT AND HOSPITALITY POLICY 2025/2026**

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/9**

Moved: Cr Gabriel Bani

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

That in accordance with Section 196 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council adopts the following Entertainment and Hospitality Policy for the year 2025/26.

**CARRIED** 

#### TRAVEL POLICY 2025/2026

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/10**

Moved: Mayor Elsie Seriat Seconded: Cr Gabriel Bani

That in accordance with Section 196 and 250 of the *Local Government Regulation* 2012, Council adopts the following Travel Expenditure Policy for the year 2025/26.

**CARRIED** 

#### **GRANTS POLICY**

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/11**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

Seconded: Cr Gabriel Bani

That in accordance with Section 195 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council adopts the following Grants to Community Organisations Policy for the year 2025/26.

**CARRIED** 

# **INVESTMENT POLICY 2025/2026**

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/12**

Moved: Mayor Elsie Seriat

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

That in accordance with the *Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangements* and Section 191 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council adopts the following Investment Policy for the year 2025/26.

**CARRIED** 

# **PROCUREMENT POLICY 2025/2026**

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/13**

Moved: Mayor Elsie Seriat Seconded: Cr Gabriel Bani

That in accordance with Section 198 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* Council adopts the following Procurement Policy for the year 2025/26.

**CARRIED** 

# **DISCOUNT ON RATES 2025/2026**

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/14**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

Seconded: Cr Gabriel Bani

That in accordance with Section 130 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* that Council resolves to allow a ten percent (10%) discount for payment of differential general rates only if paid on or before thirty days from the date of issue of the rates notice and provided that no other rates and charges are overdue (including any arrears of rates and charges or interest thereon).

**CARRIED** 

# **RATES AND CHARGES LEVIED 2025/2026**

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/15**

Moved: Mayor Elsie Seriat

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

That all Rates and Charges made, levied and imposed for the 2025/26 financial year will be issued in two (2) half-yearly rates and charges levy being for the periods ending 31 August 2025 and 28 February 2026 respectively.

**CARRIED** 

#### **OVERDUE RATES - INTEREST CHARGED 2025/2026**

#### **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/16**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

Seconded: Cr Gabriel Bani

That in accordance with Section 133 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council resolves that (1) Overdue rates will bear interest at the rate of 12.12 % per annum from the date that the rate becomes overdue; and (2) That the amount of interest will be calculated on daily rests, applying the interest as compound interest.

**CARRIED** 

#### **PENSIONER REMISSION**

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/17**

Moved: Mayor Elsie Seriat Seconded: Cr Gabriel Bani

That in accordance with Chapter 4 Part 10, Section 119 of the *Local Government* Regulation 2012 that Council resolves to provide assistance to pensioners by way of a partial remission based on 40% of the general rates and charges (excluding excess water and fire levy) and up to a maximum of \$400 per annum.

**CARRIED** 

#### **RATING CATEGORIES 2025/2026**

#### **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/18**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

Seconded: Cr Gabriel Bani

That the following rating categories, cents in a dollar and minimum general rates and utility charges be adopted for 2025/26 financial year.

	RATE	MIN
CATEGORY	Cents in a dollar	RATE\$

5 - Residential 3 - (Non-owner occupied) 1 unit of use <\$800,000 valuation 7 - Residential 5 - (Non-owner occupied) >=\$800,000 valuation - 1 unit of use 8 - Prince of Wales Island - 1 unit of use 9 - Other Lands - 1 unit of use 1 - O.002451 8 - Prince of Wales Island - 1 unit of use 9 - Other Lands - 1 unit of use 1 - Multi Residential - 1 unit of use 1 - Multi Residential - 2 Units of Use and <\$300,000 valuation 1 - Multi Residential - 2 Units of Use and >=\$300,000 valuation 1 - Multi Residential - 3 Units of Use 1 - Multi Residential - 3 Units of Use 1 - Multi Residential - 3 Units of Use 1 - Multi Residential - 3 Units of Use 2 - Multi Residential - 4 Units of Use 2 - Multi Residential - 4 Units of Use 3 - O.005294 1 - Multi Residential - 5 Units of Use 3 - O.006430 3 - Syet 1 - Multi Residential - 5 Units of Use 4 - O.006430 3 - Syet 1 - Multi Residential - 7 Units of Use 4 - O.006553 5 - Syet 2 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use 4 - O.007653 5 - Syet 2 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use 4 - O.00773 6 - O.00773 7	1 - Vacant Land	0.004271	777
7 - Residential 5 - (Non-owner occupied) >=\$800,000 valuation - 1 unit of use       0.006013       5,74*         8 - Prince of Wales Island - 1 unit of use       0.002496       458         9 - Other Lands - 1 unit of use       0.000514       327         11 - Multi Residential - 2 Units of Use       0.004881       798         12 - Multi Residential - 2 Units of Use and <\$300,000 valuation	3 - Residential 1 - (Owner occupied) 1 unit of use	0.003977	777
8 - Prince of Wales Island - 1 unit of use 9 - Other Lands - 1 unit of use 10 - 000514 32: 11 - Multi Residential - 1 unit of use 21 - Multi Residential - 2 Units of Use and ≤\$300,000 valuation 32: 33 - Multi Residential - 2 Units of Use and ≥=\$300,000 valuation 34 - Multi Residential - 3 Units of Use and ≥=\$300,000 valuation 35 - Multi Residential - 3 Units of Use 36 - Multi Residential - 3 Units of Use 37 - Multi Residential - 4 Units of Use 38 - Multi Residential - 5 Units of Use 39 - Multi Residential - 6 Units of Use 30 - 0006430 30 - 900 30 - 900 - 9000653 30 - 90006533 30 - 900006533 30 - 900006533 30 - 900006533 30 - 9000006533 30 - 90000000000000000000000000000000000	5 - Residential 3 - (Non-owner occupied) 1 unit of use <\$800,000 valuation	0.004689	836
9 - Other Lands - 1 unit of use  11 - Multi Residential - 1 unit of use  12 - Multi Residential - 2 Units of Use and <\$300,000 valuation  13 - Multi Residential - 2 Units of Use and >=\$300,000 valuation  13 - Multi Residential - 3 Units of Use  14 - Multi Residential - 3 Units of Use  15 - Multi Residential - 4 Units of Use  16 - Multi Residential - 5 Units of Use  17 - Multi Residential - 5 Units of Use  18 - Multi Residential - 5 Units of Use  19 - Multi Residential - 7 Units of Use  10 - 0.006455  19 - Multi Residential - 7 Units of Use  10 - Multi Residential - 7 Units of Use  10 - Multi Residential - 8 Units of Use  10 - Multi Residential - 10 Units of Use  10 - Multi Residential - 10 Units of Use  10 - Multi Residential - 10 Units of Use  10 - Multi Residential - 10 Units of Use  11 - Multi Residential - 10 Units of Use  12 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use  13 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use  14 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use  15 - Multi Residential - 10 Units of Use  16 - Multi Residential - 10 Units of Use  17 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use  18 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use  19 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use  20 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use  21 - Multi Residential - 10 Units of Use  22 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use  23 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$500,000 valuation  24 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$500,000 valuation  25 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use  26 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use  27 - Units of Use  28 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$600,000 valuation  29 - Valuation	7 - Residential 5 - (Non-owner occupied) >=\$800,000 valuation - 1 unit of use	0.006013	5,741
11 - Multi Residential - 1 unit of use 12 - Multi Residential - 2 Units of Use and <\$300,000 valuation 13 - Multi Residential - 2 Units of Use and >=\$300,000 valuation 14 - Multi Residential - 3 Units of Use 15 - Multi Residential - 3 Units of Use 16 - Multi Residential - 4 Units of Use 17 - Multi Residential - 5 Units of Use 18 - Multi Residential - 6 Units of Use 19 - Multi Residential - 6 Units of Use 20 - Multi Residential - 7 Units of Use 21 - Multi Residential - 7 Units of Use 22 - Multi Residential - 8 Units of Use 23 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use 24 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use 25 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use 26 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use 27 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use 28 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use 29 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use 20 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use 21 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use 22 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use 23 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and ≤\$500,000 valuation 36 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and ≥=\$500,000 valuation 37 - Commercial - 2 Units of Use 38 - Commercial - 2 Units of Use 39 - Commercial - 3 Units of Use 30 - Commercial - 4 Unit of Use and ≥=\$600,000 valuation 30 - Commercial - 4 Unit of Use and ≥=\$600,000 valuation 30 - Commercial - 5 Units of Use 30 - Commercial - 5 Unit of Use 30 - Commercial - 5 Unit of Use 30 - Commercial - 5 Unit of Use 30 - Commercial - 6 Units of Use 30 - Commercial - 7 Units of Use 30 - Commercial - 9 Units of Use 3	8 - Prince of Wales Island - 1 unit of use	0.002496	458
12 - Multi Residential - 2 Units of Use and <\$300,000 valuation 13 - Multi Residential - 2 Units of Use and >=\$300,000 valuation 14 - Multi Residential - 3 Units of Use 15 - Multi Residential - 4 Units of Use 16 - Multi Residential - 5 Units of Use 17 - Multi Residential - 5 Units of Use 18 - Multi Residential - 6 Units of Use 19 - Multi Residential - 7 Units of Use 20 - Multi Residential - 7 Units of Use 21 - Multi Residential - 8 Units of Use 22 - Multi Residential - 8 Units of Use 23 - Multi Residential - 8 Units of Use 24 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use 25 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use 26 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use 27 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use 28 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use 29 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use 20 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use 21 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use 22 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use 23 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$500,000 valuation 29 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$500,000 valuation 30 - Commercial - 2 Units of Use 31 - Commercial - 2 Units of Use 32 - Commercial - 3 Units of Use 33 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use 34 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use 35 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use 36 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use 37 - Other Commercial 40 - Units of Use and >=\$600,000 valuation 40 - Units of Use and >=\$600,000 valuation 40 - Units of Use 40 - Units of Use 41 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$600,000 valuation 42 - Industry - 2 Unit of Use 43 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use 44 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use 45 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use 46 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use 47 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use 48 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use 49 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use 40 - O.005555 40 - Mining Lease 6 - 50 FTE onsite personnel 40 - 9500 - 500,000 55 - Mining Lease 10 - 200 FTE onsite personnel 50 - Mining Lease 201 - 400 FTE onsite personnel 50 - Mining Lease 201 - 500 FTE onsite personnel 50 - Mining Lease 201 - 500 FTE onsite personnel 50 - Mining Le	9 - Other Lands - 1 unit of use	0.000514	327
13 - Multi Residential - 2 Units of Use and >=\$300,000 valuation  14 - Multi Residential - 3 Units of Use  15 - Multi Residential - 4 Units of Use  16 - Multi Residential - 5 Units of Use  17 - Multi Residential - 5 Units of Use  18 - Multi Residential - 6 Units of Use  19 - Multi Residential - 7 Units of Use  10 - 0004655  17 - Multi Residential - 8 Units of Use  10 - 0005653  15 - 593  18 - Multi Residential - 8 Units of Use  10 - 0008739  10 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use  10 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use  20 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use  21 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use  22 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use  23 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use  24 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use  25 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use  26 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and ≤\$500,000 valuation  27 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$500,000 valuation  28 - Commercial - 2 Units of Use  39 - Commercial - 3 Units of Use  30 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use  30 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use  31 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use  32 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use  33 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use  34 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use  35 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use  36 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use  37 - Other Commercial  38 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use and <\$600,000 valuation  39 - 42 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$600,000 valuation  40 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use  41 - Industry - 3 Unit of Use  42 - Industry - 3 Unit of Use  43 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  44 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  45 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  46 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  47 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  48 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  49 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  40 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  41 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  42 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  43 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  44 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  45 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  46 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  47 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  48 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  49 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use  40	11 - Multi Residential - 1 unit of use	0.004881	799
14 - Multi Residential - 3 Units of Use	12 - Multi Residential - 2 Units of Use and <\$300,000 valuation	0.005803	1,602
15 - Multi Residential - 4 Units of Use 0.005152 3,198 16 - Multi Residential - 5 Units of Use 0.006430 3,998 17 - Multi Residential - 6 Units of Use 0.004655 4,793 18 - Multi Residential - 7 Units of Use 0.005653 5,598 19 - Multi Residential - 8 Units of Use 0.008739 6,398 20 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use 0.011994 7,198 21 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use 0.008737 13,588 22 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use 0.020405 23,178 31 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and <\$500,000 valuation 0.005130 798 32 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$500,000 valuation 0.005366 3,548 33 - Commercial - 2 Units of Use 0.005366 9,398 34 - Commercial - 3 Units of Use 0.005569 1,398 36 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use 0.005569 1,398 37 - Other Commercial 0.005569 3,198 37 - Other Commercial 0.005569 1,988 37 - Other Commercial 0.005569 1,988 37 - Unit of Use and <\$600,000 valuation 0.005582 798 42 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$600,000 valuation 0.005439 3,826 43 - Industry - 2 Unit of Use 0.005555 1,602 45 - Industry - 3 Unit of Use 0.005470 3,996 45 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use 0.005470 3,996 51 - Extractive >5,000 Tonnes 0.05500 10,000 52 - Mining Lease <5 FTE onsite personnel 0.9500 50,000 54 - Mining Lease 51-100 FTE onsite personnel 0.9500 50,000 55 - Mining Lease 201-300 FTE onsite personnel 0.9500 300,000 56 - Mining Lease 301-400 FTE onsite personnel 0.9500 500,000 57 - Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel 0.9500 500,000	13 - Multi Residential - 2 Units of Use and >=\$300,000 valuation	0.005267	1,871
16 - Multi Residential - 5 Units of Use 0.006430 3,996 17 - Multi Residential - 6 Units of Use 0.004655 4,793 18 - Multi Residential - 7 Units of Use 0.00553 5,598 19 - Multi Residential - 8 Units of Use 0.008739 6,396 20 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use 0.011994 7,196 21 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use 0.008737 13,588 22 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use 0.020405 23,178 31 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and <\$500,000 valuation 0.005130 798 32 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$500,000 valuation 0.005366 3,548 33 - Commercial - 2 Units of Use 0.005397 1,602 34 - Commercial - 3 Units of Use 0.005397 1,603 34 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use 0.005669 2,393 36 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use 0.005669 3,198 37 - Other Commercial 0.005130 798 41 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use and <\$600,000 valuation 0.005439 3,826 42 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$600,000 valuation 0.005439 3,826 43 - Industry - 2 Unit of Use 0.005555 1,602 45 - Industry - 3 Unit of Use 0.005470 3,996 47 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use 0.005470 3,996 51 - Extractive >5,000 Tonnes 0.09500 50,000 52 - Mining Lease <5 FTE onsite personnel 0.9500 50,000 54 - Mining Lease 51-100 FTE onsite personnel 0.9500 200,000 55 - Mining Lease 201-300 FTE onsite personnel 0.9500 300,000 56 - Mining Lease 201-300 FTE onsite personnel 0.9500 500,000 57 - Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel 0.9500 500,000 58 - Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel 0.9500 500,000	14 - Multi Residential - 3 Units of Use	0.005294	2,397
17 - Multi Residential - 6 Units of Use       0.004655       4,793         18 - Multi Residential - 7 Units of Use       0.005653       5,593         19 - Multi Residential - 8 Units of Use       0.008739       6,396         20 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use       0.011994       7,196         21 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use       0.008737       13,588         22 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use       0.020405       23,178         31 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and <\$500,000 valuation	15 - Multi Residential - 4 Units of Use	0.005152	3,198
18 - Multi Residential - 7 Units of Use       0.005653       5,595         19 - Multi Residential - 8 Units of Use       0.008739       6,396         20 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use       0.011994       7,196         21 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use       0.008737       13,588         22 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use       0.020405       23,176         31 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and <\$500,000 valuation	16 - Multi Residential - 5 Units of Use	0.006430	3,996
19 - Multi Residential - 8 Units of Use 20 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use 21 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use 21 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use 22 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use 23 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use 31 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and <\$500,000 valuation 32 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$500,000 valuation 33 - Commercial - 2 Units of Use 34 - Commercial - 3 Units of Use 36 - Commercial - 3 Units of Use 37 - Other Commercial 38 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use 39 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use 30 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use 31 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use and <\$600,000 valuation 32 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use and <\$600,000 valuation 33 - Other Commercial 34 - Industry - 2 Unit of Use 35 - Industry - 2 Unit of Use 36 - Industry - 3 Unit of Use 37 - Industry - 3 Unit of Use 38 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use 39 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use 30 - Other Commercial 30 - Other Commercial 31 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use 32 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use 33 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use 34 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use 35 - Mining Lease <5 FTE onsite personnel 36 - Mining Lease 51 - 100 FTE onsite personnel 37 - Mining Lease 51 - 100 FTE onsite personnel 38 - Mining Lease 201 - 300 FTE onsite personnel 39 - Mining Lease 201 - 300 FTE onsite personnel 30 - 9500   0.9500   0	17 - Multi Residential - 6 Units of Use	0.004655	4,793
20 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use       0.011994       7,196         21 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use       0.008737       13,586         22 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use       0.020405       23,176         31 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and <\$500,000 valuation	18 - Multi Residential - 7 Units of Use	0.005653	5,595
21 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use       0.008737       13,588         22 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use       0.020405       23,178         31 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and <\$500,000 valuation	19 - Multi Residential - 8 Units of Use	0.008739	6,396
22 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use       0.020405       23,176         31 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and <\$500,000 valuation	20 - Multi Residential - 9 Units of Use	0.011994	7,196
31 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and <\$500,000 valuation	21 - Multi Residential - 10 to 19 (inclusive) Units of Use	0.008737	13,589
32 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$500,000 valuation  3. Commercial - 2 Units of Use  3. Commercial - 3 Units of Use  3. Commercial - 3 Units of Use  3. Commercial - 4 Units of Use  3. Commercial - 4 Units of Use  3. Commercial - 4 Units of Use  3. Other Commercial  4. Industry - 1 Unit of Use and <\$600,000 valuation  4. Industry - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$600,000 valuation  4. Industry - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$600,000 valuation  4. Industry - 2 Unit of Use  4. Industry - 3 Unit of Use  4. Industry - 3 Unit of Use  4. Industry - 5 Unit of Use  4. Industry - 5 Unit of Use  5. Mining Lease < 5 FTE onsite personnel  5. Mining Lease 51-100 FTE onsite personnel  5. Mining Lease 51-100 FTE onsite personnel  6. Mining Lease 201-300 FTE onsite personnel  7. Mining Lease 301-400 FTE onsite personnel  8. Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel  9. 0.9500 500,000  9. Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel  9. 0.9500 500,000  9. Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel  9. 0.9500 500,000  9. Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel  9. 0.9500 500,000  9. Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel  9. 0.9500 500,000  9. Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel  9. 0.9500 500,000  9. Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel  9. 0.9500 500,000  9. Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel  9. 0.9500 500,000	22 - Multi Residential - 20 or more Units of Use	0.020405	23,178
33 - Commercial - 2 Units of Use       0.005397       1,602         34 - Commercial - 3 Units of Use       0.005869       2,397         36 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use       0.005569       3,198         37 - Other Commercial       0.005130       798         41 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use and <\$600,000 valuation	31 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and <\$500,000 valuation	0.005130	799
34 - Commercial - 3 Units of Use       0.005869       2,393         36 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use       0.005569       3,198         37 - Other Commercial       0.005130       798         41 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use and <\$600,000 valuation	32 - Commercial - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$500,000 valuation	0.005366	3,545
36 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use       0.005569       3,198         37 - Other Commercial       0.005130       798         41 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use and <\$600,000 valuation	33 - Commercial - 2 Units of Use	0.005397	1,602
37 - Other Commercial       0.005130       799         41 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use and <\$600,000 valuation	34 - Commercial - 3 Units of Use	0.005869	2,397
41 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use and <\$600,000 valuation	36 - Commercial - 4 Units of Use	0.005569	3,198
42 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$600,000 valuation       0.005439       3,826         43 - Industry - 2 Unit of Use       0.005555       1,602         45 - Industry - 3 Unit of Use       0.006116       2,397         47 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use       0.005470       3,996         51 - Extractive >5,000 Tonnes       0.9500       10,000         52 - Mining Lease < 5 FTE onsite personnel	37 - Other Commercial	0.005130	799
43 - Industry - 2 Unit of Use       0.005555       1,602         45 - Industry - 3 Unit of Use       0.006116       2,397         47 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use       0.005470       3,996         51 - Extractive >5,000 Tonnes       0.9500       10,000         52 - Mining Lease < 5 FTE onsite personnel	41 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use and <\$600,000 valuation	0.005882	799
45 - Industry - 3 Unit of Use       0.006116       2,397         47 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use       0.005470       3,996         51 - Extractive >5,000 Tonnes       0.9500       10,000         52 - Mining Lease < 5 FTE onsite personnel	42 - Industry - 1 Unit of Use and >=\$600,000 valuation	0.005439	3,826
47 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use       0.005470       3,996         51 - Extractive >5,000 Tonnes       0.9500       10,000         52 - Mining Lease < 5 FTE onsite personnel	43 - Industry - 2 Unit of Use	0.005555	1,602
51 - Extractive >5,000 Tonnes       0.9500       10,000         52 - Mining Lease < 5 FTE onsite personnel	45 - Industry - 3 Unit of Use	0.006116	2,397
52 - Mining Lease < 5 FTE onsite personnel	47 - Industry - 5 Unit of Use	0.005470	3,996
53 - Mining Lease 6-50 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       50,000         54 - Mining Lease 51-100 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       100,000         55 - Mining Lease 101-200 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       200,000         56 - Mining Lease 201-300 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       300,000         57 - Mining Lease 301-400 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       400,000         58 - Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       500,000	51 - Extractive >5,000 Tonnes	0.9500	10,000
54 - Mining Lease 51-100 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       100,000         55 - Mining Lease 101-200 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       200,000         56 - Mining Lease 201-300 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       300,000         57 - Mining Lease 301-400 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       400,000         58 - Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       500,000	52 - Mining Lease < 5 FTE onsite personnel		550
55 - Mining Lease 101-200 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       200,000         56 - Mining Lease 201-300 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       300,000         57 - Mining Lease 301-400 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       400,000         58 - Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       500,000	53 - Mining Lease 6-50 FTE onsite personnel	0.9500	50,000
56 - Mining Lease 201-300 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       300,000         57 - Mining Lease 301-400 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       400,000         58 - Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       500,000	54 - Mining Lease 51-100 FTE onsite personnel		100,000
57 - Mining Lease 301-400 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       400,000         58 - Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel       0.9500       500,000	55 - Mining Lease 101-200 FTE onsite personnel	0.9500	200,000
58 - Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel 0.9500 500,000	56 - Mining Lease 201-300 FTE onsite personnel	0.9500	300,000
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	57 - Mining Lease 301-400 FTE onsite personnel	0.9500	400,000
59 - Mining Lease 500+ FTE onsite personnel 0.9500 600,000	58 - Mining Lease 401-500 FTE onsite personnel	0.9500	500,000
	59 - Mining Lease 500+ FTE onsite personnel	0.9500	600,000

# **Utilities Charges**

Utilities charges for the year ended 30 June 2026 are shown below.

Garbage	Charges
---------	---------

Domestic Garbage	\$1,134	per unit
Prince of Wales Dump	\$269	per unit
Prince of Wales Garbage collection	\$1,134	per unit
Commercial Garbage A	\$1,658	per unit
Commercial Garbage B	\$2,831	per unit
Commercial Garbage C	\$4,040	per unit

# **Sewerage Charges**

Sewerage TI and HI	\$951	per annum
Vacant Land	\$552	per unit

**Water Charges** 

Unit rate all classes	\$1,076	per annum
Vacant Land	\$812	per annum
Excess Water for next 350 kilolitres consumed	\$2.40	per kilolitre
Excess Water for excess over 350 kilolitres	\$4.93	per kilolitre
Water Shipping	\$6.85	per kilolitre
Hammond Island water first tier (up to and including 750 kilolitres by number of connections)	\$2.75	per kilolitre
Hammond Island Water second tier (water usage in excess of 750 kilolitres by number of connections)	\$4.93	per kilolitre

**CARRIED** 

# **BUDGET FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2026/2028**

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/19**

Moved: Cr Gabriel Bani Seconded: Mayor Elsie Seriat

That in accordance with Section 169 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* Council adopt the Budget Financial Statements for the 2025/26 financial year and the following two years.

**CARRIED** 

# **LONG TERM FINANCIAL FORECAST 2026/2035**

#### **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/20**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

Seconded: Mayor Elsie Seriat

That in accordance with Section 169 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* Council adopt the 2026-2035 long term financial forecast.

**CARRIED** 

#### FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY RATIOS/MEASURES

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/21**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

Seconded: Cr Gabriel Bani

That in accordance with Section 169 (5) and (6) of the *Local Government Regulation* 2012 Council adopt the relevant measures of financial sustainability.

**CARRIED** 

# **EXEMPT GENERAL RATES ORGANISATIONS – 2025/2026**

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/22**

Moved: Mayor Elsie Seriat Seconded: Cr Gabriel Bani

That Council resolves to exempt the listed below Organisations from the payment of general rates under Section 93 (3)(h), (i) and (j) of the *Local Government Act 2009* and the *Local Government Regulation 2012* Chapter 4 Part 2, Section 73

Rate Assess	Owner	Address	Land Use
	Church of Jesus Christ & the	6 Stephen St Thursday	
000280-0000-000	Latter Day Saints	Island	Church
		45 Loban Road Thursday	
00266-00000-000	Assemblies of God	Island	Church & Manse
	Roman Catholic Archdiocese		
00382-00000-000	of Cairns	42 Outie St Wasaga	Church
			Church, Manse, Hall,
	Roman Catholic Archdiocese	120 Douglas St Thursday	Monastery, School &
00074-99000-000	of Cairns	Island	School Accom.
	Church of Torres Strait &	14A Stephen St Thursday	
00272-50000-001	Kaiwalagal	Island	Church
			Church, Manse, Hall,
	Diocese of Carpentaria	124 Douglas St Thursday	Bishop & Priest
00074-95000-000	(Anglican)	Island	Residence
	Diocese of Carpentaria		
00336-00000-000	(Anglican)	17 Wees St Wasaga	Church
00128-90000-000	Full Gospel Church	44 John St Thursday Island	Church

		15 Nazeer St Thursday	
00302-00000-000	Jehovah's Witnesses Inc.	Island	Church & Manse
		10 Aubrey Parade	Women/Children
00284-00000-000	Lena Passi Shelter	Thursday Island	refuge centre
	Torres Strait Home for the	121 Waiben Esplanade	
00331-90000-000	Aged	Thursday Island	Aged Home
		1 Nazeer St Thursday	
00296-00000-000	Torres Strait Kaziw Meta Inc.	Island	Student Hostel
		114 Douglas St Thursday	
00076-00000-000	The Uniting Church	Island	Church & Hall
		60 Douglas St Thursday	
00003-20000-000	Aboriginal Hostels	Island	Hostel
		145 Douglas St Thursday	
00123-18000-000	Aboriginal Hostels	Island	Student Hostel

**CARRIED** 

# FEES AND CHARGES 2025/2026

## **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/23**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

Seconded: Cr Gabriel Bani

That in accordance with Sections 97, 98, 262 (3) and 280 (2) (d) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council adopt the Schedule of Regulatory Fees & Commercial Charges 2025/26.

**CARRIED** 

#### **CHANGE IN RATES AND CHARGES 2025/2026**

#### **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/24**

Moved: Mayor Elsie Seriat Seconded: Cr Gabriel Bani

That in accordance with Sections 169 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council adopt 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. For the financial year 2025/26 the change is 4.5%.

**CARRIED** 

# **ESTIMATED FINANCIAL POSITION 2024/2025**

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/25**

Moved: Cr Gabriel Bani Seconded: Mayor Elsie Seriat

That pursuant to Section 205 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Statement of Estimated Financial Position for the previous financial year be received and its contents noted.

**CARRIED** 

#### SIGNIFICANT BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

#### **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/26**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

Seconded: Cr Gabriel Bani

That in accordance with Sections 19 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and Section 43 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council adopts the result of the significant business activity assessment.

CARRIED

#### **CODE OF COMPETITIVE CONDUCT**

#### **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/27**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Toshio Nakata

Seconded: Cr Gabriel Bani

That in accordance with Sections 39 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and Section 47 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council adopt to not apply the Code of Competitive Conduct for its business type activities for 2025/26. Given the level of expenditure in the business activities and the little or no competition for the services' provision, Council's sees no public benefit in applying the Code of Competitive Conduct at this time.

CARRIED

# **ESTIMATED ACTIVITY STATEMENT 2025/2026**

# **RECOMMENDATION Min. SB25/7/28**

Moved: Cr Gabriel Bani Seconded: Mayor Elsie Seriat

That in accordance with Sections 34 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* Council adopt the estimated activity statement for its business type activities for 2025/26.

**CARRIED** 

**CLOSURE:** The meeting closed with a prayer by Cr Gabriel Bani at 10.26am.

Confirmed this day of

**MAYOR**