



MELTON CITY COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting of the
Melton City Council
held via a videoconference
on 16 November 2020**

**Kelvin Tori
CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MELTON CITY COUNCIL HELD VIA A VIDEOCONFERENCE ON 16 NOVEMBER 2020 AT 7.00PM

Present: Cr S Abboushi
Cr L Carli
Cr M Deeming
Cr G Kesic
Cr K Majdlik
Cr S Ramsey
Cr J Shannon
Cr B Turner
Cr A Vandenberg

Mr K Tori, Chief Executive Officer
Mr P Bean, General Manager Corporate Services
Mr M Heaney, General Manager Community Services
Ms L J Mellan, Executive Manager Property & Projects
Ms C Denyer, Manager Legal & Governance
Mr J Whitfield, Governance Coordinator

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

The Chief Executive Officer, Mr Kelvin Tori, declared the meeting open.

2. OPENING PRAYER AND RECONCILIATION STATEMENT

The Chief Executive Officer, Mr Kelvin Tori, read the opening prayer and reconciliation statement.

3. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

4. OFFICE OF DEPUTY MAYOR

The Chief Executive Officer called for a Motion to either establish an office of Deputy Mayor or not establish an office of Deputy Mayor.

Motion

Crs Majdlik/Abboushi

That the Council establish an office of Deputy Mayor.

CARRIED

Cr Abboushi called for a division thereby setting aside the vote.

For:

Crs Abboushi, Carli, Deeming, Kesic, Majdlik, Ramsey, Shannon, Turner and Vandenberg.

Against:

Nil

The Chief Executive Officer declared the Motion CARRIED

5. MAYORAL TERM

The Chief Executive Officer called for a Motion on the Mayoral term; either 1 or 2 years.

Motion

Crs Kesic/Ramsey

That the Mayoral term be set as one year.

CARRIED

Cr Ramsey called for a division thereby setting aside the vote.

For:

Crs Abboushi, Carli, Deeming, Kesic, Majdlik, Ramsey, Shannon, Turner and Vandenberg.

Against:

Nil

The Chief Executive Officer declared the Motion CARRIED

6. ALTERATION OF THE GOVERNANCE RULES FOR THE ELECTION OF THE MAYOR AND, IF DETERMINED, THE DEPUTY MAYOR

The Chief Executive Officer advised Council that due to the meeting being held via a videoconference rather than in person, that nomination forms for the election of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor cannot be handed up as required by the Governance Rules.

That being the case, the Chief Executive Officer invited Council to move a Procedural Motion to suspend its Governance Rules.

RECOMMENDATION:

Procedural Motion

That as Council is conducting its meeting via a videoconference, it suspend its Governance Rules regarding nominations for Mayor and, if determined the Deputy Mayor, to not require written nominations but verbal nominations only.

Procedural Motion

Crs Carli/Turner

That as Council is conducting its meeting via a videoconference, it suspend its Governance Rules regarding nominations for Mayor and Deputy Mayor to not require written nominations but verbal nominations only.

CARRIED

7. ELECTION OF MAYOR

The Chief Executive Officer called for nominations for the office of Mayor.

Cr Majdlik was nominated by **Cr Kesic**.

The Chief Executive Officer, Mr Kelvin Tori, called for a seconder for this nomination.

Cr Majdlik's nomination was seconded by **Cr Carli**.

The Chief Executive Officer asked **Cr Majdlik** if she accepts the nomination and **Cr Majdlik** confirmed that she does.

The Chief Executive Officer called for further nominations for the office of Mayor.

There being no further nominations, the Chief Executive Officer declared **Cr Majdlik** elected as Mayor of the City of Melton for the 2020/21 municipal year.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12pm to allow the Mayor, Cr Majdlik to don the mayoral robe and chain

The meeting resumed at 7:17pm.

Upon resumption of the meeting the Chief Executive Officer handed the Chair to the newly elected Mayor, Cr Majdlik.

8. ADDRESS BY THE MAYOR

The Mayor, Cr Majdlik, addressed the meeting.

9. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR, IF REQUIRED

The Mayor called for nominations for the office of Deputy Mayor.

Cr Kesic was nominated by the Mayor, **Cr Majdlik**.

The Mayor called for a seconder for this nomination.

Cr Kesic' nomination was seconded by **Cr Shannon**

The Mayor asked **Cr Kesic** if he accepts the nomination and **Cr Kesic** confirmed that he does.

The Mayor called for further nominations for the office of Deputy Mayor.

There being no further nominations, the Mayor declared **Cr Kesic** elected as Deputy Mayor of the City of Melton for the 2020/21 municipal year.

CARRIED

10. ADDRESS BY THE DEPUTY MAYOR

The Deputy Mayor, Cr Kesic addressed the meeting.

Councillors Ramsey, Carli, Turner, Abboushi, Shannon, Vandenberg and Deeming each congratulated the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor on their election to their respective office.

11. COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE 2021

The Mayor, Cr Majdlik, asked for a Motion in regard to the Council Meeting Schedule 2021 and noted that an Officer Recommendation had been prepared.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. adopt the following Council Meeting Schedule dates and locations for 2021 with all meetings to commence at 7.00pm

Date	Location
Monday 8 February 2021	Melton Civic Centre
Monday 15 March 2021	Melton Civic Centre
Monday 12 April 2021	Melton Civic Centre
Monday 10 May 2021	Melton Civic Centre
Monday 7 June 2021	Melton Civic Centre
Monday 28 June 2021	Melton Civic Centre
Monday 2 August 2021	Melton Civic Centre
Monday 30 August 2021	Melton Civic Centre
Monday 27 September 2021	Melton Civic Centre
Monday 25 October 2021	Melton Civic Centre
Thursday 4 November 2021*	Melton Civic Centre
Monday 22 November 2021	Melton Civic Centre
Monday 13 December 2021	Melton Civic Centre

* Meeting for the election of the Mayor and, if determined, the Deputy Mayor (not required if a 2 year Mayoral term determined) and setting the 2022 Council Meeting Schedule

2. delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to change the location of the Council meetings held on or before 26 April 2021 to videoconference in consideration of the known COVID-19 risks, any relevant government Directions and the best information available at the time.

Motion:

Crs Abboushi/Turner

That the report recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

12. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Mayor closed the meeting 7:34pm.

Confirmed

Dated this

.....CHAIRPERSON