

MINUTES

Special Council Meeting City of Joondalup

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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF JOONDALUP
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, JOONDALUP CIVIC CENTRE,
BOAS AVENUE, JOONDALUP

MEETING DATE



TUESDAY, 25 JULY 2006



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DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 1804 hrs.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

Nil.

ATTENDANCES

Mayor:

T PICKARD

Councillors:

Cr K HOLLYWOOD	North Ward	
Cr T McLEAN	North Ward	
Cr A JACOB	North-Central Ward	
Cr S MAGYAR	North-Central Ward	
Cr J PARK	Central Ward	
Cr G AMPHLETT	Central Ward	
Cr M EVANS	South-West Ward	<i>from 1806 hrs</i>
Cr S HART	South-East Ward	
Cr B CORR	South-East Ward	
Cr R FISHWICK	South Ward	
Cr R CURRIE	South Ward	

Officers:

Chief Executive Officer	G HUNT
Acting Director, Planning and Community Development	C TERELINCK
Director, Corporate Services:	M TIDY
Director, Infrastructure Services:	D DJULBIC
Acting Director, Governance & Strategy:	M SMITH
Manager Financial Services:	S HAFEZ
Media Advisor:	L BRENNAN
Administrative Services Co-ordinator:	J HARRISON
Administrative Secretary:	L TAYLOR

There were 14 members of the Public and 1 member of the Press in attendance.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

(Please Note: Section 7(4)(b) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 states that a Council at a special meeting is not required to answer a question that does not relate to the purpose of the meeting. It is requested that only questions that relate to items on the agenda be asked.)

The following questions were submitted in writing prior to the Special Council meeting on 25 July 2006:

Mr M Sideris, Mullaloo:

Q1 *Can you advise why the Budget papers were only published and made available Public late Friday 24th, giving the community and ratepayers no notice or time to review and provide effective and proper comment on the proposed forthcoming Budget.*

A1 The Strategic Financial Plan, or Plan for the Future, is a document which is released for public comment in relation to five-year budget strategies, in compliance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995. The Council, on 26 April 2006 resolved to release the plan for public comment, which is the preliminary document to the development of the detailed budget papers. It is usual practice for the City to hold a special meeting of the Council for the adoption of the budget. The special meeting was called after considerable interaction with the elected members and the agenda papers were made available to the public from 5.00 pm on Friday 21 July 2006 on the City's website and subsequently in libraries and customer service areas. This is in line with past practice.

Q2 *Can you advise:*

Q2(a) *Why the 3rd highest Capital Works project namely the procurement of Lot 6 Lawley Court (a Business Plan currently out for public comment) is being funded out of Reserves set aside for Asset Replacement and not out of Cash in Lieu Reserves generated out Car Parking Policy 7.10 (formerly 3.1.12)?*

A2(a) Lot 6 Lawley Court is within the City Centre boundary. Policy 7.10 and the relevant reserve fund do not apply to the City Centre. There is a separate Joondalup City Centre Public Parking Reserve but this only has a small balance insufficient for this purpose.

Q2(b) *Where is the money obtained by the Cash in Lieu Policy?*

A2(b) Money for cash in lieu of parking comes from developers in circumstances where Council agrees to accept it as part of a development approval.

Q2(c) *What is the cash in lieu contribution collected for each financial year 02/03, 03/04, 04/05 and 05/06?*

Q2(d) *What were the residual Cash in Lieu Reserves for each of the above financial years?*

A2(c&d) Assuming the questions relate to the cash in lieu reserve relating to the Joondalup City Centre, the following applies in response to both questions (c) and (d):

	Collection	Used	Balance
02/03	\$ 35,895	\$439,246	\$ 52,022
03/04	\$177,100		\$229,122
04/05	\$ 8,100		\$237,222
05/06	\$ 97,200		\$334,422

Q2(e) *What are the projected annual returns (with identified breakeven point and nett benefit) over the next 5 years for this specific Capital Works project?*

A2(e) Initially the purchase represents a strategic investment. There is an encumbrance on the property but this will be removed after a number of years, significantly increasing its value. It is expected that in the future the Council will need to consider paid parking within the City centre which if introduced will make this property a significant potential revenue stream. While this was canvassed in the report to Council, as no decision has yet been made on paid parking this simply represents future potential at this point.

The following questions were submitted verbally at the meeting; a summary of each question and the response given is shown below:

Mr D Davies, Connolly:

A question raised by Mr D Davies, Connolly was ruled out of order by the Mayor as it did not relate to the purpose of the meeting.

Cr Evans entered the Chamber, the time being 1806 hrs.

Mr M Caiacob, Mullaloo:

Q1 *With an increase in employee costs of approximately 24% from 2003/04 budget to 2006/07 budget, could I please be advised of how many additional staff this relates to and where they have been deployed?*

A1 With respect to the 2005/06 period, there was no increase in the staff establishment. In the staff establishment proposed to go forward, which is approximately 500 people, the increase is three.

Q2 *Do the Councillors have mobile phones? If so:*

- *What is the budget allowance? and*
- *Why have the Councillors' mobile numbers not been made available to the public?*

A2 Elected Members receive a telecommunication allowance of \$2,400 per annum. Elected Members are available on mobile phone numbers, with the majority of numbers reflected on their business cards.

Q3 *Will Elected Members' contact numbers be listed on the City's website for the general public?*

A3 That is a determination for individual Elected Members.

Mr M Sideris, Mullaloo:

- *Mr Sideris sought clarification with respect to some of the responses given to questions he had submitted prior to this evening's meeting. Mr Pickard suggested Mr Sideris contact him to arrange a meeting where the responses provided can be discussed.*

Re: Attachment 9, Page 15 of 18 – Cash in Lieu of Car Parking

Q1 *I note there are effectively three types of car parking identified with respect to cash-in-lieu – Joondalup City Centre car bays, Standard District Centres (industrial/commercial) car bays and beachfront commercial car bays. Indications are that the fees are being increased. On what basis were the fees reviewed and escalated by 10%?*

A1 The cash-in-lieu for car parking was designated by a special decision of the Council, recognising the three specific areas referred to. The proposed figures are before GST. The figures referred to by Mr Sideris are inclusive of GST. The figures have not changed from those originally adopted by the Council.

Q2 *In relation to cash-in-lieu, why were the cash-in-lieu values not reviewed in accordance with the decision of CJ056-04/06 which called for an annual review to be undertaken, with the details of the annual review to be considered and submitted to the next budget session, which I believe this evening is?*

A2 The cash-in-lieu figures were reviewed as part of the budget process. The decision of the Council implements those new figures which have increased considerably from the previous figure of \$8,100 per bay cash-in-lieu. These figures were only increased a short time ago and it was felt inappropriate to increase the figures further beyond those which are outlined in the papers. In next year's budget, as with all fees and charges, the figures will be reviewed. As part of the process, advice will be sought from a qualified valuer as has been done on this occasion in determining the valuations.

Mrs M Zakrevsky, Mullaloo:

Re: Attachment 6 – Page 2 of 5 - Foreshore Management

Q1 *FNM1009 – Foreshore Access Path Redevelopment - \$6,000 – What account are these funds coming from and where is this planned for?*

BCW014 – Foreshore Park Toilets - \$25,000 – Where are these toilets planned for?

A1 This question will be taken on notice.

Q2 *Stormwater Drainage Outfall Upgrades for Yellagonga Park – Is this for pollutant trapping or for some other reason?*

A2 The City is installing pollutant traps around Yellagonga Park. Currently the City is reviewing the design for the outfalls as it goes into the Park proper. At this stage, the extent of the works has not been determined. It is anticipated that by the end of this calendar year, the extent of works will be scoped and budget funds allocated accordingly.

Dr V Cusack, Kingsley:

Q1 *What attempts did the Council make to curtail expenditure?*

A1 The Strategic Financial Management Committee of the City has adopted a number of initiatives for further investigation and one of the initiatives is looking at opportunities where costs can be reduced and savings made with respect to the operations of the City.

A further response to this question will be provided during the Powerpoint presentation to be given this evening.

Q2 *What direct benefits do the ratepayers receive for the \$1.7 million City Watch service each year?*

A2 The City Watch Program was started in 2000 by decision of the Council. It has been strongly supported in each successive year. There is a review to be undertaken in relation to City Watch. The feedback received by the City through its customer survey is that there is a strong recognition of security. Research would indicate that it gives a sense of well-being to a significant number of people in the community. The role of City Watch is to observe and report; whilst the apprehension of offenders is a Police role. In terms of the information available, the City's costs are reflective of general costs in the industry.

STATEMENT BY MAYOR PICKARD

Mayor Pickard advised that whilst he ruled out of order an earlier question raised by Mr David Davies in relation to the calling of this evening's meeting with respect to the budget, all procedures were followed in the calling of the Special Council meeting. The community has on a number of occasions been furnished with opportunities to contribute to the make-up of the draft budget presented to this evening's meeting, firstly via the Strategic Plan, and more recently, the City has engaged the community through public advertising and comment period for the Strategic Financial Plan. The Strategic Financial Plan included the Capital Works Program which in the main is being presented this evening as part of the Capital Works budget. Six members of the public took the opportunity to comment during the public comment period, with a range of issues being raised.

As part of the Strategic Financial Plan, it was indicated that a 4% annual increase in rates over a 20 year period would leave the City in deficit of \$80 million if it wished to pursue capital works programs. If the City did not wish to pursue capital works programs, it would be in a deficit after 20 years with an annual 4% increase in rates of \$40 million.

In relation to adequate notification of this evening's meeting being given, every day the budget is not passed, the City loses an opportunity to earn \$5,000 a day in interest that the rates collected generate.

PUBLIC STATEMENT TIME

Statements made at a Special Meeting of the Council must relate to the purpose for which the meeting has been called.

Mr M Sideris, Mullaloo:

Mr Sideris sought clarification of responses given to Questions 2(a) (b) (c) and (d) he submitted prior to this evening's meeting.

Mr Sideris raised his concerns in relation to the following:

- 1 With respect to the responses provided to questions submitted prior to the meeting, Mr Sideris raised his concerns at the proposed 5.2% rate increase and the fact that there was not adequate notification of this evening's meeting.
- 2 cash-in-lieu policy and the proper collection of the cash reserve;
- 3 purchase of land for car parking – Lawley Court;
- 4 14% increase in salaries budgeted for 2005 versus 2006.

Response by Mayor Pickard: The agenda for the Special Council meeting was advertised on the City's website, made available in the City's libraries and advertised in the West Australian newspaper on Saturday, 22 July 2006, as well as the community newspaper.

Mr D Davies, Connolly:

Mr Davies spoke in relation to the calling of the Special Council meeting and of the lack of notification given to the public and requested this evening's meeting be deferred.

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Leave of absence previously approved:

Cr M John 4 July 2006 – 28 July 2006 Inclusive

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Disclosure of Financial Interests

Nil.

Disclosure of interest affecting impartiality

Elected members and staff are required under the Code of Conduct, in addition to declaring any financial interest, to declare any interest that may affect their impartiality in considering a matter. This declaration does not restrict any right to participate in or be present during the decision-making process. The Elected member/employee is also encouraged to disclose the nature of the interest.

Name/Position	Cr S Hart
Item No/Subject	JSC25-07/06 - 2006/07 Draft Budget
Nature of interest	Interest that may affect impartiality
Extent of interest	Cr Hart is the holder of a Healthcare Card and is entitled to the Pensioner discount given on rates

Name/Position	Cr R Currie
Item No/Subject	JSC25-07/06 - 2006/07 Draft Budget
Nature of interest	Interest that may affect impartiality
Extent of interest	Cr Currie is the holder of a Pension Card and is entitled to the Pension discount given on rates.

JSC24-07/06 PRESENTATION OF THE 2006/07 DRAFT BUDGET

WARD: All

RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR: Mr Mike Tidy
Corporate Services

The Chief Executive Officer and the Director Corporate Services provided a presentation of the 2006/07 draft budget – Appendix 2 refers.

MOVED Cr Magyar, SECONDED Cr Jacob that Council NOTES the presentation by the Chief Executive Officer and Director Corporate Services pertaining to the 2006/07 draft budget.

The Motion was Put and CARRIED (12/0)

In favour of the Motion: Mayor Pickard, Crs Amphlett, Corr, Currie, Evans, Fishwick, Hart, Hollywood, Jacob, Magyar, McLean and Park

Appendix 2 refers

To access this attachment on electronic document, click here: [Attach2min250706.pdf](#)

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JSC25-07/06 2006/07 DRAFT BUDGET – [72579]

WARD:	All
RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:	Mr Mike Tidy Corporate Services

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present the 2006/07 Draft Budget to Council for adoption.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 2006/07 budget process commenced in January 2006. The process encompassed detailed budget calculation and preparation, Executive review and Elected Member workshops.

The 2006/07 draft budget has been developed within a strategic financial planning framework based on leadership by the Council, the determination of Council priorities, and the allocation of resources to these priorities.

Significant emphasis has been placed on improving the budget process to ensure that the Annual Budget forms part of and is driven by a longer-term strategic planning framework. The process for the development of the 2006/07 draft budget has incorporated clear links to Council's long-term objectives, and the Strategic Financial Plan.

It is recommended that Council, BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY, ADOPTS the annual budget for the City of Joondalup for the year ending 30 June 2007, incorporating:

- 1 *Budget Statements;*
- 2 *Rates;*
- 3 *Emergency Services Levy;*
- 4 *Domestic Refuse Charges;*
- 5 *Private Swimming Pool Inspection Fees;*
- 6 *Discount and Early Payment Incentives;*
- 7 *Payment Options;*
- 8 *Late Payment Interest;*

- 9 *Emergency Services Levy Interest Charge;*
- 10 *Instalment and Arrangements Administration Fees & Interest Charges;*
- 11 *2006/07 Capital Works Program;*
- 12 *Transfers From Reserves;*
- 13 *Fees and Charges.*

BACKGROUND

The 2006/07 budget process has been in progress since early 2006. The contents of the budget have been refined over this period after staff presentations, analysis and review by the Chief Executive Officer and senior staff and workshops and consultation with elected members.

The 2006/07 draft budget has been formulated within a longer-term financial planning framework. While long term financial sustainability is not going to be secured in a single budget the 2006/07 draft budget represents a significant first step. Financial parameters have been established and projected, based on agreed assumptions, within the Strategic Financial Plan 2006/07 – 2009/10. Emphasis has been placed on ensuring the budget is driven by a long term, strategic planning framework.

DETAILS

The City of Joondalup's 2006/07 Draft Budget is a balanced budget and sets the foundation for the City to continue a measured and stable growth.

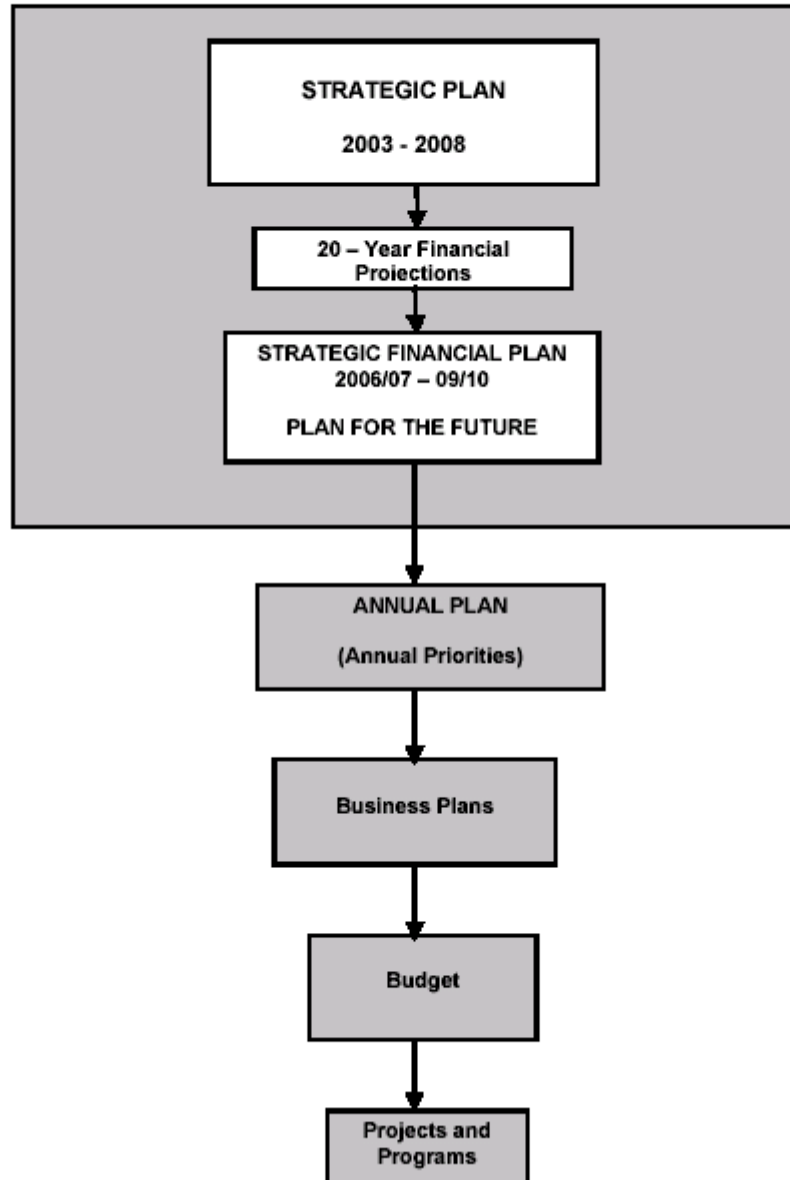
Significant emphasis has been placed on improving the budget process to ensure that the Annual Budget forms part of and is driven by a longer-term strategic planning framework. The process for the development of the 2006/07 budget has incorporated clear links to Council's long-term objectives, and the Strategic Financial Plan.

The budget process is conducted over a number of months and involves extensive analytical and review stages as summarised below:

- Financial Performance Analysis 2005/2006 (quarterly)
- Assess Financial Capacity and Sustainability
- Call for Bids – Operational
- Assess Bids
 - Operations
 - Community need
- Prepare Strategic Financial Plan 2006/07 – 2009/10
- Assess/Analyse Rating Capacity
- Initial Review of Service Delivery
- Critical Analysis of Annual Plan Performance
- Review all Bids for Capacity
 - Rating
 - Resources to implement and deploy
 - Analyse 2005/06 performance
- Determine Potential Reductions
- Strategic Plan – Alignment
- Executive Analysis
- Strategic Financial Plan Alignment

The integrated planning framework is depicted in the following diagram:

DIAGRAM 1: PLANNING & BUDGET FRAMEWORK



Capital

This Budget provides for a large capital works program, excellent community services through the provision of cultural activities, leisure and library programs and growth in the number and standard of public parks and recreation facilities.

There are 6 major capital projects proposed, with total expenditure during 2006/07 against these projects estimated to be \$12.48m as follows:

• Ocean Reef Marina - Project Master Plan	\$1.17m
• Cultural Facility – Complete Purchase and Feasibility Study	\$0.59m
• Works Depot - Construction	\$4.00m
• Lot 6 Lawley Court Joondalup – Purchase & Carpark Construction	\$2.70m
• Arena Community Sport & Recreation Assoc Clubrooms - Contribution	\$0.71m
• Universal Recycling Service – New 240Lt Bin Service	\$3.31m

The City's capital works program of \$15.48m includes:

• Major Building Works	\$ 1.80m
• Major Road Construction	\$ 3.42m
• Road Preservation	\$ 4.57m
• Traffic Management	\$ 1.96m
• Other Works	\$ 3.73m

(For full details refer to the budget papers – Attachments 1 to 9)

Reserves

The City will transfer the following amounts to and from various reserves during the budget year:

- Transfer from the Asset Replacement Reserve an amount of:
 - \$4,000,000 for the construction of a depot facility,
 - \$2,700,000 for purchase and development of Lot 6 Lawley Court as a carpark;
- Transfer from the Domestic Cart - Refuse Collection Reserve an amount of \$1,495,701 to implement Universal Recycling Service;
- Transfer from the Leisure Centres Capital Replacement Reserve an amount of \$190,000 for the completion of the upgrade of the Craigie Leisure Centre;
- Transfer from the Ocean Reef Boat Launching Facility Reserve an amount of \$155,991 for part funding of Project Master Plan on the Ocean Reef Boat Harbour project;
- Transfer from the Cultural Facility Reserve an amount of:
 - \$535,500 to complete purchase of the Joondalup Cultural Facility site, and
 - \$60,000 to undertake a feasibility study into the development of a Cultural Facility;
- \$450,000 will be transferred to the Leisure Centres Capital Replacement Reserve being a grant for the Geothermal Bore at Craigie Leisure Centre;

- \$145,000 will be transferred to the Rate Revaluation Reserve;
- \$3,900,000 will be transferred to the Strategic Asset Management Reserve;
- All reserve funds will be credited with all of the interest earned from their investment.

Rate and Rubbish Charge Increase

Council will increase its rates by 5.2%. While above CPI this increase is well below the recently released Western Australian Local Government Association Local Government Cost Index. This index, which incorporates a component of the general construction index and is considered more representative of the true cost pressures on local government, is running at 6.63% to the end of March 2006. The average residential rates (excluding refuse charge) within the City is \$745.75 (2005/06 \$711).

The long-term sustainable management of the City's waste disposal will be a particular focus during 2006/07. The City is participating through the Mindarie Regional Council in the development of a major resource recovery facility as well as a new agreement with the City's of Wanneroo and Swan for the upgrade of the existing materials recovery facility.

The direct impact of these initiatives for the residents of the City of Joondalup will be the introduction a new universal recycling service, which will be rolled out from late 2006/early 2007. Unlike the current voluntary service the new service will be provided to all households with a single rubbish charge covering both the domestic rubbish 240ltr bin and the recycling 240ltr bin.

The cost of rubbish disposal continues to increase. Despite increases in the State Government's landfill levy and other landfill costs, however, the City's rubbish charges will only increase to \$185 in 2006/07 including the recycling service. Over the long term the more that can be diverted from landfill the more sustainable will be the approach.

There has been a voluntary user pay recycling service operating which required those residents who took up the service after the 31 December 2000 to buy their own recycling bin for \$84.70. In order therefore to put everyone on an equal footing Council will make a once off offer to those residents to buy back that bin.

The City of Joondalup's 2006/07 annual budget is a balanced budget and sets the foundation for the City to continue a measured and stable growth.

Issues and options considered:

The process for the development of the Annual Budget 2006/07 has involved:

- The identification of longer term directions for financial management of income and expenditure following a rigorous analysis and consideration of Council's current financial position, and
- The establishment of financial parameters for the 2006/07 financial year including consideration of rating income, grants income and other income, and likely demands on expenditure.

Link to Strategic Plan:

Outcome: The City of Joondalup is a sustainable and accountable business

Objective: To manage the business in a responsible and accountable manner

Strategies: Ensure financial viability and alignment to the Plan

Legislation – Statutory Provisions:

The accompanying Budget for 2006/07 has been prepared in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995, the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 and Australian Accounting Standards.

Risk Management considerations:

When setting the Annual Budget the City is exposed to financial risk over the long term if little regard is given to both revenue and expenditure issues beyond the budget period.

Financial/Budget Implications:

Detailed in Budget Papers.

Policy implications:

Not applicable.

Regional Significance:

Not applicable.

Sustainability implications:

The Council has as a key financial objective, the long-term financial sustainability of the City of Joondalup in order to give it the capacity to achieve its key corporate objectives as specified in the Strategic Plan. The Strategic Financial Plan 2006/07 – 2009/10 has set the parameters for the Annual Budget and has been developed to ensure that current operating trends, including the rate of growth for each revenue and expenditure item, are sustainable.

Maintaining financial sustainability is important in order to avoid the impact on the local community of disruptive spending cuts or sudden and excessive rate increases, and to ensure fairness in rating between current and future ratepayers.

Consultation:

The draft Budget 2006/07 is based on the Strategic Financial Plan for 2006/07 to 2009/10, which was made available for public comment from 29 April 2006 to 29 May 2006.

It is also proposed that a series of 'budget briefing forums' be held for key stakeholders, community associations and the business community to provide further information on the 2006/07 budget.

COMMENT

A rigorous approach has been applied to the preparation of the 2006/07 budget within a long-term strategic financial planning framework with linkages to Council's long-term objectives. In relation to the development of the Strategic Financial Plan and the Annual Budget, Council has complied with the following principles:

- Improving and managing financial risks relating to debt, assets and liabilities;
- Provision of reasonable stability in the level of rate burden;
- Consideration of the financial impacts of Council decisions on future generations; and
- Provision of accurate and timely disclosure of financial information.

In the 2006/07 budget process Council has taken a business-like and sustainable approach to the development of services and capital works and projects.

Next Steps

The Strategic Plan is being reviewed in 2006/07 and will be developed over a 20-year time horizon. The 20-year Strategic Financial Plan that has already been developed will be aligned to the Strategic Plan at its next revision.

A Strategic Asset Plan is being developed for all of the City's assets, including its buildings, to effectively manage their future use and replacement. This will entail the integration of financial, technical, economic and social data against the assessment of the condition of each asset. The City plans to set aside funds for the future replacement of these assets and these costs will be reflected in the Strategic Financial Plan.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 -grey	2006/07 Operating Statement by Programme
Attachment 2 -grey	2006/07 Statement of Cash Flows
Attachment 3 - grey	2006/07 Rate Setting Statement
Attachment 4 - grey	2006/07 Statement of Rating Information
Attachment 5 - blue	Notes to and Forming Part of the Budget
Attachment 6 - yellow	2006/07 Capital Expenditure
Attachment 7- pink	Motor Vehicle and Plant Replacement Program
Attachment 8 - turquoise	2006/07 Reserve Account Balances
Attachment 9 - white	2006/07 Schedule of Fees & Charges

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Absolute Majority

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Replacement Attachments for JSC25-07/06 – 2006/07 Draft Budget were provided at the Special Meeting of Council. The changes relate to format, presentation and layout, some of which are required to meet statutory requirements.

Attachment 1 2006/07 Operating Statement by Programme
Capital Grants and Contributions is now shown separately at the bottom of the page.

- Attachment 3(a) 2006/07 Rate Setting Statement
Inserted 2005/06 projected actual column, which was previously missing.
- Attachment 4 Rating Statement 2006/07
Note of Special Area Rates for 2006/2007 has been added at the bottom of the page.
- Attachment 5 Notes to and Forming Part of the Budget
A number of minor presentation changes have been made and an additional note, 14 Reconciliation of Cash Provided by Operating Activity, has been added.

Revised Attachments were provided to replace those issued in the agenda – Appendix 1 refers.

MOVED Cr Amphlett, SECONDED Cr Park that Council:

1 ADOPTS the annual budget for the City of Joondalup for the year ending 30 June 2007, incorporating Budget Statements:

- (a) 2006/07 Operating Statement by Programme (refer Attachment 1/grey)
- (b) 2006/07 Statement of Cash Flows (refer Attachment 2/grey)
- (c) 2006/07 Rate Setting Statement (refer Attachment 3/grey)
- (d) 2006/07 Statement of Rating Information (refer Attachment 4/grey)
- (e) Notes to and Forming Part of the Budget (refer Attachment 5/blue)
- (f) Supplementary Information:
 - (i) 2006/07 Capital Works Program (refer Attachment 6/yellow);
 - (ii) 2006/07 Motor Vehicle and Plant Replacement Program (refer Attachment 7/pink)
 - (iii) 2006/07 Reserve Account Balances (refer Attachment 8/turquoise)
 - (iv) 2006/07 Schedule of Fees & Charges (refer Attachment 9/white)

2 Rates:

- (a) In accordance with the provisions of Sections 6.32 and 6.35 of the Local Government Act 1995 SETS the general rates in accordance with the following tables:
 - (i) General Rates – Gross Rental Value and Minimum Payment

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.32 and 6.35 of the Local Government Act 1995, IMPOSES the 2006/07 Gross Rental Value Rates and Minimum Payment on each Residential, Commercial / Industrial Lot or other piece of rateable land as follows:

<u>Rating Zones</u> <u>- Gross Rental Value</u>	Gross Rental Value Rates (cents in dollar)	Minimum Payment \$
Residential Zones – Improved	7.3029	531
Residential Zones - Not Improved	7.3029	531
Commercial Zones – Improved	7.3029	531
Commercial Zones - Not Improved	7.3029	531
Industrial Zones – Improved	7.3029	531
Industrial Zones - Not Improved	7.3029	531

(ii) General Rates – Unimproved Value and Minimum Payment

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.32 and 6.35 of the Local Government Act 1995, imposes the 2006/07 Unimproved Value Rates and Minimum Payment on each Residential and Rural Lot or other piece of rateable land as follows:

<u>Rating Zones</u> <u>- Unimproved Values</u>	Unimproved Value Rates (cents in dollar)	Minimum Payment \$
Residential Zones	0.57080	531
Rural Zones	0.57080	531

(b) In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.32 and Section 6.37 of the Local Government Act 1995 IMPOSES a Specified Area Rate of 0.665841 cents in the dollar for the Harbour Rise Area, for the purposes of maintaining enhanced landscaping which will be applied during 2006/07, bounded by:

- Going north along Whitfords Avenue and following the boundaries of Whitfords Avenue where this meets lots 331-333, 337-334, 378, 377, 403, 402, 376-367 and lot 9003.
- Along the boundary of lot 9003 where it meets Angove Drive, across Mallorca Avenue and following the boundaries of lot 251 & 250 where they meet Angove Drive.
- Following the front boundaries of lots 250,249,409,410,247,245-240,411 Ewing Drive, following the right hand side boundary of lot 408 Marbella Drive to where it meets Ewing Drive and then across Ewing Drive up the left hand side boundary of lot 201 Marbella Drive and along the rear boundaries of lot 1 Ewing Drive and lots 200-198 Marbella Drive.

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4 Domestic Refuse Charges:

- (a) In accordance with the provisions of Part IV of the Health Act 1911 (as amended), IMPOSES the following domestic refuse charges for the 2006/07 financial year:

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- eligibility to enter the early incentive draw for the following prizes (none of which is a cost to the ratepayers of the City).

Major Prizes:

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7 Payment Options:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.45 of the Local Government Act 1995, OFFERS the following payment options for the payment of rates (including specified area rates), emergency services levy, domestic refuse charge and private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST):

- One Instalment

Payment in full (including all arrears) within 28 days of the issue date of the annual rate notice and be eligible for a 2.5% discount on current general rates only and eligibility to enter the rates incentive scheme for prizes.

Payment in full within 35 days of the issue date of the annual rate notice.

- Two Instalments

The first instalment of 50% of the total current rates (including specified area rates), emergency services levy, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) and instalment charge, plus the total outstanding arrears payable within 35 days of date of issue of the annual rate notice.

The second instalment of 50% of the total current rates (including specified area rates), emergency services levy, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) and instalment charge, payable 63 days after the due date of 1st instalment.

- Four Instalments

The first instalment of 25% of the total current rates (including specified area rate), emergency services levy, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) and instalment charge, plus the total outstanding arrears payable within 35 days of date of issue of the annual rate notice.

The second, third and fourth instalment, each of 25% of the total current rates (including specified area rates), emergency services levy, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) and instalment charge, payable as follows:-

- 2nd instalment 63 days after due date of 1st instalment
- 3rd instalment 63 days after due date of 2nd instalment
- 4th instalment 63 days after due date of 3rd instalment

8 Late Payment Interest

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.13 and 6.51 of the Local Government Act 1995, IMPOSES interest on all current and arrears general rates (including specified area rates), current and arrears domestic refuse charges, current and arrears of private swimming pool inspection fees (including GST) and arrears of security charges at a rate of 11% per annum, calculated on a simple interest basis on arrears amounts which remain unpaid and current amounts which remain unpaid after 35 days from the issue date of the original rate notice, or the due date of the instalment and continues until the instalment is paid. Excluded are deferred rates, instalment current amounts not yet due under the two or four-payment option, registered pensioner portions and current government pensioner rebate amounts. Such interest to be charged once per month on the outstanding balance on the day of calculation for the number of days;

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In accordance with the provisions of Section 36S of the Fire and Emergency Services Legislation (Emergency Services Levy) Amendment Act 2002, IMPOSES interest on all current and arrears amounts of emergency services levy at a rate of 11.00% per annum, calculated on a simple interest basis on amounts which remain unpaid after 35 days from the issue date of the original rate notice, or the due date of the instalment and continues until instalment is paid. Excluded are instalment current amounts not yet due under the two of four-payment option, registered pensioner portions and current government pensioner rebate amounts. Such interest to be charged once per month on the outstanding balance on the day of calculation for the number of days;

10 Instalment and Arrangements Administration Fees & Interest Charges:

(a) In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.45 of the Local Government Act 1995, for the 2006/07 financial year, IMPOSES the following administration fees and interest charges for payment of rates (including specified area rates), domestic refuse charge and private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST):

(i) Two Instalment Option

An administration fee of \$9.00 for instalment two, together with an interest charge of 5.5% per annum, calculated on a simple interest basis on:

- 50% of the total current general rate (including specified area rates), emergency services levy, domestic refuse charge and private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) calculated 35 days from the date of issue of the annual rate notice to 63 days after the due date of the first instalment;

(ii) Four Instalment Option

An administration fee of \$9.00 for each instalment two, three and four, together with an interest charge of 5.5% per annum, calculated on a simple interest basis on:

- 75% of the total current general rate (including specified area rate), emergency service levy, domestic refuse charge and private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) calculated 35 days from the date of issue of the annual rate notice to 63 days after the due date of the first instalment;
- 50% of the total current general rate (including specified area rate), emergency service levy, domestic refuse charge and private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) calculated from the due date of the second instalment to the due date of the third instalment; and
- 25% of the total current general rate (including specified area rate), emergency service levy, domestic refuse charge and private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) calculated from the due date of the third instalment to the due date of the fourth instalment;

(iii) Special Payment Arrangements

Special monthly or fortnightly arrangements are available (by direct debit from a bank account only) for those ratepayers who may be unable to pay in full or according to the instalment plans offered. An administration fee of \$30.00 is charged on each payment arrangement and penalty interest of 11.00% pa is applied (from the 36th day after the issue of the annual rate notice) to the outstanding balance until the account is paid in full.

- (b) In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.49 of the Local Government Act 1995, **AUTHORISES** the Chief Executive Officer to enter into special payment agreements with ratepayers for the payment of rates (including specified area rates), emergency services levy, domestic refuse charge (inclusive of GST where applicable) and private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) during the 2006/07 financial year;

- 11 **ADOPTS** the 2006/07 year of the Five Year Capital Works Program as incorporated into the 2006/07 Budget and set out in the budget papers on Attachment 6;

12 As part of the 2006/07 Budget AUTHORISES the following transfers from Reserves:

- (a) **Transfer from the Asset Replacement Reserve an amount of:**
- (i) **\$4,000,000 for the construction of a depot facility, and**
 - (ii) **\$2,700,000 for purchase and construction of Lot 6 Lawley Court Carpark;**
- (b) **Transfer from the Domestic Cart - Refuse Collection Reserve an amount of \$1,495,701 to implement Universal Recycling Service;**
- (c) **Transfer from the Leisure Centres Capital Replacement Reserve an amount of \$190,000 for the completion of the upgrade of the Craigie Leisure Centre;**
- (d) **Transfer from the Ocean Reef Boat Launching Facility Reserve an amount of \$155,991 for part funding of Project Master Plan on the Ocean Reef Boat Harbour project;**
- (e) **Transfer from the Cultural Facility Reserve an amount of:**
- (i) **\$535,500 to complete purchase of the Joondalup Cultural Facility site, and**
 - (ii) **\$60,000 to undertake a feasibility study into the development of a Cultural Facility.**

13 As part of the 2006/07 Budget ADOPTS the Fees and Charges as set out in Attachment 9/white to the Budget Statements.

Discussion ensued, with Director Corporate Services providing an explanation to queries raised.

AMENDMENT MOVED Cr Magyar, SECONDED Cr Corr that clauses 2(a)(i) and 2(a)(ii) be deleted and replaced with the following:

(i) General Rates - Gross Rental Value and Minimum Payment

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.32 and 6.35 of the Local Government Act 1995, IMPOSES the 2006/07 Gross Rental Value Rates and Minimum Payment on each Residential, Commercial / Industrial Lot or other piece of rateable land as follows:

<u>Rating Zones - Gross Rental Value</u>	Gross Rental Value Rates (cents in dollar)	Minimum Payment \$
Residential Zones - Improved	7.3522	Nil
Residential Zones - Not Improved	7.3522	Nil
Commercial Zones - Improved	7.3522	Nil
Commercial Zones - Not Improved	7.3522	Nil
Industrial Zones - Improved	7.3522	Nil
Industrial Zones - Not Improved	7.3522	Nil

(ii) General Rates - Unimproved Value and Minimum Payment

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.32 and 6.35 of the Local Government Act 1995, imposes the 2006/07 Unimproved Value Rates and Minimum Payment on each Residential and Rural Lot or other piece of rateable land as follows:

<u>Rating Zones - Unimproved Value</u>	Unimproved Value	Minimum Payment \$
	Rates (cents in dollar)	
Residential Zones	0.57080	Nil
Rural Zones	0.57080	Nil

and that the budget papers and attachments be amended to reflect these changes where appropriate.

Discussion ensued.

The Amendment was Put and**LOST (4/8)**

In favour of the Amendment: Crs Corr, Evans, Magyar and Park **Against the Amendment:** Mayor Pickard, Crs Amphlett, Currie, Fishwick, Hart, Hollywood, Jacob and McLean

MOVED Cr Hart, SECONDED Cr Corr that the meeting to consider the draft 2006/07 Budget be DEFERRED for 48 hours.

LOST (4/8)**The Procedural Motion was Put and**

In favour of the Procedural Motion: Crs Corr, Evans, Magyar and Hart. **Against the Procedural Motion:** Mayor Pickard, Crs Amphlett, Currie, Fishwick, Park, Hollywood, Jacob and McLean

AMENDMENT MOVED Cr Fishwick, SECONDED Cr Hart that Point 4 of the Motion be amended to read as follows, with the original Point 4(b) being renumbered as 4(c):

“(a) In accordance with the provisions of Part IV of the Health Act 1911 (as amended), **IMPOSES** the following domestic refuse charges for the 2006/07 financial year:

(a) Per existing normal residential unit serviced	\$189.00
(b) Per existing residential unit services eligible in accordance with the Rates and Charges (Rebates and Deferments) Act 1992	\$164.00
(c) Additional Service	\$203.50 (inclusive of GST)
(d) Collection from within the property boundary	\$48.40 (inclusive of GST)
(e) New Refuse Service - Purchase and delivery of bin	\$44.00 (inclusive of GST)

- (b) the domestic refuse charge in 4(a)(b) above be applicable for pensioners registered and entitled as at 1 July 2006 under the Rates and Charges (Rebate and Deferments) Act 1992 for whom the domestic refuse charge be set at a discounted rate, for the 2006/07 financial year ONLY, of \$164.00 per existing unit serviced;
- (d) the State Government be requested to amend the *Rates and Charges (Rebates and Deferments) Act 1992* to include rubbish charges where this is imposed by local governments as a separate service fee so that eligible pensioners within the meaning of that Act are able to receive a discount;
- (e) this matter be forwarded to the State Treasurer the Hon Eric Ripper MLA, all other members of the Western Australian Houses of Parliament and the Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) seeking their support for the proposed amendment in 4(d) above as a matter of urgency.”

During discussion on the matter, it was requested that each part of the Amendment be voted upon separately.

AMENDMENT MOVED Cr Fishwick, **SECONDED** Cr Hart that Point 4 of the Motion be amended to read as follows, with the original Point 4(b) being renumbered as 4(c):

- “(a) In accordance with the provisions of Part IV of the Health Act 1911 (as amended), **IMPOSES** the following domestic refuse charges for the 2006/07 financial year:

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The Amendment was Put and

CARRIED (11/1)

In favour of the Amendment: Mayor Pickard, Crs Amphlett, Corr, Currie, Evans, Fishwick, Hart, Hollywood, Magyar, McLean and Park **Against the Amendment:** Cr Jacob.

AMENDMENT MOVED Cr Fishwick, SECONDED Cr Hart that Point 4 of the Motion be amended to read as follows:

- 4 (d) the State Government be requested to amend the *Rates and Charges (Rebates and Deferments) Act 1992* to include rubbish charges where this is imposed by local governments as a separate service fee so that eligible pensioners within the meaning of that Act are able to receive a discount;**

The Amendment was Put and

CARRIED (12/0)

In favour of the Amendment: Mayor Pickard, Crs Amphlett, Corr, Currie, Evans, Fishwick, Hart, Hollywood, Jacob, Magyar, McLean and Park

AMENDMENT MOVED Cr Fishwick, SECONDED Cr Hart that Point 4 of the Motion be amended to read as follows:

- 4 (e) this matter be forwarded to the State Treasurer the Hon Eric Ripper MLA, all other members of the Western Australian Houses of Parliament and the Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) seeking their support for the proposed amendment in (1) above as a matter of urgency;**

The Amendment was Put and

CARRIED (12/0)

In favour of the Amendment: Mayor Pickard, Crs Amphlett, Corr, Currie, Evans, Fishwick, Hart, Hollywood, Jacob, Magyar, McLean and Park

Further discussion ensued.

The Original Motion as amended, being:

That Council:

- 1 ADOPTS the annual budget for the City of Joondalup for the year ending 30 June 2007, incorporating Budget Statements:**
- (a) 2006/07 Operating Statement by Programme (refer Attachment 1/grey)**
 - (b) 2006/07 Statement of Cash Flows (refer Attachment 2/grey)**
 - (c) 2006/07 Rate Setting Statement (refer Attachment 3/grey)**
 - (d) 2006/07 Statement of Rating Information (refer Attachment 4/grey)**
 - (e) Notes to and Forming Part of the Budget (refer Attachment 5/blue)**

(f) Supplementary Information:

- (i) 2006/07 Capital Works Program (refer Attachment 6/yellow);
- (ii) 2006/07 Motor Vehicle and Plant Replacement Program (refer Attachment 7/pink)
- (iii) 2006/07 Reserve Account Balances (refer Attachment 8/turquoise)
- (iv) 2006/07 Schedule of Fees & Charges (refer Attachment 9/white)

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(i) Two Instalment Option

An administration fee of \$9.00 for instalment two, together with an interest charge of 5.5% per annum, calculated on a simple interest basis on:

- 50% of the total current general rate (including specified area rates), emergency services levy, domestic refuse charge and private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) calculated 35 days from the date of issue of the annual rate notice to 63 days after the due date of the first instalment.

(ii) Four Instalment Option

An administration fee of \$9.00 for each instalment two, three and four, together with an interest charge of 5.5% per annum, calculated on a simple interest basis on:

- 75% of the total current general rate (including specified area rate), emergency service levy, domestic refuse charge and private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) calculated 35 days from the date of issue of the annual rate notice to 63 days after the due date of the first instalment;

- 50% of the total current general rate (including specified area rate), emergency service levy, domestic refuse charge and private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) calculated from the due date of the second instalment to the due date of the third instalment; and
- 25% of the total current general rate (including specified area rate), emergency service levy, domestic refuse charge and private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) calculated from the due date of the third instalment to the due date of the fourth instalment.

(iii) Special Payment Arrangements

Special monthly or fortnightly arrangements are available (by direct debit from a bank account only) for those ratepayers who may be unable to pay in full or according to the instalment plans offered. An administration fee of \$30.00 is charged on each payment arrangement and penalty interest of 11.00% pa is applied (from the 36th day after the issue of the annual rate notice) to the outstanding balance until the account is paid in full.

- (b) In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.49 of the Local Government Act 1995, **AUTHORISES** the Chief Executive Officer to enter into special payment agreements with ratepayers for the payment of rates (including specified area rates), emergency services levy, domestic refuse charge (inclusive of GST where applicable) and private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) during the 2006/07 financial year.
- 11 **ADOPTS** the 2006/07 year of the Five Year Capital Works Program as incorporated into the 2006/07 Budget and set out in the budget papers on Attachment 6;
- 12 **As part of the 2006/07 Budget AUTHORISES** the following transfers from Reserves:
- (a) **Transfer from the Asset Replacement Reserve an amount of:**
- (ii) \$4,000,000 for the construction of a depot facility, and
 - (ii) \$2,700,000 for purchase and construction of Lot 6 Lawley Court Carpark;
- (b) **Transfer from the Domestic Cart - Refuse Collection Reserve an amount of \$1,495,701 to implement Universal Recycling Service;**
- (c) **Transfer from the Leisure Centres Capital Replacement Reserve an amount of \$190,000 for the completion of the upgrade of the Craigie Leisure Centre;**
- (d) **Transfer from the Ocean Reef Boat Launching Facility Reserve an amount of \$155,991 for part funding of Project Master Plan on the Ocean Reef Boat Harbour project;**

(e) Transfer from the Cultural Facility Reserve an amount of:

- (j) \$535,500 to complete purchase of the Joondalup Cultural Facility site, and**
- (ii) \$60,000 to undertake a feasibility study into the development of a Cultural Facility.**

13 As part of the 2006/07 Budget ADOPTS the Fees and Charges as set out in Attachment 9/white to the Budget Statements.

was Put and

CARRIED (12/0)

In favour of the Motion: Mayor Pickard, Crs Amphlett, Corr, Currie, Evans, Fishwick, Hart, Hollywood, Jacob, Magyar, McLean and Park

Appendix 1 refers

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ADDRESS BY MAYOR PICKARD

As Mayor, I am proud to endorse to our Community a comprehensive and visionary adopted budget for the City of Joondalup for 2006-07, a budget focussing on the future of our wonderful City.

Your new Council team has exciting plans for our City in the years ahead and I am confident this Budget will allow us to bring these plans to reality.

This \$115 million Budget caters for the community's current needs, is visionary, in that it addresses the challenges ahead and it sets the course for a great future for our City.

We have responded to warnings about the City's long-term financial viability and what the City can afford to do, framing a fiscally responsible Budget and laying solid foundations for the next 20 years.

I congratulate the Council for recognising the need for a 5.2% rate increase for long-term financial sustainability and I am confident that ratepayers will see that this Budget is in their best interests to ensure a financially secure and sustainable City for generations to come.

This rate increase of 5.2% compares with 4% CPI and a local government cost index (which is our true cost) of 6.6% and indeed is comparable with other local governments including Gosnells 6.7%, Melville 5.5%, Swan 5.0%, Stirling 5.54% and Wanneroo 5.9%.

This Budget details \$115 million of projects, works and services for the community, including a major environmental step forward for the City, a recycling bin and service for all residents, operational from early 2007, ensuring that the City plays its part in the reduction of landfill and the effective recycling of household waste.

This Budget provides for a large capital works program, excellent community services through the provision of cultural activities, leisure and library programs and growth in the number and standard of public parks and recreation facilities.

Other major Budget items include:

New Works Depot - \$4.0 million;
CBD Carpark - \$2.7 million;
Ocean Reef Marina Master Plan - \$1.2 million;
Feasibility studies for a 50-metre pool and Cultural Facility;
Significant public works program of \$15.5 million, which incorporates \$9.9m on roads.

Average residential rates will rise by only \$35 from \$711 to \$746, a small price to pay to ensure the financial security of our City for decades to come.

During the past eight years our rates have increased at less than CPI, this is not a sustainable or indeed a responsible long-term financial strategy for our City's future.

For example, the City's 20 year Strategic Financial Plan identified the need to refurbish or replace aging facilities, with many in the older southern parts of the City now around 20 years old.

This year's budget provides for a significant increase in the funds, some \$5.6 million, we are setting aside for known long-term projects such as these aging facilities, as well as future visionary projects such as the Cultural Facility and Ocean Reef Marina.

The City has to cater for the needs of this generation, which is being done, and also plan ahead for the future needs of our City.

The City has previously held business Budget briefing sessions and this year is extending this initiative to include an additional session for ratepayer groups to be involved in a ratepayer briefing session of the budget.

This will enable ratepayer group representatives to be fully briefed on all aspects of the Budget to ensure the community is fully informed.

I commend this Budget to the residents and ratepayers of our City as it lays the solid foundations for our future prosperity, growth and sustainable development, a Budget focussing on the future.

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 1955 hrs; the following Elected members being present at that time:

MAYOR T PICKARD
Cr K HOLLYWOOD
Cr T McLEAN
Cr A JACOB
Cr S MAGYAR
Cr J PARK
Cr G AMPHLETT
Cr M EVANS
Cr S HART
Cr B CORR
Cr R FISHWICK
Cr R CURRIE