GOVERNANCE AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE NO. 2021(07)

5 AUGUST 2021

REPORT

COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE: Councillor Jacob Madsen (Chairperson); Councillors Russell

Milligan (Deputy Chairperson), Mayor Teresa Harding, Marnie Doyle, Kate Kunzelmann and Deputy Mayor Nicole

Jonic

COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES: Nil

OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE: Acting Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General

Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development (Ben Pole), Content and Experience Manager (Matthew Pascoe), Procurement Manager (Richard White), Executive

Services Manager (Wade Wilson) and Theatre and

Production Supervisor (Nicholas Burke)

This meeting was held virtually and streamed publicly in accordance with the COVID provisions of sections 277 B, C and D of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

Nil

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Governance and Transparency Committee 13 May 2021

Item 4 - Procurement - Studiosity Subscription Renewal

MATTER TO BE LIFTED FROM THE TABLE

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Jacob Madsen: Seconded by Councillor Russell Milligan:

That Item 1 titled Procurement – Studiosity Subscription Renewal be lifted from the table.

AFFIRMATIVE NEGATIVE
Councillors: Councillors:
Madsen Nil

Milligan Harding Doyle Kunzelmann Jonic

The motion was put and carried.

1. PROCUREMENT - STUDIOSITY SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL

This is a report seeking a Council resolution by Ipswich City Council (Council) to continue the annual subscription for Councils online education resource with Studiosity Pty Ltd. This report was submitted to the Governance and Transparency Committee of 13 May 2021 however was laid on the table for three (3) months, to be represented at the 5 August 2021 meeting.

Studiosity Pty Ltd provides an online education resource service to Council. These services have been embedded within the Library sector for the past ten (10) years and are deemed an essential resource for Council's Library members. Studiosity Pty Ltd provides an online education resource that is freely accessed by Ipswich Library members and offer a service for which there is no comparable alternatives in the market.

Studiosity provides free live study help for Library members via remote access. This resource delivers assistance with maths, English, science, assignment research and study skills for grades 3 to 12 and TAFE.

Studiosity is meeting Council's performance expectations for the provision of Council Libraries online education resource. The total cost for a further three (3) year term covering the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2024 is estimated at ninety-nine thousand dollars (\$99,000) excluding GST this figure is based on budget forecast provided by the Library. The 2021-2022 budget is \$30,000, 2022-2023 budget is \$33,000 and 2023-2024 budget is \$36,000

RECOMMENDATION

- A. That pursuant to Section 235(b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Regulation), Council resolve that because of the specialised nature of the services that are sought, it would be impractical to invite quotes or tenders for the provision of on-demand online study help services.
- B. That Council enter into a contractual arrangement (Council reference 16522) with Studiosity Pty Ltd, at an expected purchase price of \$99,000.00 excluding GST over the entire term, being a term of three (3) years, with no options to extend.

C. That pursuant to Section 257(1)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009,* Council resolve to delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to take 'contractual action' pursuant to Section 238 of the Regulation in order to implement Council's decision.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Jacob Madsen:

Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

That the matter be referred to the Ordinary Council Meeting of 19 August 2021 for consideration.

AFFIRMATIVE NEGATIVE
Councillors: Councillors:
Madsen Nil

Milligan Harding Doyle

Kunzelmann

Jonic

The motion was put and carried.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2. <u>CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE GOVERNANCE AND TRANSPARENCY</u> <u>COMMITTEE NO. 2021(06) OF 8 JULY 2021</u>

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding:

Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

That the minutes of the Governance and Transparency Committee No. 2021(06) held on 8 July 2021 be confirmed.

AFFIRMATIVE NEGATIVE
Councillors: Councillors:
Madsen Nil

Milligan Harding Doyle

Kunzelmann

Jonic

The motion was put and carried.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Nil

NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

MATTERS ARISING

Nil

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS

The meeting commenced at 9.28 am.

The meeting closed at 9.53 am.