

**ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2021(04)****13 MAY 2021**

## REPORT

<b><u>COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE:</u></b>	Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic (Chairperson); Councillors Jacob Madsen (Deputy Chairperson), Mayor Teresa Harding, Kate Kunzelmann, Andrew Fechner and Marnie Doyle (Observer)
<b><u>COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES:</u></b>	Nil
<b><u>OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE:</u></b>	Acting Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development (Ben Pole), Acting General Manager Corporate Services (Jeff Keech), Manager Economic and Community Development (Cat Matson), Senior Digital Content Officer (Brenton Waters) and Theatre Technician (Harrison Cate)

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**

In accordance with section 150EQ of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic informed the meeting that she has a declarable conflict of interest in Item 2 titled Small Business Funding Program Round 3 Update.

The nature of the interest is that Deputy Mayor Jonic has a professional relationship with three (3) of the successful applicants listed in Attachment 1.

The name of the related party or other persons are:

- No. 2. Sip 'N' Dip Australia Pty Ltd
- No. 28. Tuileva David Simon Meavao
- No. 30. Lavenia Law

The nature of the relationship of the related parties to the Deputy Mayor is that Deputy Mayor Jonic has a relationship with all parties on a professional basis and as a member of the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce.

The nature of the related parties interests in the matter is that they have all been successful in round 3 of the funding program.

The value of the grant is:

- No. 2. Sip 'N' Dip Australia Pty Ltd (\$1,918.30)
- No. 28. Tuileva David Simon Meavao (\$2,000)
- No. 30. Lavenia Law (\$2,000)

It was moved by Mayor Teresa Harding and seconded by Councillor Andrew Fechner that Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic does not have a declarable conflict of interest in the matter because there is no personal or financial benefit to Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic and therefore a reasonable person would trust that the final decision is made in the public interest.

The eligible councillors present at the meeting decided that Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic may participate in the meeting in relation to the matter, including by voting on the matter because there is no decision in relation to the matter, just noting of the organisational decision.

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Madsen	Nil
Harding	
Kunzelmann	
Fechner	

Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic did not take part in the vote.

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#### **BUSINESS OUTSTANDING**

Nil

#### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

1. **REPORT - ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2021(03) OF 15 APRIL 2021**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Moved by Councillor Andrew Fechner:  
Seconded by Councillor Kate Kunzelmann:

**That the report of the Economic and Industry Development Committee No. 2021(03) of 15 April 2021 be received and noted.**

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Councillors:	Councillors:
Madsen	Nil
Harding	
Kunzelmann	
Fechner	
Jonic	

The motion was put and carried.

## OFFICERS' REPORTS

### 2. SMALL BUSINESS FUNDING PROGRAM ROUND 3 UPDATE

This is a report concerning Round 3 of the Small Business Funding Program that opened on Thursday, 1 April 2021 in response to the snap COVID-19 lock-down called on Monday, 29 March 2021. It was recognised that in the lead-up to the Easter long weekend this lock-down had significant financial impacts for our local businesses, compounded by timing of the Federal Government JobKeeper support being withdrawn.

At time of writing, a total of \$102,264.62 has been approved to 52 local small businesses, with a further 44 applications to be assessed.

### RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic:

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Fechner:

**That the report be received and the contents noted.**

#### AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

Harding

Kunzelmann

Fechner

Jonic

#### NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

### 3. FIRE STATION 101 MEMBERSHIPS PLANS

This is a report concerning the proposed use of Firestation 101 from 1 July 2021 and the resulting changing in membership and pricing model.

It is proposed to make the open space at Firestation 101, currently used for co-working, available for capability building activities such as workshops, education and networking sessions for three-days per week. This requires a change in the membership fee structure.

The proposed changes make much better use of the council asset and will enable capability building programming for local small businesses to be delivered at scale.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Teresa Harding (Mayor):  
 Seconded by Councillor Andrew Fechner:

- A. That Council note and approve the proposed change of use of the Fire Station 101 facility, which includes the cessation of full-time co-working service offerings.
- B. That the proposed Fees and Charges, as detailed in Attachment 1, be adopted with an effective date of 1 July 2021.

**VARIATION TO MOTION**

Councillor Andrew Fechner proposed a variation to the motion:

- C. That the 'Summary of Change in Fees and Charges' table in the report be amended to refer to 'day rate' and that the words (Sat - Tuesday) be removed.

The mover of the original motion agreed to the proposed variation.

RECOMMENDATION

- A. That Council note and approve the proposed change of use of the Fire Station 101 facility, which includes the cessation of full-time co-working service offerings.**
- B. That the proposed Fees and Charges, as detailed in Attachment 1, be adopted with an effective date of 1 July 2021.**
- C. That the 'Summary of Change in Fees and Charges' table in the report be amended to refer to 'day rate' and that the words (Sat - Tuesday) be removed.**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Madsen

Harding

Kunzelmann

Fechner

Jonic

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

Nil

**MATTERS ARISING**

Nil

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**PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS**

The meeting commenced at 11.30 am.

The meeting closed at 11.47 am.

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