



Shire of
YILGARN

“good country for hardy people”

*Special Meeting
of Council*

8 July 2020



NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Councillors:

Please be advised that a

Special Meeting of Council to finalise the 2020/2021
budget

**Will be held in the Council Chambers on
Wednesday, 8 July 2020
Commencing at 3pm**

Peter Clarke
Chief Executive Officer

02/07/2020

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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at ____pm

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDING MEMBER

3. ATTENDANCE

Presiding Member	Cr W Della Bosca	President
Members	Cr B Close Cr J Cobden Cr G Guerini Cr P Nolan Cr L Rose Cr S Shaw	Deputy President
Council Officers	P Clarke C Watson R Bosenberg G Hindmarsh N Mwale	Chief Executive Officer Executive Manager Corporate Services Executive Manager Infrastructure Manager Regulatory Services Finance Manager

Apologies:

Observers:

Leave of Absence:

4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

6 Reporting Officer – Executive Manager Corporate Services

6.1 2020/21 Draft Budget Considerations

File Reference	8.2.5.4
Disclosure of Interest	Nil
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority
Attachments	Nil

Purpose of Report

This report presents the draft 2020/21 Annual Budget for Council consideration, deliberation and endorsement. Following the endorsement of the draft Budget, the final 2020/21 Annual Budget papers will be formulated and presented to Council in the statutory format for final adoption at the 16 July 2020 Ordinary Council meeting.

Background

Nil

Comment

In preparing the Budget worksheets, external and internal influences have been taken into account as well as a review of the Shire's operations and services to be provided. Economic efficiencies where identified and practicable have been allowed for.

Please note that the surplus/deficit as indicated is an estimate only.

Working papers will be distributed to Councillors and staff before the meeting.

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995

6.2. Local government to prepare annual budget

- (1) During the period from 1 June in a financial year to 31 August in the next financial year, or such extended time as the Minister allows, each local government is to prepare and adopt*, in the form and manner prescribed, a budget for its municipal fund for the financial year ending on the 30 June next following that 31 August.

* *Absolute majority required.*

- (2) In the preparation of the annual budget the local government is to have regard to the contents of the plan for the future of the district made in accordance with section 5.56 and to prepare a detailed estimate for the current year of —
 - (a) the expenditure by the local government; and
 - (b) the revenue and income, independent of general rates, of the local government; and

- (c) the amount required to make up the deficiency, if any, shown by comparing the estimated expenditure with the estimated revenue and income.
- (3) For the purposes of subsections (2)(a) and (b) all expenditure, revenue and income of the local government is to be taken into account unless otherwise prescribed.
- (4) The annual budget is to incorporate —
 - (a) particulars of the estimated expenditure proposed to be incurred by the local government; and
 - (b) detailed information relating to the rates and service charges which will apply to land within the district including —
 - (i) the amount it is estimated will be yielded by the general rate; and
 - (ii) the rate of interest (if any) to be charged by the local government on unpaid rates and service charges;
 - and
 - (c) the fees and charges proposed to be imposed by the local government; and
 - (d) the particulars of borrowings and other financial accommodation proposed to be entered into by the local government; and
 - (e) details of the amounts to be set aside in, or used from, reserve accounts and of the purpose for which they are to be set aside or used; and
 - (f) particulars of proposed land transactions and trading undertakings (as those terms are defined in and for the purpose of section 3.59) of the local government; and
 - (g) such other matters as are prescribed.
- (5) Regulations may provide for —
 - (a) the form of the annual budget; and
 - (b) the contents of the annual budget; and
 - (c) the information to be contained in or to accompany the annual budget.

[Section 6.2 amended by No. 49 of 2004 s. 42(8) and 56.]

Strategic Implications

The 2020/21 Draft Annual Budget has taken into account the needs detailed in the Shire's Strategic Community Plan (SCP), the Corporate Business Plan (CBP), and the Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) when determining items for inclusion in the proposed budget.

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Officer Recommendation

That Council receives the 2020/21 Draft Budget and reviews the document in preparation of adoption at the Council meeting to be held on the 16 July 2020.

6 Reporting Officer – Chief Executive Officer

6.2 Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Funding Program

File Reference	1.6.26.33
Disclosure of Interest	Nil
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority
Attachments	Funding Guidelines and Work Schedule Requirements

Purpose of Report

To submit to Council for consideration the priority listing of projects submitted by Councillors in respect to the above finding program.

Background

In late May 2020 Council was advised by the Deputy Prime Minister, the Hon. Michael McCormack, that the Australian Government had allocated funding to Local Governments across Australia as part of the COVID-19 financial stimulus package.

Comment

Council was informed that its component of the LRCI funding was \$943,500. Upon receiving advice on the funding allocation, Councillor feedback was sourced on potential projects and a final list was circularised to Councillors requesting that they prioritise the projects for final consideration by Council.

The following priorities were received from Councillors. The projects delineated in **RED** are those that received the highest priority and majority of responses from Councillors, and those in **GREEN** were considered the second priority projects.

Project	Ranking	Amount	Priority	Local Contractor Content
Swimming Pool Covers	1	\$ 60,000	5,1,3,3,2,3	No
Skatepark	4	\$220,000	6,2,4,1,1,-	Yes
Beaton Road Upgrade and Footpath to Cemetery	5	\$370,000	2,10,1,4,6,-	Yes
Footpath – Spica Street to Constellation Park		\$180,000 or \$60,000	-,12,7,-,-,-	
Yilgarn Homes for the Aged - Courtyards	3	\$169,500	4,9,2,5,3,4	Yes
Electric Vehicle Charger		\$60,000	7,-,6,-,-,-	
All Ability Playground			-,6,14,-,-,-	
New Lighting Tower – Recreation Ground		\$50,000	-,3,8,10,9,2	Yes
Upgrade Constellation and Rotary Park BBQ's	2	\$ 24,000	3,5,9,2,5,1	Yes

Tourism Townsite Entrance Signage			-,-,-,7,4,-	
Interactive Information Signage		\$40,000 - \$80,000	8,7,13,6,7,-	Yes
New Stadium Flooring – Recreation Centre		\$60,000	-,11,12,-,-,-	
New Synthetic Bowling Green Surface \$200,000 (\$50,000 contribution by YBC)		\$150,000	-,4,5,8,10,-	No
Mobile Phone Tower			-,-,10,-,-,-	
Construction Turning Lane – Bennett/Moorine South Roads	6	\$100,000	1,8,11,9,8,-	Yes
Upgrade Sections Guerini/Panizza Road			-,15,-,-,-,5	
Nunn Road Culvert Upgrade			-,13,-,-,-,6	
Brennand Road Gravel Re-sheeting (2020/2021 Budget)			-,-,-,-,-,7	
Newland and Garbin Road Upgrade			-,14,-,-,-,8	
Sandalwood Road Upgrade			-,16,-,-,-,9	
		\$943,500		

One of the priorities, and questions posed within the Work Schedule, is local contractor content or expected number of full-time equivalent jobs generated over the construction period. As indicated in the above table, the majority of the projects meet this guideline with employment of local contractors and engaging Council's own workforce in undertaking these projects.

It should be noted that the Guidelines state that the funds have to be expended by **30 June 2021, subject to the following exceptions:-**

- where an Eligible Funding Recipient contributes at least 50% towards the total cost of a project, construction activity on the project may be undertaken until 30 June 2022 as long as the Australian Government's contribution covers the cost of construction activity to 30 June 2021, and all other Eligible Project requirements are met.
- Where agreed by the Department due to exceptional circumstances.

If construction activity cannot be completed during between 1 July 2020 and 30 June 2021, an Eligible Funding Recipient may not receive their full Nominal Funding Allocation.

Statutory Environment

Australian Government Guidelines in respect to COVID-19 Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program.

Strategic Implications

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil impact upon Council's Budget as projects fully funded by the Australian Government under the LRCI Program.

Officer Recommendation

That Council submits the following projects to the Australian Government's Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications for approval under the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program:-

<i>1. Swimming Pool Covers</i>	<i>\$ 60,000</i>
<i>2. Upgrade Constellation and Rotary Park BBQ's</i>	<i>\$ 24,000</i>
<i>3. Yilgarn Homes for the Aged Courtyards</i>	<i>\$169,500</i>
<i>4. Skatepark</i>	<i>\$220,000</i>
<i>5. Beaton Road Upgrade and Footpath to Cemetery</i>	<i>\$370,000</i>
<i>6. Construction Turning Lane – Bennett/Moorine Rock South Roads</i>	<i>\$100,000</i>
<i>TOTAL</i>	<i>\$943,500</i>