

# **MEMOS**

## **ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

**TUESDAY 22 AUGUST 2023** 



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#### **Ordinary Council Meeting**

#### Memo

#### Corporate & Legal 22 August 2023

To: Councillors

From: Acting Director Corporate & Legal

Date: 2 August 2023

Subject: Memo - Notice to Motion to Rescind Council's Resolution made on 1

August 2023 in respect of Item 15.4 - Notice of Motion No 19/2023 -

Promoting Community Discussion on "The Voice"

**Record Number:** 2023/486660

Attachments: NIL

Please be advised that the Chief Executive Officer has received a notice of motion to rescind Council's resolution in respect of Item 15.4 - Notice of Motion No 19/2023 - Promoting Community Discussion on "The Voice", made at last night's Council meeting (being the reconvened Council meeting following the adjournment of the Ordinary Council meeting of 27 June 2023).

The motion which is proposed to be rescinded is below:

#### That:

- 1. Staff consult with the local community and relevant organisations regarding their views on:
  - A. Amending the Australian Constitution to create a "Voice" to Parliament,
  - B. Any local events or activities they already are planning/participating in regarding the Voice.
  - C. What local role, activations, or activities, if any, Council could take to promote discussion and sharing of ideas regarding the Voice.
- 2. Staff report back to Councillors regarding 1) at a Councillor briefing.
- 3. A working group comprised of Councillors Bingham, Glanville and Grattan and other Councillors, and staff be formed to:
  - A. Consider the feedback obtained further to point 1 above,
  - B. Identify and action any events or activities council could facilitate, within existing budgets, to promote discussion and sharing of ideas regarding the Voice. This could be, for example, a local "Town Hall" of speakers with a range of well-informed views.
  - C. Identify and action any financial or in-kind support, within existing budgets, Council could offer to assist Aboriginal Stakeholders/organisation planning their own local activities and events concerning the Voice.
- 4. Staff provide an update report on the activities of the working group to the September Council meeting.
- 5. In the meantime, Council print additional copies of the Government's Information Booklet "Recognising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Through a Voice" for distribution at Council's libraries and by request by community groups.

We intend to list the notice of motion for consideration at the next Ordinary Council meeting, which is scheduled for 22 August 2023.

Corporate & Legal

22 August 2023

Please contact me on 8495 6428 should you wish to discuss this matter.

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