
2 COUNCILLOR MATTER - Councillor George Simon**File Number: CLM/17/1/1/6 - BP17/421**

Motion:

- a) That the General Manager write to the Minister for Local Government and the Office of Local Government informing them of Councillor Etmekdjian's 7 month sentence and conviction of dishonestly attempting to influence a Commonwealth official;
- b) That the General Manager request that the Office of Local Government investigate the affair as a matter of urgency;
- c) That the Mayor, as representative of the Council, write to Councillor Etmekdjian encouraging him to immediately resign from his position;
- d) That the General Manager, as soon as practicable, provide a legal briefing on matters that have been considered at Council since Councillor Etmekdjian entered a guilty plea on 24 January 2017 to ensure that the decisions of council have not been affected by the circumstances regarding Councillor Etmekdjian's conviction;
- e) That the General Manager conduct an internal investigation into matters relating to Councillor and Council staff's knowledge of Councillor Etmekdjian's legal affairs. The investigation should include:
 - Whether Councillor Etmekdjian made any councillors or council staff aware of the proceedings against him by the ATO?
 - Whether any Councillors or Council staff became aware of the proceedings against Councillor Etmekdjian including his guilty plea on 24 January 2017?
 - If any Councillors or Council Staff were aware of proceedings, what actions were taken to as a result of that knowledge?

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

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