

Central Desert Regional Council

2018/22 Regional Plan and Declaration of 2019/20 Rates and Charges

Central Desert Regional Council ("Council") advises that on 11th July 2019 the Council adopted the 2018/22 Council Regional Plan incorporating its 2019/20 Budget. The Regional Plan is now available from the Council's public offices or on its website at: www.centraldesert.nt.gov.au.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Local Government Act, the Council declared the following rates and charges in respect of the financial year ending 30 June 2020.

A copy of the assessment record is available for inspection, free of charge, at any of the council's public offices. A person may apply to the council for the correction of an entry in the assessment record.

Rates

Pursuant to section 155 of the Local Government Act ("Act"), Council declares that it intends to raise, for general purposes by way of rates, the amount of \$1,778,139.

Pursuant to section 148 of the Act, the basis of rates are a combination of:

- i. valuation based charges which are subject to minimum charges; and
- ii. fixed charges.

Pursuant to section 149 of the Act, the basis of assessed value is the unimproved capital value.

1. Residential

In respect of allotments classed as "Residential" in the council assessment record, a fixed charge of \$1,866.64 per allotment.

2. Business Commercial

In respect of allotments classed as "Business Commercial" in the council assessment record, a differential rate of 0.117739% of the unimproved capital value with the minimum amount payable in the application of this rate being \$1,866.64 multiplied by:

- i. the number of separate parts or units that are adapted for separate occupation or use (pursuant to section 148(4) of the Act) on each allotment; or
- ii. the number 1,

whichever is the greater.

3. Agriculture Commercial

In respect of allotments classed as "Agriculture Commercial" in the council assessment record, a differential rate of 0.117739% of the unimproved capital value with the minimum amount payable in the application of this rate being \$933.35 multiplied by:

- i. the number of separate parts or units that are adapted for separate occupation or use (pursuant to section 148(4) of the Act) on each allotment; or
- ii. the number 1,

whichever is the greater.

4. Pastoral leases under the Pastoral Land Act

In respect of allotments of land over which there is a pastoral lease, as defined in section 3 of the Pastoral Land Act, a rate of 0.0306% of the unimproved capital value with the minimum amount payable in the application of this rate being \$376.45.

5. Mining tenements

In respect of allotments of land which are subject to mining tenements as defined in the Local Government Act, a rate of 0.3475% of the unimproved capital value with the minimum amount payable in the application of this rate being \$890.96.

Note:

- i. Contiguous mining tenements or reasonably adjacent tenements held by

the same person will be rated as if they were a single tenement.

- ii. If the owner of the mining tenement is also the owner of another interest in the land and is liable for the rates for the other interest, the rates payable will be equivalent to the rates for the mining tenement or the rates for the other interest, whichever is the highest.

6. Special rate

Pursuant to Section 156 of the Act, the Council declares the Special rate "Animal Management" to assist with implementation of animal management in the area.

The Council intends to raise the amount of \$133,635 by way of this special rate.

This rate will be levied on all "Residential" allotments by application of a fixed charge of \$191.73 per allotment.

Charges

Pursuant to section 157 of the Act, Council declares the following charges for the purpose of kerbside garbage collection provided, or which council is willing and able to provide in Anmatjere, Atitjere, Engawala, Lajamanu, Laramba, Nyirripi, Willowra, Yuelamu and Yuendumu.

Council intends to raise \$1,102,458 by these charges.

7. Residential Waste Collection

In respect of allotments classed as "Residential" in the council assessment record, where Council is willing and able to provide the service, a charge of \$1,104.60 per bin per annum and additional charge of \$552.30 per additional bin requested by the ratepayer.

The service provided is a kerbside collection of the contents of one 240 litre bin per week and access to the Council's waste management facility for the purpose of depositing waste from the residential allotment, regardless of whether the services are used.

8. Business Commercial Waste Collection

In respect of allotments classed as "Business Commercial" in the council assessment record, where council is willing and able to provide the service, a charge of \$2,209.20 per bin and additional

charge of \$1,104.60 per additional bin requested by the ratepayer.

9. Payment

Council has resolved that the payment of rates and charges may be paid by two approximately equal instalments on the following dates:

first instalment due 30 November 2019; and

second instalment due 29 March 2020.

Pursuant to section 161(3) of the Act, Council resolved to relieve all ratepayers from the consequences of default in payment by instalment, to the extent of those instalments where the due date has not yet arrived. Where instalments of rates and charges are not paid on or before the date on which the instalment is due and payable:

- i. the date on which any future instalment is due and payable is not affected; and
- ii. the penalty for late payment, under item 10 below, shall be calculated only on the amount of the outstanding instalment on a daily basis from the date on which the missed instalment became due and payable, until the date payment is made.

A ratepayer who fails to abide by such conditions may either be sued for recovery of the principal amount of the rates and charges and late payment penalties; or a charge may be registered over the property or lease prior to potential sale of the property. Costs reasonably incurred by Council in recovering or attempting to recover the rates and charges will be recoverable from the ratepayer

10. Interest Rate for late payment

The relevant interest rate for the late payment of rates and charges is fixed in accordance with section 162 of the Act at the rate of 19% per annum.

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