

ITEM 12 NOTICE OF MOTION - COUNCILLOR RICHARD MARTIN - MOTION OF THANKS

Councillor Richard Martin has submitted the following Notice of Motion –

“I move that Councillors formally acknowledge the hard work of the executive team and all Council staff over the past months due to the weather events the city has been experiencing. A special mention goes to all the work crews who have ensured that our city was kept safe. We say a big thank you to the whole team for going beyond the call of duty.”

Background provided by Councillor Richard Martin:

Since December 2019 when the terrible bush fires engulfed the South Coast, Council staff have been operating in uncertain and challenging times. Since the fire there has been COVID-19. COVID-19 not only affected our residents and businesses but also many of our staff and their families. Now the recent rain event that caused flooding in every suburb of the city which has never happened before and hopefully will never happen again.

During this time all staff have had to pivot quickly to adjust budgets and work programs, while maintaining support and services to our community and this should be acknowledged.