JULY 2008 FINANCIALS – BRIEF NOTES

1 Operating Revenue vs Budget

\$4.918m UNFAV (2.82%)

Original Budget Current Budget \$473.943m \$473.943m

Actual \$169.203m Budget \$174.121m

July result is largely attributable to budget timings in relation to rates and utility charges (\$6.3m) and internal revenues mainly associated with the capital program (\$1.7m) partially offset by a favourable result in Fees and Charges revenue \$2.7m.

2 Employee Costs vs Budget

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\$.508m FAV (3.81%)

Original Budget Current Budget \$167.314m \$167.314m

Actual \$12.836m Budget \$13.344m

Employee costs as expected are closely tracking to budget.

Materials & Services vs Budget

\$6.691m FAV (36.22%)

Original Budget Current Budget \$222.861m \$222.861m

Actual \$11.783m Budget \$18.474m

Materials & services are significantly under budget. This is largely attributable to delays to the establishment of programs to complete budgeted operating and capital programs.

Capital Revenue vs Budget

\$1.687m FAV (48.35%)

Original Budget Current Budget \$50.302m \$50.302m

Actual \$5.175m Budget \$3.488m

The positive result for capital revenues mainly relates to the realisation of the market value of loans associated with the transfer of bulk water assets to the State Government \$2.5m.

Constructed Assets vs Budget

\$2.472m UNFAV (33.15%)

Original Budget Current Budget 163.116m 163.116m

Actual \$4.985m Budget \$7.457m

The completion of the capital program will again be challenging this FY. At the end of July or 8.3% of the year, 3.1% of the program has been completed.

CORPORATE SUMMARY

At the end of July 2008 the financial result for Council is in a neutral position. It is very early days in relation to Council's financial performance and a clearer picture will emerge after the first budget review which will occur at the end of September 2008.