

COUNCIL MINUTES

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CITY OF PALMERSTON

Minutes of Council Meeting held in Council Chambers Civic Plaza, Palmerston on Tuesday 4 July 2017 at 6.30pm.

Mark Blackburn
Manager

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Acknowledgement of Traditional Ownership

I respectfully acknowledge the past and present Traditional Custodians of this land on which we are meeting, the Larrakia people. It is a privilege to be standing on Larrakia country.

1 PRESENT

Elected Members: Mark Blackburn, Official Manager

Staff: Ricki Bruhn, Chief Executive Officer

Jan Peters, Director of Community Services

Malcolm Jones, Acting Director of Technical Services

Alyce Breed, Minute Secretary

Sharon Tollard, Library Services Manager

Gallery: Sarah May, Assistant Principal, Malak Re-engagement

Centre/Department of Education

Linda Hunt, Wellbeing Team Leader, Malak Re-engagement

Centre/Department of Education Russell Anderson, Investigator

Ian Abbott

10 members of the public

2 APOLOGIES

Nil.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

- 1. THAT the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held Thursday, 15 June 2017 pages 9232 to 9233, be confirmed.
- 2. THAT the Confidential Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held Thursday, 15 June 2017 pages 323 to 324, be confirmed.
- 3. THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting held Tuesday, 20 June 2017 pages 9234 to 9295, be confirmed.
- 4. THAT the Confidential Minutes of the Council Meeting held Tuesday, 20 June 2017 pages 325 to 327, be confirmed.

As there was no-one at the meeting in a position to confirm these minutes, these minutes will remain unconfirmed.

4 MAYOR'S REPORT M8-41

THAT Council receives Report Number M8-41.

CARRIED 8/2762 - 04/07/2017

5 REPORT OF DELEGATES

Nil.

6 QUESTIONS (WITHOUT DEBATE) FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil.

7 QUESTIONS (WITHOUT DEBATE) FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN

Nil.

8 PETITIONS

Nil.

9 DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

9.1 58 Georgina Crescent - Use of Council Space Presentation by Sarah May, Assistant Principal and Linda Hunt, Wellbeing Team Leader of Malak Re-engagement Centre/Department of Education.

10 CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil.

11 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

11.1 Governance and Organisation

Nil.

11.2 Economic Development and Infrastructure

Nil.

11.3 Community Culture and Environment

Nil.

12 INFORMATION AGENDA

12.1 Items for Exclusion

Nil.

12.2 Receipt of Information Reports

THAT the information items contained within the Information Agenda, be received.

CARRIED 8/2763 - 04/07/2017

13 DEBATE AGENDA

- 13.1 Officer Reports
 - 13.1.1 Zuccoli Aspire Sub-Stage 3 and Precinct C Street Names Proposal 8/1213
 - 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1213.
 - 2. THAT Council endorse the naming of the subject roads as listed within Zuccoli Aspire for lodgement with The Place Names Committee.

CARRIED 8/2764 - 04/07/2017

- 13.1.2 Sign and Seal Consent for Drainage Easement on Lot 10288 Tarakan Court, Johnston 8/1214
- 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1214.
- 2. THAT Council delegate authority to the Mayor and CEO to sign and seal Form 93 General Consent to enable the surrender of Crown Lease CLT 2351 for the purposes of converting Lot 10288 to freehold title.

CARRIED 8/2765 - 04/07/2017

13.1.3 TS2017/09 - Grounds Maintenance Palmerston West

8/1215

- 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1215.
- 2. THAT Council award contract TS2017/09 Grounds Maintenance Palmerston West to Paradise Landscaping (NT) Pty Ltd for the amount of \$417,601.45 (GST exclusive).
- 3. THAT the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer are granted consent to sign and seal all required contract documentation for the contract TS2017/09 Grounds Maintenance Palmerston West.

CARRIED 8/2766 - 04/07/2017

13.1.4 TS2017/08 – Grounds Maintenance Palmerston East

8/1216

- 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1216.
- 2. THAT Council award contract TS2017/08 Grounds Maintenance Palmerston East to Paradise Landscaping (NT) Pty Ltd for the amount of \$303,355.21 (GST exclusive).
- THAT the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer are granted consent to sign and seal all required contract documentation for the contract TS2017/08 – Grounds Maintenance Palmerston East.

CARRIED 8/2767 - 04/07/2017

13.1.5 TS2017/05 - Playground Refurbishment Various Locations

8/1217

THAT the matter lay on the table and be further considered at the Council meeting to be held on 18 July 2017.

CARRIED 8/2768 - 04/07/2017

13.1.6 TS2017/03 - Archer Landfill Rehabilitation - Stage 2

8/1218

- 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1218.
- THAT Council awards Lump Sum Contract TS2017/03 Archer Landfill Rehabilitation -Stage 2 - Option A to Aldebaran Contracting Pty Ltd for the lump sum of \$2,312,270.00 (exclusive of GST).
- 3. THAT Council approve the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer signing and sealing all required contract documentation for Contract TS2017/03 Archer Landfill Rehabilitation Stage 2 Option A.

CARRIED 8/2769 - 04/07/2017

13.1.7 EM04 Caretaker Policy

8/1219

- 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1219.
- 2. THAT Council adopt the amended EM04 Caretaker Policy.

13.1.8 Sign and Seal – Consent for Drainage Easement on Lot 8571 (28 McCourt Road), Yarrawonga 8/1220

- 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1220.
- 2. THAT Council delegate authority to the Mayor and CEO to sign and seal Form 93 General Consent to enable the surrender of Crown Lease CLT 2421 for the purposes of converting Lot 8571, Town of Palmerston to freehold title.

CARRIED 8/2771 - 04/07/2017

13.1.9 Drainage Easement – Lot 12777 (15) Seafury Ct, Zuccoli

8/1221

- 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1221.
- 2. THAT Council grants consent to the transfer of part drainage easement from Lot 12777 to Lot 14750 as part of the subdivision shown in Attachment B to Report Number 8/1221.
- 3. THAT Council grants consent to the transfer of part drainage easement from Lot 12777 to Lot 14751 as part of the subdivision shown in Attachment B to Report Number 8/1221.
- 4. THAT Council authorises the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to sign and seal Form 93, General consent to the transfer of part drainage easement from Lot 12777 to Lot 14750 and Lot 14751.

CARRIED 8/2772 - 04/07/2017

13.1.10 Marlow Lagoon Land Use Plan

8/1222

- 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1222.
- 2. THAT the Chief Executive Officer seek fee proposals for the preparation of a Marlow Lagoon Land Use Plan and be referred to the first quarter budget review in the 2018 financial year.

CARRIED 8/2773 - 04/07/2017

13.1.11 City Centre Parking Permits

8/1223

- 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1223.
- 2. THAT in recognition of the provision of frontline policing services being delivered from the Palmerston Police Station and the requirement for shift work to occur to provide these services to the community, Council accept the proposal from the NT Police for thirty (30) annual parking permits to be purchased.
- 3. THAT the Chief Executive Officer be delegated authority to issue additional annual parking permits, without charge, to the NT Police to assist with the scheduled shift work rotations at the Palmerston Police Station.
- 4. THAT the Fees and Charges register be amended to incorporate this decision.

13.1.12 Digital Strategy

8/1226

- 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1226.
- 2. THAT the draft City of Palmerston Digital Strategy be released for 21 days of public consultation beginning 5 July 2017, with submissions and suggested amendments being brought to Council for its consideration.

CARRIED 8/2775 - 04/07/2017

13.1.13 Expressions of Interest - Chief Executive Officer Performance Appraisal Contract 8/1228

THAT the matter lay on the table and that a further report will be considered following the completion of the investigation by the appointed investigator.

CARRIED 8/2776 - 04/07/2017

14 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

15 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

16 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The Manager answered the following questions from the members of the public:

Donald Young of Bellamack asked "In terms of the consultation for the budget that is available at the moment, if there are significant changes that you as the manager make following the closure of the consultation, does that mean you will put out a second proposed budget for consultation?"

The Manager responded "At this point in time the proposal is that the Municipal Plan is out for consideration, the submissions will come in, based on the submissions that come in then I will be required to make a decision on that budget. As you are aware during the course of the year there are opportunities to review and revise the budget on a quarterly basis of which has happened in the past at this particular Council. My intent is to endeavour to get a budget in place prior to the community consultation. As you'd be aware there is a requirement under the Local Government Act to have that budget in place by the 31 July and I will be working towards achieving that particular initiative."

Tricia Rudd from Driver asked "Does the scope of the investigation include the administrative staff of Council?"

The Manager responded "I'm appointed as the Manager to oversee the governance of the Council itself. There is an investigator who has been appointed, Russell Anderson, and he is to review all of the Councils functions, financials, government structures and performance of this particular Council which does address the administration of Council."

Donald young of Bellamack asked "At what point was the cost benefit analysis of the paid parking within the CBD done through the City and is there a plan to revisit all of the aspects of that cost benefit analysis given the economic changes that might have happened since that cost benefit analysis was done?"

The Manager took the question on notice.

lan Abbott of Farrar asked "The draft Municipal Plan doesn't reflect the \$2.7M cost saving that was gained tonight from the 3 tenders awarded. \$1M on the landscaping tender and \$1.7M saved on the Archer Landfill tender. How will this be reflected in the Municipal Plan?"

The Manager took the question on notice.

Trevor Miller of Woodroffe asked "Is Council able to seek special parking arrangements for Senior members attending advisory committees or official functions of Council?"

The Manager took the question on notice.

Dorothy Fox of Bakewell asked "Will Council also look into providing special parking arrangements for disabled parking in the CBD?"

The Manager took the question on notice.

Kym Yeowyard of Woodroffe asked "Whether the awarding and review of the contract of the YMCA will be taken into consideration by the investigator?"

The Manager took the question on notice.

OTHER BUSINESS

17.1 General Business

- 1. THAT during the term of the City of Palmerston being under official management, all scheduled meetings of Council's Standing Committees (Community, Culture & Environment, Governance and Organisation and Economic Development & Infrastructure) be suspended with all officer reports being presented directly to the Ordinary Meetings of Council.
- 2. THAT Staff provide a report on Procurement Policy FIN04, in particular the current operating procedure for the Tender Evaluation Panel and the weightings applied to the assessment criteria for each tender.

CARRIED 8/2777 - 04/07/2017

18 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

18.1 Confidential Action Report

8/1225

THAT pursuant to Section 65 of the Local Government Act, Council orders that the
public be excluded from the meeting with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer,
Acting Director of Technical Services, Director of Community Services and Minute
Secretary on the basis that Council considers it necessary and appropriate to act in a
manner closed to the public in order to receive, discuss and consider the report in

relation to confidential agenda item 18.1 Confidential Action Report and that Council is satisfied that the meeting should be conducted in a place open to the public is outweighed in relation to the matter because receiving, considering and discussing the report and associated documentation involves:

(e) information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential.

This item is considered confidential pursuant to Regulation 8 (e) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations.

THAT Council orders that the report from the Confidential Council Meeting held on 4
July 2017 in relation to item number 18.1 Confidential Action Report remain
confidential and not available for public inspection.

18.2 Sale of Lot 12965

8/1227

- 1. THAT pursuant to Section 65 of the Local Government Act, Council orders that the public be excluded from the meeting with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, Acting Director of Technical Services, Director of Community Services and Minute Secretary on the basis that Council considers it necessary and appropriate to act in a manner closed to the public in order to receive, discuss and consider the report and associated documents in relation to confidential agenda item 18.2 Sale of Lot 12965 and that Council is satisfied that the meeting should be conducted in a place open to the public is outweighed in relation to the matter because receiving, considering and discussing the report and associated documentation involves:
 - (c) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to:
 - (i) cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person: or

This item is considered confidential pursuant to Regulation 8 (c)(i) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations.

2. THAT Council orders that the minutes from the Confidential Council meeting held on 4 July 2017, in relation to confidential item number 18.2 Sale of Lot 12965, the report and associated documents remain confidential and not available for public inspection for a period of 2 years from the date of this meeting or a lesser period as determined by the Chief Executive Officer.

CARRIED 8/2778 - 04/07/2017

The meeting moved into the Confidential Session at 7:29pm.

CLOSURE

Meeting closed at 7.39pm