

## CITY OF PALMERSTON

**Minutes of Council Meeting  
held in Gray Community Hall  
Gray, Palmerston  
on Tuesday 6 November 2018 at 5:30pm.**

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### ELECTED MEMBERS

Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell  
Deputy Mayor Mick Spick  
Alderman Benjamin Giesecke  
Alderman Lucy Buhr  
Alderman Sarah Henderson  
Alderman Tom Lewis

### STAFF

Chief Executive Officer, Luccio Cercarelli  
Director City Growth and Operations, Gerard Rosse  
Director Corporate Services, Chris Kelly  
Manager Information and Digital Innovation, Richard Iap  
Manager Growth and Sustainability, Rebecca de Vries  
Communications Officer, Samantha Abdic  
Minute Secretary, Alyce Breed

### GALLERY

19 members of the public  
Will Zwar, NT News  
Melissa Mackay, Nine News  
MunLi Chee, Merit Partners  
Deb Camden, PRISM

## 1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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*I respectfully acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we are meeting - the Larrakia People - and pay my respects to their elders, past, present and future.*

## 2 OPENING OF MEETING

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The Mayor declared the meeting open at 5:30pm.

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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### 3.1 Apologies

Nil.

### 3.2 Leave of Absence Previously Granted

Moved: Deputy Mayor Spick

Seconded: Alderman Buhr

1. THAT it be noted Alderman Garden will be on leave of absence previously granted on 21 August 2018, for the period of 6 November to 7 November 2018 inclusive.
2. THAT it be noted Alderman Hale will be on leave of absence previously granted on 2 October 2018, for the period of 6 November to 18 November 2018 inclusive.

CARRIED 9/0328 - 06/11/2018

### 3.3 Leave of Absence Request

Moved: Deputy Mayor Spick

Seconded: Alderman Buhr

THAT the leave of absence received from Deputy Mayor Spick for 1 December to 4 December 2018 inclusive be received and noted.

CARRIED 9/0329 - 06/11/2018

## 4 REQUEST FOR TELECONFERENCING

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Nil.

## 5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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### 5.1 Elected Members

Nil.

### 5.2 Staff

Nil.

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

## 6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

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### 6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved: Alderman Buhr  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Spick

THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 16 October 2018 pages 9575 to 9581, be confirmed.

CARRIED 9/0330 - 06/11/2018

### 6.2 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

Nil.

## 7 MAYORAL REPORT

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### 7.1 Mayoral Update Report - October 2018

M9/006

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded: Alderman Giesecke

THAT Report Number M9/006 entitled Mayoral Update Report - October 2018 be received and noted.

CARRIED 9/0331 - 06/11/2018

## 8 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

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### 8.1 Deputations

Nil.

### 8.2 Presentations

Nil.

## 9 PUBLIC QUESTIONS (WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS)

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Nil.

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

**10** CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

10.1 Confidential Items

Moved: Deputy Mayor Spick  
Seconded: Alderman Giesecke

THAT pursuant to Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the following confidential items:

ITEM	REGULATION	REASON
23.1	8(a)	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act and 8(a) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations, which states municipal council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual.
25.2.1	8(c)(iv)	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act and 8(c)(iv) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations, whereby the public may be excluded while business of a kind classified as information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interest of the council or some other person is discussed.

CARRIED 9/0332 - 06/11/2018

10.2 Moving Open Items into Confidential

Nil.

10.3 Moving Confidential Items into Open

Nil.

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

## 11 PETITIONS

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### 11.1 Closure of Laneway – Sextant Court and Harrison Circuit Woodroffe

Moved: Alderman Henderson  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Spick

1. THAT the petition presented by Alderman Henderson on behalf of Mr B Dawes regarding the Closure of Laneway – Sextant Court and Harrison Circuit Woodroffe be tabled at the Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 6 November 2018.
2. THAT Council receives and notes petition dated 11 October 2018 by Mr B Dawes and that a report be presented to the Ordinary meeting of Council in December 2018 regarding the Closure of Laneway – Sextant Court and Harrison Circuit, Woodroffe petition.

CARRIED 9/0333 – 06/11/2018

## 12 NOTICES OF MOTION

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Nil.

## 13 OFFICERS REPORTS

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### 13.1 Receive and Note Reports

13.1.1 Lifestyle and Community Quarterly Report July – September 2018 9/0100

Moved: Alderman Lewis  
Seconded: Alderman Henderson

THAT Report Number 9/0100 entitled Lifestyle and Community Quarterly Report July – September 2018 be received and noted.

CARRIED 9/0334 – 06/11/2018

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 13.2 Action Reports

### 13.2.1 Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting 24 October 2018 9/0109

Moved: Alderman Henderson

Seconded: Mayor Pascoe-Bell

1. THAT Report Number 9/0109 entitled Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting 24 October 2018 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council receive and note the Risk Management and Audit Committee meeting minutes being **Attachment A** to Report Number 9/0109 entitled Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting 24 October 2018.
3. THAT Council endorse the recommendations from the Risk Management and Audit Committee meeting held on 24 October 2018:
  - a. THAT the Committee deems the Draft Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2018 at **Attachment A** (with minor amendments) and the accompanying financial review at **Attachment B** (with inclusion of feedback from the Risk Management and Audit Committee) to Report Number 9RMA/002 entitled Draft Annual Financial Statements 2017/2018 suitable for consideration by the Chief Executive Officer for certification and inclusion in the 2017/2018 Annual Report.
  - b. THAT the Committee express its appreciation of the professionalism and timeliness in the preparation of financial statements by the management team and external auditors.

CARRIED 9/0335 - 06/11/2018

### 13.2.2 End of Financial Year 2017/18 Reserve Allocation 9/0106

Moved: Alderman Buhr

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Spick

1. THAT Report Number 9/0106 entitled End of Financial Year 2017/18 Reserve Allocation be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopts the end of financial year reserve movements for 2017/18 of:
  - (i) Transfers to Reserve:
    - \$60,000 transferred to the Infrastructure Reserve.
    - \$1,776,000 transferred to the Unexpended Grants Reserve.
    - \$500,000 transferred to the Disaster Recovery Reserve.
    - \$140,000 transferred to the Strategic Initiative Reserve.

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

13.2.2 End of Financial Year 2017/18 Reserve Allocation (continued) 9/0106

(ii) Transfers from Reserve:

- \$360,000 transferred from the Waste Management Reserve.
- \$127,000 transferred from the City Centre Improvement Reserve.
- \$257,000 transferred from the Developer Funds in Lieu of Construction Reserve.

CARRIED 9/0336 – 06/11/2018

13.2.3 First Quarter Budget Review 2018/19 9/0104

Moved: Alderman Buhr

Seconded: Alderman Henderson

1. THAT Report Number 9/0104 entitled First Quarter Budget Review 2018/19 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopts the First Quarter Budget Review 2018/19, pursuant to Section 128 (2) of *Local Government Act* per **Attachment A** of Report Number 9/0104 entitled First Quarter Budget Review 2018/19.
3. THAT Council approves the budget to develop an Economic Development Plan funded from a grant from the Northern Territory Government for \$50,000 and a transfer from the Strategic Initiative Reserve of \$50,000.
4. THAT Council adopts the reserve movements for 2018/19 of:
  - (i) Transfer to reserve:
    - a. \$206,000 transferred to Waste Management Reserve.

Transfers from reserve:

- b. \$190,000 transferred from Strategic Initiatives Reserve.
- c. \$830,215 transferred from Infrastructure Reserve.
- d. \$90,000 transferred from Funds in Lieu of Construction Reserve.
- e. \$1,776,000 transferred from Unexpended Grants Reserve.

As per **Attachment B** of Report Number 9/0104 entitled Fourth Quarter Budget Review 2018/19.

CARRIED 9/0337 – 06/11/2018

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

13.2.4 Adoption of the Draft City of Palmerston Annual Report 2017/18 9/0107

Moved: Deputy Mayor Spick

Seconded: Alderman Henderson

1. THAT Report Number 9/0107 entitled Adoption of the Draft City of Palmerston Annual Report 2017/18 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopt the City of Palmerston Annual Report 2017/18 being **Attachment A** to Report Number 9/0107 entitled Adoption of the Draft City of Palmerston Annual Report 2017/18.
3. THAT Council note that in accordance with Section 199 of the *Local Government Act*, the adopted City of Palmerston Annual Report 2017/18 will be provided to the Minister for Housing and Community Development by 15 November 2018.

CARRIED 9/0338 – 06/11/2018

13.2.5 Community Benefit Scheme – Palmerston and Rural Seniors Committee Inc

9/0101

Moved: Alderman Lewis

Seconded: Alderman Henderson

1. THAT Report Number 9/0101 entitled Community Benefit Scheme – Palmerston and Rural Seniors Committee Inc be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve three (3) years Platinum Sponsorship to Palmerston and Rural Seniors Committee in the form of financial sponsorship being \$15,000 in 2018-2019, \$18,000 in 2019-2020 and \$20,000 in 2020-2021, to support the provision of the City of Palmerston Seniors Fortnight Program.

CARRIED 9/0339 – 06/11/2018

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_



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13.2.6 Multicultural Council NT Membership Renewal 2018/2019 9/0102

Moved: Deputy Mayor Spick

Seconded: Alderman Henderson

1. THAT Report Number 9/0102 entitled Multicultural Council NT Membership Renewal 2018/2019 be received and noted.

CARRIED 9/0340 - 06/11/2018

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell

Seconded: Alderman Buhr

2. THAT Mayor Pascoe-Bell be nominated as a City of Palmerston representative to the Multicultural Council of the Northern Territory Inc.

CARRIED 9/0341 - 06/11/2018

13.2.7 Driver Family Resource Centre Lease 9/0103

Moved: Alderman Henderson

Seconded: Alderman Buhr

1. THAT Report Number 9/0103 entitled Driver Family Resource Centre Lease be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the extension of Red Cross Australia's existing lease of Driver Family Resource Centre by one (1) year, to end 30 June 2020.

CARRIED 9/0342 - 06/11/2018

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

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**13.2.8 Recreation Centre In-Kind Support for Youth Activities 9/0105**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Spick

Seconded: Alderman Henderson

1. THAT Report Number 9/0105 entitled Recreation Centre In-Kind Support for Youth Activities be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve continued in-kind support by providing the Palmerston Recreation Centre with lights and airconditioning at no cost for after school and school holiday Youth Activities in the Palmerston Recreation Centre until 31 October 2019 and that Council will continue to work in collaboration with Northern Territory Government to support these activities.

**CARRIED 9/0343 - 06/11/2018**

**13.2.9 Council Policy Review - FIN18 Grants, Donations, Scholarships and Sponsorships 9/0108**

Moved: Alderman Lewis

Seconded: Alderman Henderson

1. THAT Report Number 9/0108 entitled Council Policy Review - FIN18 Grants, Donations, Scholarships and Sponsorships be received and noted.
2. THAT Council rescind City of Palmerston Policy Number FIN18 Grants, Donations, Scholarships and Sponsorships being **Attachment A** to Report Number 9/0108 entitled Council Policy Review - FIN18 Grants, Donations, Scholarships and Sponsorships.
3. THAT Council adopt City of Palmerston Policy FIN18 Grants, Donations, Scholarships and Sponsorships being **Attachment B** to Report Number 9/0108 entitled Council Policy Review - FIN18 Grants, Donations, Scholarships and Sponsorships, with identified minor administrative and formatting changes.

**CARRIED 9/0344 - 06/11/2018**

**13.2 Confidential Decisions moved into the Open Session**

**23.2 Northern Territory Aboriginal Justice Agreement**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Spick

Seconded: Alderman Buhr

THAT the confidential presentation by Leanne Liddle, Director of Aboriginal Justice Unit be received and noted.

**CARRIED 9/0356 - 06/11/2018**

**Initials:**

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## 14 INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

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14.1 Information

Nil.

14.2 Correspondence

Nil.

## 15 REPORT OF DELEGATES

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15.1 Tourism Top End

Moved: Alderman Henderson  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Spick

THAT the verbal report received by Alderman Henderson regarding Tourism Top End Meeting held in October 2018 be received and noted.

CARRIED 9/0345 - 06/11/2018

15.2 Palmerston Local Action Group

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded: Alderman Buhr

THAT the verbal report received by Mayor Pascoe-Bell regarding Palmerston Local Action Group meeting held in October 2018 be received and noted.

CARRIED 9/0346 - 06/11/2018

## 16 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

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Nil.

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

## 17 GENERAL BUSINESS

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### 17.1 Road Network Safety

Moved: Deputy Mayor Spick  
Seconded: Alderman Lewis

THAT a report be presented to Council at the 1<sup>st</sup> Ordinary Meeting in March 2019, which outlines existing programs, practices and/or planned initiatives and opportunities in relation to managing road network safety across the municipality.

CARRIED 9/0347 – 06/11/2018

### 17.2 Albert Borella VC DVD

Moved: Alderman Lewis  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Spick

THAT Council table the DVD entitled Albert Borella VC - An Incredible Journey presented by Alderman Lewis.

CARRIED 9/0348 – 06/11/2018

### 17.3 Palmerston Lakes Fishing

Moved: Alderman Buhr  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Spick

THAT a report be presented to Council by 2<sup>nd</sup> Ordinary Meeting in February 2019, which reviews fishing in Palmerston lakes including controls, options, community engagement, benefits and risks with a view of identifying any potential to increase the number of nominated lakes for fishing.

CARRIED 9/0349 – 06/11/2018

### 17.4 WW2 Heritage Site Letter

Moved: Alderman Lewis  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Spick

THAT Council receive and note the letter tabled by Alderman Lewis on behalf of Mr C Bock regarding WW2 Heritage Site in Palmerston at the Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 6 November 2018.

CARRIED 9/0350 – 06/11/2018

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

## 18 NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

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Moved: Deputy Mayor Spick  
Seconded: Alderman Lewis

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 20 November 2018 at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers, First Floor, Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace Palmerston.

CARRIED 9/0351 – 06/11/2018

## 19 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO PUBLIC

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Moved: Alderman Giesecke  
Seconded: Alderman Henderson

THAT pursuant to Section 65 (2) of the *Local Government Act* and Regulation 9 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential Items of the Agenda.

CARRIED 9/0352 – 06/11/2018

## 20 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON

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Moved: Deputy Mayor Spick  
Seconded: Alderman Giesecke

THAT the meeting be adjourned for 40 minutes for media liaison and meals.

CARRIED 9/0353 – 06/11/2018

The meeting adjourned at 6:31pm.

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Athina Pascoe-Bell  
MAYOR

Date:

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