

MINUTES

2nd Ordinary Council Meeting **Tuesday 21 June 2022**

The Ordinary Meeting of the City of Palmerston held in the Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston, NT 0830

COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of Council Meeting
held in Durack Community Arts Centre
33 Packard Avenue, Durack NT
on Tuesday 21 June 2022 at 5:30pm.

PRESENT

**ELECTED
MEMBERS**

Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell (Chair)
Deputy Mayor Amber Garden
Councillor Danielle Eveleigh
Councillor Mark Fraser
Councillor Sarah Henderson
Councillor Ben Giesecke
Councillor Damian Hale
Councillor Lucy Morrison

STAFF

Chief Executive Officer, Luccio Cercarelli
General Manager Community and Culture, Anna Ingram
General Manager Infrastructure, Nadine Nilon
Director of Finance and Governance , Wati Kerta
Minute Secretary, Chloe Hayes
Executive Support, Kristy Joyce

GALLERY

Nil

COUNCIL MINUTES

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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

The Chair declared the meeting open at 5.31pm.

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 Apologies

Nil

3.2 Leave of Absence Previously Granted

Nil

3.3 Leave of Absence Request

Moved: Councillor Eveleigh
Seconded: Councillor Morrison

1. THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Danielle Eveleigh for 27 June to 30 June 2022 inclusive be received and noted.
2. THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Danielle Eveleigh for 2 July to 3 July 2022 inclusive be received and noted.
3. THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Danielle Eveleigh for 4 July to 8 July 2022 inclusive be received and noted.
4. THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Danielle Eveleigh for 14 July to 16 July 2022 inclusive be received and noted.
5. THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Damian Hale for 30 June to 1 July 2022 inclusive be received and noted.
6. THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Damian Hale for 3 July to 6 July 2022 inclusive be received and noted.
7. THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Fraser for 21 June 2022 inclusive be received and noted.
8. THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Giesecke for 14 July to 17 July 2022 inclusive be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/394 – 21/06/2022

Initials: 

4 REQUEST FOR AUDIO/AUDIOVISUAL CONFERENCING

Moved: Councillor Eveleigh
Seconded: Councillor Hale

1. THAT Council approve the request for Audio/Audiovisual Conferencing received from Councillor Danielle Eveleigh who will be physically prevented from attending a meeting for the 1st Ordinary Council Meeting held on 5 July 2022 due to being more than 100 kilometres from the distance of the meeting on that date.
2. THAT Council approve the request for Audio/Audiovisual Conferencing received from Councillor Damian Hale who will be physically prevented from attending a meeting for the 1st Ordinary Council Meeting held on 5 July 2022 due to being more than 100 kilometres from the distance of the meeting on that date.

CARRIED 10/395 – 21/06/2022

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

5.1 Elected Members

Moved: Councillor Giesecke
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Garden

THAT the Declaration of Interest received from Deputy Mayor Amber Garden and Councillor Benjamin Giesecke for Item 25.1.1, be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/396 – 21/06/2022

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

THAT the Declaration of Interest received from Deputy Mayor Amber Garden and Councillor Benjamin Giesecke for Item 22.1 and 22.2 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/397 – 21/06/2022

5.2 Staff

Nil

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved: Councillor Eveleigh
Seconded: Councillor Morrison

1. THAT the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 19 May 2022 pages 10744 to 10746 be confirmed.
2. THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 7 June 2022 pages 10750 to 10760 be confirmed.

CARRIED 10/397 – 21/06/2022

Initials:



6.2 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

Nil

7 MAYORAL REPORT

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden
Seconded: Councillor Morrison

THAT Report entitled Mayoral Update Report - May 2022 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/399 – 21/06/2022

8 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

9 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS)

Nil

10 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

10.1 Moving Confidential Items into Open

10.1.1 Louw Group - Zuccoli Family Bistro

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

1. THAT the confidential Presentation by Hermanus Louw, Director at Louw Group on Zuccoli Family Bistro be received and noted.
2. THAT this item be moved to the open section of 21 June 2022 Council Meeting.

CARRIED 10/418 – 21/06/2022

10.2 Moving Open Items into Confidential

Nil

10.3 Confidential Items

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

THAT pursuant to Section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* the meeting be closed to the public to consider the following confidential items:

Item	Confidential Category	Confidential Clause
23.1	External Presentation Request	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the <i>Local Government</i>

Initials: 

COUNCIL MINUTES

		Act 2019 and section 51(1)(e) of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations 2021</i> , which states a 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 provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.
25.1.1	Contract and Tender Assessment and Award	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the <i>Local Government Act 2019</i> and section 51(1)(c)(i) of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations 2021</i> , which states a 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 that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

CARRIED 10/400 – 21/06/2022

11 PETITIONS

Nil

12 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

13 OFFICER REPORTS

13.1 Action Reports

13.1.1 Adoption of the Municipal Plan and Budget 2022-2023

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden
Seconded: Councillor Eveleigh

1. THAT Report entitled Adoption of the Municipal Plan and Budget 2022-2023 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopt the Elected Member Allowance for the 2022-23 financial year as outlined in the Draft Municipal Plan and Budget 2022-23.
3. THAT in accordance with Section 35(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* Council adopt the Draft Municipal Plan and Budget 2022-23 at **Attachment 13.1.1.1** to this report entitled Adoption of the Municipal Plan and Budget 2022-2023 that incorporates the commentaries and actions outlined in this report as City of Palmerston Municipal Plan and Budget 2022/23.

Initials: 

COUNCIL MINUTES

4. THAT Council writes to the respondents acknowledging and thanking them for their feedback on the Municipal Plan and Budget 2022-23 and identified actions.
5. THAT Council provide the adopted City of Palmerston Municipal Plan and Budget 2022-23 to the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet in accordance with Section 35 (2) of the *Local Government Act 2019* before the 30 June 2022 with a copy also provided to the Minister for Local Government.

CARRIED 10/401 – 21/06/2022

13.1.2 Declaration of Rates and Charges 2022/2023

Moved: Councillor Henderson
Seconded: Councillor Morrison

1. THAT the Council adopt the tabled document as replacement for Attachment 13.1.2.3.
2. THAT Report entitled Declaration of Rates and Charges 2022/2023 be received and noted.
3. THAT the Chief Executive Officer's Certificate of Assessment in accordance with Section 29(1) of the *Local Government (Accounting) Regulations* being **Attachment 13.1.2.1** be received and noted.
4. THAT Council receive and note changes to paragraph 6.a of the Declaration of Rates and Charges 2022/2023 at the replaced **Attachment 13.1.2.3** to Report entitled Declaration of Rates and Charges 2022/23
5. THAT Council adopt the Declaration of Rates and Charges under Section 237 of the *Local Government Act 2019* for 2022/2023 at the replaced **Attachment 13.1.2.3** to Report entitled Declaration of Rates and Charges 2022/2023
6. THAT Council note that in accordance with Section 241 of the Act, Council will publish the Declaration of Rates and Charges at **Attachment 13.1.2.3** to Report entitled Declaration of Rates and Charges 2022/2023 on its website and in the newspaper advising residents of the Rates and Charges for 2022/2023.
7. THAT Council note in accordance with Section 289 of the Act, Council will publish the optional bin charges in its Fees and Charges for 2022/2023.

CARRIED 10/402 – 21/06/2022

13.1.3 Adoption of Long-Term Financial Plan 2023-2032

Moved: Councillor Hale
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Garden

1. THAT Report entitled Adoption of Long-Term Financial Plan 2023-2032 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopts **Attachment 13.1.3.1** to Report entitled Adoption of Long-Term Financial Plan 2023-2032 as City of Palmerston's Long-Term Financial Plan 2023-2032.

CARRIED 10/403 – 21/06/2022

Initials:



13.1.4 Council Policy - Accountable Forms (Members and CEO)

Moved: Councillor Henderson
Seconded: Councillor Eveleigh

1. THAT Report entitled Council Policy - Accountable Forms (Members and CEO) be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopts Council Policy - Accountable Forms (Members and CEO) being **Attachment 13.1.4.1** to report entitled Council Policy - Accountable Forms (Members and CEO).

CARRIED 10/404 - 21/06/2022

13.1.5 Council Policy - Gifts and Benefits policy (CEO)

Moved: Councillor Morrison
Seconded: Councillor Hale

1. THAT Report entitled Council Policy - Gifts and Benefits policy (CEO) be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopt Council Policy Gifts and Benefits for Chief Executive Officer being **Attachment 13.1.5.1** to report entitled Council Policy - Gifts and Benefits policy (CEO) with the definition for Protocol Gift amended to 'means a gift or benefit given to the Chief Executive Officer for diplomatic, ceremonial or symbolic purposes that will not be sold or transferred (unless diplomatic, ceremonial or symbolic circumstances allow)'.

CARRIED 10/405 - 21/06/2022

13.1.6 Rating Policy and Concession Policy

Moved: Councillor Henderson
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Garden

1. THAT Report entitled Rating Policy and Concession Policy be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the *FIN02 Rating Policy* as presented as **Attachment 13.1.6.1** to Report entitled Rating Policy and Concession Policy
3. THAT Council approve a Rates Concession Workshop to be held in September 2022.
4. THAT Council approve and amend the due date for the *FIN17 Rates Concession Policy* from 30 June 2022 to 31 December 2022 (**Attachment 13.1.6.2**) and to be presented to Council at the First Ordinary Council Meeting of 6 December 2022.

CARRIED 10/406 - 21/06/2022

13.1.7 Energy Efficiency and Sustainability Grant Acquittal

Moved: Councillor Eveleigh
Seconded: Councillor Hale

1. THAT Report entitled Energy Efficiency and Sustainability Grant Acquittal be received and noted.

Initials: 

COUNCIL MINUTES

2. THAT Council approves the acquittal of the Energy Efficiency and Sustainability Grant, **Attachment 13.1.7.1**, for the internal lights upgrade for the Palmerston Library and the Palmerston Recreational Centre.

CARRIED 10/407 – 21/06/2022

13.2 Receive and Note Reports

13.2.1 Financial Report for the Month of May 2022

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden
Seconded: Councillor Eveleigh

THAT Report entitled Financial Report for the Month of May 2022 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/408 – 21/06/2022

13.2.2 myPalmerston May Update

Moved: Councillor Hale
Seconded: Councillor Morrison

THAT Report entitled myPalmerston May Update be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/409 – 21/06/2022

13.2.3 Community Benefit Scheme - June 2022 Update

Moved: Councillor Morrison
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Garden

THAT report entitled Community Benefit Scheme - June 2022 Update be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/410 – 21/06/2022

14 INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

14.1 Information

14.1.1 Correspondence from Her Honour the Honourable Vicki O'Halloran AO

Moved: Councillor Eveleigh
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

THAT correspondence received from the Her Honour the Honourable Vicki O'Halloran AO Administrator of the Northern Territory dated 9 June 2022 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/411 – 21/06/2022

14.2 Correspondence

Nil

Initials: 

COUNCIL MINUTES

15 REPORT OF DELEGATES

Nil

16 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

Moved: Councillor Henderson
Seconded: Councillor Morrison

THAT the question asked by Councillor Henderson regarding progress on Durack Community Arts Centre air conditioning, and the response provided by the General Manager be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/412 – 21/06/2022

17 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

18 NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Moved: Councillor Hale
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Garden

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 5 July 2022 at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston.

CARRIED 10/413 – 21/06/2022

19 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO PUBLIC

Moved: Councillor Henderson
Seconded: Councillor Eveleigh

THAT pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1)(a) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the Agenda.

CARRIED 10/414 – 21/06/2022

20 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON

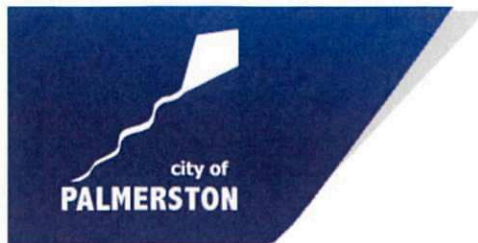
Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

THAT the meeting be adjourned for 10 minutes for media liaison.

CARRIED 10/415 – 21/06/2022

The meeting adjourned at 6:02pm.

Initials: 



COUNCIL MINUTES

The open section of the meeting closed at 6:12pm for the discussion of confidential matters.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 7:33pm.

Chair

Print Name

Date

Initials: _____