

MINUTES

1st Ordinary Council Meeting **Tuesday 16 August 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 Council Chambers
Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston
on Tuesday 16 August 2022 at 5:30pm.

PRESENT

ELECTED MEMBERS

Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell (Chair)
Deputy Mayor Amber Garden
Councillor Mark Fraser
Councillor Sarah Henderson
Councillor Ben Giesecke (*via audiovisual*)
Councillor Damian Hale

STAFF

Chief Executive Officer, Luccio Cercarelli
Acting General Manager Infrastructure, Peter Lander
Director of Finance and Governance , Wati Kerta
Minute Secretary, Chloe Hayes
Executive Assistant to General Manager of Infrastructure,
Cara Currie

GALLERY

Three members of staff

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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

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden

Seconded: Councillor Henderson

THAT it be noted Councillor Morrison will be on leave of absence as previously granted on 19 July 2022, for the period of 12 August to 30 August 2022 inclusive.

CARRIED 10/481 – 16/08/2022

3.3 Leave of Absence Request

Moved: Councillor Fraser

Seconded: Councillor Henderson

1. THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Hale for 17 August to 22 August 2022 inclusive be received and noted.
2. THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Eveleigh for 5 August to 19 August inclusive be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/482 – 16/08/2022

4 REQUEST FOR AUDIO/AUDIOVISUAL CONFERENCING

Moved: Councillor Fraser

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Garden

THAT Council note the request for Audio/Audiovisual Conferencing received from Councillor Giesecke who will be physically prevented from attending a meeting due to being a greater distance than 100km from the place of meeting.

CARRIED 10/483 – 16/08/2022

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

5.1 Elected Members

Nil

Initials: 

5.2 Staff

Nil

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved: Councillor Fraser

Seconded: Councillor Henderson

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 2 August 2022 pages 10802 to 10813 be confirmed.

CARRIED 10/484 - 16/08/2022

6.2 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

Nil

7 MAYORAL REPORT

Nil

8 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

9 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS)

Nil

10 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

10.1 Moving Confidential Items into Open

Nil

10.2 Moving Open Items into Confidential

Nil

10.3 Confidential Items

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden

Seconded: Councillor Fraser

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:

Initials: 

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Item	Confidential Category	Confidential Clause
25.1.1	Legal Advice	<p>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)(a) 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 about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual.</p> <p>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)(d) 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 subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.</p> <p>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)(ii) 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 prejudice the maintenance or administration of the law.</p>
25.1.2	Council Committee Recommendations	<p>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)(iv) 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 prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.</p>

CARRIED 10/485 – 16/08/2022

11 PETITIONS

Nil

12 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

13 OFFICER REPORTS

Initials: 

13.1 Action Reports

13.1.1 Social Media Strategy Consultation Outcomes

Moved: Councillor Fraser
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Garden

1. THAT Report entitled Social Media Strategy Consultation Outcomes be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopts the Social Media Strategy, as presented as **Attachment 13.1.1.1** to report entitled Social Media Strategy Consultation Outcomes.
3. THAT a Social Media Policy be developed and presented to Council by the second ordinary meeting in September 2022.

CARRIED 10/486 – 16/08/2022

13.1.2 Animal Management By-Laws Update

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

THAT Report entitled Animal Management By-Laws Update be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/487 – 16/08/2022

13.1.3 Financial Report for the Month of July 2022

Moved: Councillor Hale
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

1. THAT Report entitled Financial Report for the Month of July 2022 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopts a financial reporting threshold of \$150,000 per individual capital project for the purposes of the quarterly report on major capital projects expenditure.

CARRIED 10/488 – 16/08/2022

13.1.4 Risk Management and Audit Committee Minutes - 26 July 2022

Moved: Councillor Hale
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

1. THAT the Council adopt the tabled document as replacement for Attachment 13.1.4.1.
2. THAT Report entitled Risk Management and Audit Committee Minutes - 26 July 2022 be received and noted.

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3. THAT the unconfirmed Risk Management and Audit Committee minutes provided as **Attachment 13.1.4.1** to report entitled Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting Minutes – 26 July 2022 be received and noted.
4. THAT Council endorse the recommendations from the Risk Management & Audit Committee meeting held on 26 July 2022:
 - a. THAT a report is presented to the Risk Management and Audit Committee in relation to the ERP implementation project including risk identification and timing by the 25 October 2022 Risk Management and Audit Committee meeting.
 - b. THAT the Control Improvement Plan Register be updated to reflect that the IT Disaster Recovery Plan is complete.
 - c. THAT Attachment 9.1.3.1 presented in the Report entitled Strategic Asset Management Plan is adopted.
 - d. THAT Control Improvement Plan Register be updated to reflect the completion of the Strategic Asset Management Plan.

CARRIED 10/489 – 16/08/2022

13.2 Receive and Note Reports

13.2.1 Community Benefit Scheme Update July 2022

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden
Seconded: Councillor Hale

THAT Report entitled Community Benefit Scheme Update July 2022 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/490 – 16/08/2022

13.2.2 myPalmerston July update

Moved: Councillor Fraser
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Garden

THAT Report entitled myPalmerston July update be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/491 – 16/08/2022

14 INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

14.1 Information

Nil

Initials: 

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14.2 Correspondence

Nil

15 REPORT OF DELEGATES

Nil

16 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

Nil

17 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

18 NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Moved: Councillor Hale
Seconded: Councillor Fraser

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 6 September 2022 at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston.

CARRIED 10/492 - 16/08/2022

19 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO PUBLIC

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden
Seconded: Councillor Fraser

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 10/493 - 16/08/2022

20 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON

Nil

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 6.37pm.


Chair

Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell
Print Name

6/09/2022
Date

Initials: _____