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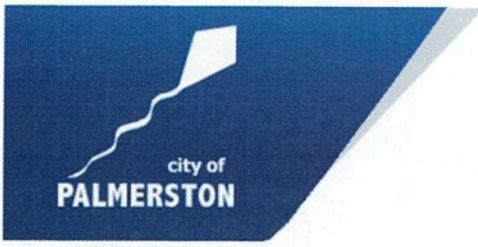
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PALMERSTON
'A Place for People'

MINUTES

2nd Ordinary Council Meeting Tuesday 20 August 2024

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

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Minutes of Council Meeting
held in Council Chambers
Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston
on Tuesday 20 August 2024 at 5:30pm.

PRESENT

ELECTED MEMBERS

Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell (Chair)
Deputy Mayor Mark Fraser
Councillor Benjamin Giesecke
Councillor Damian Hale
Councillor Lucy Morrison
Councillor Sarah Henderson

STAFF

Chief Executive Officer, Luccio Cercarelli
General Manager Infrastructure, Nadine Nilon
General Manager Finance and Governance, Wati Kerta
General Manager Community, Konrad Seidl
Minute Secretary, Jodi Holden

GALLERY

Three members of staff

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1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

City of Palmerston acknowledges the Larrakia people as the Traditional Custodians of the Palmerston region. We pay our respects to the Elders past, present and future leaders and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

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

THAT it be noted Councillor Garden will be on leave of absence as previously granted on 20 February 2024, for the period of 19 August to 26 August 2024 inclusive.

3.3 Leave of Absence Request

Nil

4 REQUEST FOR AUDIO/AUDIOVISUAL CONFERENCING

Nil

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

5.1 Elected Members

Nil

5.2 Staff

Nil

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved: Councillor Hale
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Fraser

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 6 August 2024 pages 11404 to 11415 be confirmed.

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6.2 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

Nil

7 MAYORAL REPORT

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Fraser

THAT Report entitled Mayoral Update Report - July 2024 be received and noted.

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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 Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Morrison

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:

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		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.
25.2.1	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)(b) 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 personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer.</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> <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>

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11 PETITIONS

Nil

12 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

13 OFFICER REPORTS

13.1 Action Reports

13.1.1 2024 Palmerston Youth Festival

Moved: Councillor Henderson

Seconded: Councillor Morrison

1. THAT Report entitled 2024 Palmerston Youth Festival be received and noted.
2. THAT the Mayor write to Chief Minister thanking the Northern Territory Government for the ongoing partnership for the delivery of the Palmerston Youth Festival 2024, highlighting this year's success.

CARRIED 10/1474 - 20/08/2024

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13.1.2 Community Benefit Scheme - Korean Association

Moved: Councillor Morrison

Seconded: Councillor Giesecke

1. THAT Report entitled Community Benefit Scheme - Korean Association be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorses this grant agreement with the Korean Association in Australia Northern Territory Inc for \$3,400 to support Chuseok – Korean Thanksgiving on 15 September 2024 as per **Attachment 13.1.2.1** contained in this report entitled Community Benefit Scheme - Korean Association.

CARRIED 10/1475 – 20/08/2024

13.1.3 2023-24 Capital Rollover

Moved: Deputy Mayor Fraser

Seconded: Councillor Henderson

1. THAT Report entitled 2023-24 Capital Rollover be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopts the capital works rollover movements of \$5,555,650.51 as identified in **Attachment 13.1.3.1** contained in the Report entitled 2023-24 Capital Rollover, from the 2023-24 financial year to the 2024-25 financial year.
3. THAT Council adopts the capital works rollover movements effective as at 30 June 2024
 - \$3,900,158.19 transferred to Unexpended Capital Works Reserve
 - \$1,655,492.32 will remain in Grants Liability
4. THAT Council adopts the capital works rollover movements and associated expenditure effective as at 1 July 2024 of:
 - \$3,900,158.19 transferred from Unexpended Capital Works Reserve
 - \$1,655,492.32 recognised as Capital income, reducing the Unexpended Grants Liability
5. THAT Council adopts the following transfers of funds back into the Reserves effective 30 June 2024
 - \$205,795.70 transferred to Developers Funds In Lieu of Construction
 - \$1,468,583.83 transferred to Unexpended Capital Works Reserve and funding allocation to be reassessed for allocation through 2024-25 budget reviews as relevant to each project
6. THAT Council notes that the capital works rollover movements and associated income and expenditure as of 1 July 2024 will be included in the First Budget Review 2024-25 and amendment of the Long-Term Financial Plan for 2025-2034 and will be presented to council for adoption.
7. THAT Council adopts the transfer of \$498,968.45 from Unexpended Capital Works Reserve on the award of TS2024-06 Playground Refurbishment at Marlow Lagoon and Sanctuary Lakes.

CARRIED 10/1476 – 20/08/2024

Initials: 

13.1.4 Immediate Priority Grant Interim Acquittals

Moved: Councillor Morrison
Seconded: Councillor Hale

1. THAT Report entitled Immediate Priority Grant Interim Acquittals be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approves the interim acquittal of the Immediate Priority Grant 2021-22 at Attachment **13.1.4.1** contained in this Report entitled Immediate Priority Grant Interim Acquittals.
3. THAT Council approves the interim acquittal of the Immediate Priority Grant 2022-23 at Attachment **13.1.4.2** contained in this Report entitled Immediate Priority Grant Interim Acquittals.

CARRIED 10/1477 – 20/08/2024

13.1.5 Council Policy Review - Breach of Code of Conduct by Elected Member

Moved: Deputy Mayor Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

1. THAT Report entitled Council Policy Review – Breach of Code of Conduct by Elected Member be received and noted.
2. THAT Council rescinds the Breach of Code of Conduct by Elected Member Policy at **Attachment 13.1.5.2** to the Report entitled Council Policy Review - Breach of Code of Conduct by Elected Member.
3. THAT Council adopts the Breach of Code of Conduct by Elected Member Policy at **Attachment 13.1.5.4** to the Report entitled Council Policy Review - Breach of Code of Conduct by Elected Member.

CARRIED 10/1478 – 20/08/2024

13.2 Receive and Note Reports

13.2.1 Community Benefit Scheme - July Update

Moved: Councillor Henderson
Seconded: Councillor Hale

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

CARRIED 10/1479 – 20/08/2024

13.2.2 Major Capital Projects Update - August 2024

Moved: Deputy Mayor Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Morrison

THAT Report entitled Major Capital Projects Update - August 2024 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/1480 – 20/08/2024

13.2.3 Financial Report - July 2024

Moved: Councillor Morrison
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

THAT Report entitled Financial Report - July 2024 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/1481 – 20/08/2024

13.2.4 Creative Industries Plan 2023 - 2027 Update

Moved: Councillor Morrison
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Fraser

THAT Report entitled Creative Industries Plan 2023 - 2027 Update be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/1482 – 20/08/2024

13.2.5 Parking Meters Update

Moved: Deputy Mayor Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

THAT Report entitled Parking Meters Update be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/1483 – 20/08/2024

14 INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

14.1 Information

Nil

14.2 Correspondence

14.2.1 City of Darwin Update on Parking Meters

Moved: Councillor Henderson
Seconded: Councillor Morrison

THAT correspondence dated 8 August 2024 received from Simone Saunders, Chief Executive Officer, City of Darwin regarding Update on City of Darwin Parking Meters 14.2.1 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/1484 – 20/08/2024

15 REPORT OF DELEGATES

Nil

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16 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

Moved: Deputy Mayor Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

THAT the questions asked by Deputy Mayor Fraser regarding large potholes in Pinelands not being fixed, lack of lighting at night in Sanctuary Lakes Playground when events are held and the storm water drain issue, and the response provided by the Chief Executive Officer be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/1485 – 20/08/2024

17 GENERAL BUSINESS

17.1 Lighting of Regional Playground Equipment

Moved: Deputy Mayor Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Morrison

THAT a report be prepared regarding the feasibility to light Regional Parks Playground equipment by the second ordinary council meeting in October 2024.

CARRIED 10/1486 – 20/08/2024

18 NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Moved: Deputy Mayor Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 3 September 2024 at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston.

CARRIED 10/1487 – 20/08/2024

19 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO PUBLIC

Moved: Deputy Mayor Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Morrison

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 10/1488 – 20/08/2024

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20 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON

Nil

The open section of the meeting closed at 6.21pm for the discussion of confidential matters.

The closed section of the meeting reopened at 6.22pm.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 7.18pm.



Chair

Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell

Print Name

3 September 2024

Date

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