



MINUTES

Special Meeting

Thursday 14 November 2024

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

Council business papers can be viewed on the City of Palmerston website www.palmerston.nt.gov.au

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Minutes of Special Council Meeting
held in Council Chambers
Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston
on Thursday 14 November 2024 at 5:30pm.

PRESENT

ELECTED MEMBERS

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

STAFF

Chief Executive Officer, Amelia Vellar
General Manager Finance and Governance, Wati Kerta
(*via Audio/Audiovisual*)
General Manager Community, Konrad Seidl
Minute Secretary, Kate Roberts

GALLERY

Nil

Initials: 

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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 5.32pm.

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 Apologies

Moved: Deputy Mayor Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

1. THAT the apology received from Councillor Eveleigh for 14 November 2024 be received and noted.
2. THAT the apology received from Councillor Garden for 14 November 2024 be received and noted.

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3.2 Leave of Absence Request

Nil

4 REQUEST FOR AUDIO/AUDIOVISUAL CONFERENCING

THAT it be noted the following Elected Members have been granted attendance via Audio/Audiovisual Conferencing for this meeting in accordance with the policy:

*Councillor Giesecke
Councillor Hale*

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

5.1 Elected Members

Nil

5.2 Staff

Nil

Initials: 

6 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

6.1 Confidential Items

Moved: Councillor Morrison
Seconded: Deputy Mayor 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:

Item	Confidential Category	Confidential Clause
10.1.1	Council Performance, Service Delivery and Budget Review	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 (6/0) – 10/1616 – 14/11/2024

7 OFFICER REPORTS

7.1 Action Reports

7.1.1 Annual Report and Financial Statements

Moved: Deputy Mayor Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

1. THAT Report entitled Annual Report and Financial Statements be received and noted.
2. THAT Council retrieve from the table the Report entitled Annual Report and Financial Statements from the 5 November 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting.
3. THAT the Recommendation 2 contained in the Report entitled Annual Report and Financial Statements from the 5 November 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting be replaced with the following recommendations:
 - i) THAT Council adopts the following documents as attached to the Report entitled Annual Report and Financial Statements at the 14 November 2024 Special Council meeting, following the provision of the unmodified Audit Opinion:
 - a. the 2023/24 Annual Report and
 - b. the Financial Performance Overview and
 - c. the 2023/24 Audited Financial Statements

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Initials: 

7.2 Receive and Note Reports

Nil

8 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO PUBLIC

Moved: Councillor Morrison
Seconded: Deputy Mayor 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.

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The open section of the meeting closed at 5.43pm for the discussion of confidential matters.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 5.47pm.



Chair



Print Name



Date

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