

# MINUTES

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## VIBRANT ECONOMY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY 28 APRIL 2026

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

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Minutes of Vibrant Economy Advisory Committee Meeting  
held in Council Chambers  
Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston  
on Tuesday 28 April 2026 at 5:30pm.

**PRESENT**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Councillor Lucy Morrison (Chair)  
Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell, Ex-Officio  
Rick Burgess Department of the Chief Minister  
and Cabinet Representative  
Chowdhury Md Sadaruddin, Community Member  
Christopher Lay, Property Council Representative  
Colin Southam, Business or Property Association  
Karlie Archer, Local Business Owner Representative  
Michelle Murphy, Local Business Owner Representative

**STAFF**

Chief Executive Officer, Andrew Walsh  
Acting General Manager People and Place, Becky Saywell  
General Manager Community, Konrad Seidl  
City Activation Manager, Matthew McNamara  
Acting City Activation Manager, Sophie Walkington  
Economic Development Lead, Caroline Villaflor  
Marketing and Communications Manager, Taylor Revitt  
Minute Secretary, Emily Dehne

**GALLERY**

Nil members of the public  
Nil 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 5:30pm.

# 3 APOLOGIES

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded: Colin Southam

THAT the apology received from Councillor Mark Fraser for 28 April 2026 be received and noted.

CARRIED (8/0) - VEAC11/01 - 28/04/2026

# 4 AUDIO/AUDIOVISUAL CONFERENCING

## 4.1 Request for audio/audiovisual conferencing

Nil

## 4.2 Audio/Audio visual conferencing previously granted

Nil

# 5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

## 5.1 Committee members

Nil

## 5.2 Staff

Nil

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## 6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

### 6.1 Confirmation of minutes

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded: Councillor Morrison

THAT the Minutes of the Vibrant Economy Advisory Committee Meeting held on 29 April 2025 pages 47 to 51 be confirmed.

CARRIED (8/0) - VEAC11/02 - 28/04/2026

### 6.2 Business arising from previous meeting

Nil

## 7 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

## 8 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

### 8.1 Moving confidential items into open

Nil

### 8.2 Moving open items into confidential

Nil

### 8.3 Confidential items

Nil

## 9 OFFICER REPORTS

### 9.1 Action reports

Nil

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## 9.2 Receive and note reports

### 9.2.1 Invest Palmerston Update

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded: Christopher Lay

THAT Report entitled Invest Palmerston Update be received and noted.

**CARRIED (8/0) - VEAC11/03 - 28/04/2026**

### 9.2.2 Consumer Spending - Tropical Cyclone Fina 2025

Moved: Colin Southam  
Seconded: Councillor Morrison

THAT Report entitled Consumer Spending - Tropical Cyclone Fina 2025 and Attachment 9.2.2.1 be received and noted.

**CARRIED (8/0) - VEAC11/04 - 28/04/2026**

### 9.2.3 City of Palmerston's The Business Social Event

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded: Michelle Murphy

THAT Report entitled City of Palmerston's The Business Social Event be received and noted.

**CARRIED (8/0) - VEAC11/05 - 28/04/2026**

## 10 INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

### 10.1 Information

Nil

### 10.2 Correspondence

Nil

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# 11 GENERAL BUSINESS

## 11.1 Community Plan Health Check Community Consultation

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded: Michelle Murphy

THAT the verbal discussion regarding the City of Palmerston Community Plan Health Check Community Consultation be received and noted.

CARRIED (8/0) - VEAC11/06 - 28/04/2026

# 12 NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

Moved: Colin Southam  
Seconded: Michelle Murphy

THAT the next Vibrant Economy Advisory Committee Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 28 July 2026 at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston.

CARRIED (8/0) - VEAC11/07 - 28/04/2026

# 13 CLOSURE OF MEETING

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded: Michelle Murphy

THAT the meeting of the Vibrant Economy Advisory Committee held in Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, Palmerston on 28 April 2026 closed at 7:07pm.

CARRIED (8/0) - VEAC11/08 - 28/04/2026

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 7:07pm.

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Chair

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Print Name

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Date

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