

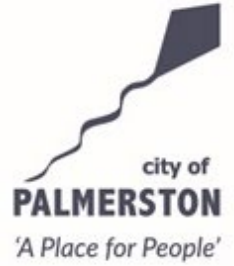
MINUTES

1st ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY 5 MAY 2026

The Ordinary 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 Council Meeting
held in Council Chambers
Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston
on Tuesday 5 May 2026 at 5:30pm.

PRESENT

ELECTED MEMBERS

Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell (Chair)
Deputy Mayor Wayne Bayliss
Councillor Damian Hale
Councillor Lucy Morrison
Councillor Mark Fraser
Councillor Rob Waters
Councillor Sarah Henderson
Councillor Yolanda Kanyai

STAFF

Chief Executive Officer, Andrew Walsh
Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Nadine Nilon
Acting General Manager Finance and Governance, Penny Hart
General Manager Community, Konrad Seidl
General Manager People and Place, Emma Blight
Minute Secretary, Kate Roberts

GALLERY

Nil members of the public
4 members of staff

Initials: 

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

Nil

4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

4.1 Elected members

Nil

4.2 Staff

Nil

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 Confirmation of minutes

Moved: Councillor Henderson

Seconded: Councillor Kanyai

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 21 April 2026 pages 12116 to 12127 be confirmed.

CARRIED (8/0) - 11/0361 - 5/05/2026

5.2 Business arising from previous meeting

Nil

6 MAYORAL REPORT

Nil

Initials: 

7 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

8 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS)

Nil

9 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

9.1 Moving confidential items into open

Nil

9.2 Moving open items into confidential

Nil

9.3 Confidential items

Moved: Deputy Mayor Bayliss
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
26.1.1	Council Committee Recommendations	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, 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.

Initials: 

26.2.1	Council Committee Recommendations	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, 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.
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CARRIED (8/0) - 11/0362 - 5/05/2026

10 PETITIONS

Nil

11 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

12 OFFICER REPORTS

12.1 Action reports

12.1.1 Zuccoli Community Hub - Stage 3 Concept Design

Moved: Councillor Hale
 Seconded: Councillor Kanyai

1. THAT Report entitled Zuccoli Community Hub - Stage 3 Concept Design be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse the concept design for Stage 3 of the Zuccoli Community Hub, which includes the updated site layout shown in **Attachment 12.1.1.1** and the occupancy plan for the buildings shown in **Attachment 12.1.1.2** for a community engagement commencing in May 2026.
3. THAT Council receive a report on the outcomes of the community engagement phase by the second Ordinary Meeting in June 2026.

CARRIED (8/0) - 11/0363 - 5/05/2026

Initials: 

12.1.2 Animal Management Plan Review Consultation

Moved: Councillor Henderson

Seconded: Councillor Morrison

THAT the matter lie on the table pending feedback from Council to be incorporated in the Draft Animal Management Plan.

CARRIED (8/0) - 11/0364 - 5/05/2026

12.1.3 Mobile Food and Dignity Services

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell

Seconded: Councillor Fraser

Chief Executive Officer left the Chamber at 6:01 pm.

Chief Executive Officer returned to the Chamber at 6:03 pm.

1. THAT Report entitled Mobile Food and Dignity Services be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve option one (1), four (4) and five (5) of this report entitled Mobile Food and Dignity Services for the provision of services, with the amendment that the Mayor write to the minister responsible for homelessness services in place of the Chief Minister.
3. THAT the Mayor write to the Minister for Housing to open discussions on the Northern Territory Governments strategy and inclusion of wrap around services in Palmerston, as well as Return to Country services.

CARRIED (8/0) - 11/0365 - 5/05/2026

Initials: 

12.1.4 Vibrant Economy Advisory Committee Updated Terms of Reference

Moved: Deputy Mayor Bayliss

Seconded: Councillor Fraser

1. THAT Report entitled Vibrant Economy Advisory Committee Updated Terms of Reference be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse the reviewed Terms of Reference for the Vibrant Economy Advisory Committee as **Attachment 12.1.4.2**.
3. THAT Council endorse the back payment of remuneration to members affected by the change to the first meeting of the new Committee held on Tuesday, 28 April 2026.

CARRIED (8/0) - 11/0366 - 5/05/2026

12.1.5 Council Policy Review - Sufficient Interest in the Assessment Record

Moved: Councillor Henderson

Seconded: Councillor Fraser

1. THAT Report entitled Council Policy Review - Sufficient Interest in the Assessment Record be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse the amended Sufficient Interest in the Rates Assessment Record policy at **Attachment 12.1.5.3** to Report entitled Council Policy Review - Sufficient Interest in the Assessment Record.

CARRIED (8/0) - 11/0367 - 5/05/2026

12.2 Receive and note reports

12.2.1 Social Media Strategy Annual Update 2025-2026

Moved: Councillor Kanyai

Seconded: Councillor Waters

THAT Report entitled Social Media Strategy Annual Update 2025-2026 be received and noted.

CARRIED (8/0) - 11/0368 - 5/05/2026

Initials: 

13 INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

13.1 Information

Nil

13.2 Correspondence

13.2.1 Reply from the Electoral Commission - 2025 Local Government Elections feedback

Moved: Councillor Morrison
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Bayliss

THAT correspondence dated 15 April 2026 entitled Reply from the Electoral Commission - 2025 Local Government Elections feedback be received and noted.

CARRIED (8/0) - 11/0369 - 5/05/2026

14 REPORT OF DELEGATES

Nil

15 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

Moved: Councillor Kanyai
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

1. THAT the question asked by Councillor Henderson regarding the design of the painted seats in Goyder Square and the response provided by the Chief Executive Officer be received and noted.
2. THAT the question asked by Councillor Kanyai regarding Elected Member Psychosocial Wellbeing entitlements, be taken on notice by the Chief Executive Officer.

CARRIED (8/0) - 11/0370 - 5/05/2026

Initials: 

16 GENERAL BUSINESS

Councillor Morrison declared a Conflict of Interest and left the meeting at 6:23 pm.

16.1 Appointment to the Ministerial Advisory Committee on Multicultural Affairs

Moved: Councillor Hale
Seconded: Councillor Henderson

THAT the statement delivered by Councillor Hale available at **Attachment 16.1.1** be received and noted.

CARRIED (7/0) - 11/0371 - 5/05/2026

17 NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Councillor Morrison returned to the meeting at 6:41 pm.

Moved: Councillor Kanyai
Seconded: Councillor Waters

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 19 May 2026 at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston.

CARRIED (8/0) - 11/0372 - 5/05/2026

18 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO PUBLIC

Moved: Councillor Fraser
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Bayliss

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 (8/0) - 11/0373 - 5/05/2026

19 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON

Nil

Initials: 

The open section of the meeting closed at 6:43 pm for the discussion of confidential matters.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 6:52 pm.



Chair

Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell

Print Name

20 May 2026

Date

Initials: _____