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City Revitalisation Designs Released

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Concept designs for the major components of the Darwin City Revitalisation project will be presented at the Darwin City Council Meeting tonight.

The concept designs include works on the Smith Street Mall, Smith Street connection and Raintree Park.

Lord Mayor Graeme Sawyer said that the \$7million project was aimed at revitalising the economic growth, social and cultural development of Darwin city.

"We are creating a greener, vibrant city with improved pedestrian connections, better lighting, seating and shelter."

"This project will provide a sound foundation from which business and the community can develop retail, cultural and community activities – something we can all feel proud of," he said.

The revitalisation project is a joint funded initiative of the Australian Government, through the Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program, part of the \$42m Nation Building – Economic Stimulus Plan, the Northern Territory Government, Darwin City Council and the private sector.

The Council will also be asked to consider the final plans for the revitalisation of Knuckey Street.

Following a process of community consultation, the Knuckey Street plans aim to create a community orientated, tree lined street which will encourage pedestrians to linger and "window shop". The plans include an improved retail environment with an enhanced tourist bus set down and taxi rank.

The Lord Mayor will be available to do a walk through the Smith Street Mall at 2.00pm prior to the Council Meeting.

Copies of images from the concept designs will be available to the media.

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