

ELEVENTH ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – OPEN SECTION  
TUESDAY, 13 MARCH 2018

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**CITY OF DARWIN**

MINUTES OF THE ELEVENTH ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE TWENTY-SECOND COUNCIL HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY CHAN AVENUE ON TUESDAY, 13 MARCH 2018 COMMENCING AT 5.30PM.

**PRESENT:** The Right Worshipful, Lord Mayor, K Vatskalis, (Chair); Member A J Arthur; Member J Bouhoris; Member S Cullen; Member J A Glover; Member G J Haslett; Member R M Knox; Member G Lambrinidis; Member S J Niblock; Member M Palmer; Member P Pangquee; Member R Want de Rowe; Member E L Young.

**OFFICERS:** Chief Executive Officer, Mr B P Dowd; Acting General Manager City Performance, Mr R Iap; Acting General Manager City Operations, Mr N Kleine; General Manager City Life, Ms A Malgorzewicz; General Manager City Futures, Mr G Rosse; Executive Manager, Ms M Reiter; Manager City Planning, Ms C Robson; Research and Project Coordinator, Ms J Matthiesson; Committee Administrator, Mrs P Hart.

**GUESTS:** Chief Executive Officer Emily Mann and Chair of the Board Mr Ian Kew from the Darwin Festival were in attendance from 5.37pm to brief the Council on Darwin Festival Sponsorship.

Chief Executive Officer Samantha Farrow and Director Bob Creek from Surf Life Saving NT were in attendance from 5.51pm to present to Council regarding the Mindil Beach Lifeguard Service operational subsidy.

Ms Carol Atkinson and representatives from the Darwin City Brass Band were in attendance from 6.05pm in relation to the band's operating subsidy.

General Manager Mr Trevor Cox from Tourism Top End was in attendance from 6.15pm in relation to the Visitor Information Centre operating subsidy.

**MEDIA:** NT News, Ms Philippa Butt.

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**1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

**2. THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**3. MEETING DECLARED OPEN**

The Chair declared the meeting open at 5.30 pm.

**4. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Common No. 2695036

**4.1 Apologies**

Nil

**4.2 Leave of Absence Granted**

Nil

**4.3 Leave of Absence Requested**

(Haslett/Lambrinidis)

- A. THAT a Leave of Absence be granted for Member P Pangquee for the period 21 to 28 April 2018.
- B. THAT a Leave of Absence be granted for Member S J Niblock for the period of 21 to 23 March 2018.
- C. THAT a Leave of Absence be granted for Member J Bouhoris for the period 20 to 23 April 2018.

DECISION NO.22\0486

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Carried



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**5. ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE**  
Common No. 2221428

**5.1 Electronic Meeting Attendance Granted**

(Haslett/Bouhoris)

THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 61 (4) of the Local Government Act and Decision No. 21\0009 – 15/04/12, the following member(s) was granted permission for Electronic Meeting Attendance at this the Eleventh Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 13 March 2018:

- Member A Arthur

DECISION NO.22\0487 (13/03/18) Carried

**5.2 Electronic Meeting Attendance Requested**

Nil

**6. DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF**  
Common No. 2752228

**6.1 Declaration of Interest by Members**

Nil

**6.2 Declaration of Interest by Staff**

Nil

**7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING/S**  
Common No. 1955119

**7.1 Confirmation of the Previous Ordinary Council Meeting**

(Palmer/Haslett)

THAT the tabled minutes of the previous Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 27 February 2018, be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

DECISION NO.22\0488 (13/03/18) Carried



## 7.2 Confirmation of the Previous Confidential Ordinary Council Meeting

*With the consent of the Council, the Decisions arising from this item were moved from the Confidential Section into the Open Section of the Minutes.*

(Knox/Cullen)

- A. THAT the tabled minutes of the previous Confidential Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 27 February 2018 be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.
- B. THAT this decision be moved into Open.

DECISION NO.22\0489

(13/03/18)

Carried

## 7.3 Business Arising

**Meeting:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Ordinary Council Meeting, 27 February 2018

**Agenda Item:** 19.7

**Subject:** Questions by Members - Parking Issues near Day Street

**Common No. :** 3761313

Member R M Knox asked for an update in relation to parking issues near Day Street, off McMinn Street.

*The General Manager City Futures responded and undertook to circulate a response to Elected Members.*

ACTION: GM CITY FUTURES

## 8. MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

Nil



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## 9. DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS

### 9.1 Darwin Festival Common No. 2143591

*Chief Executive Officer Emily Mann and Chair of the Board Mr Ian Kew from the Darwin Festival were in attendance from 5.37pm to brief the Council on Darwin Festival Sponsorship.*

(Haslett/Glover)

THAT the presentation from Darwin Festival in relation to sponsorship be received and noted.

DECISION NO.22\0490 (13/03/18) Carried

### 9.2 Surf Life Saving NT Common No. 2143591

*Chief Executive Officer Samantha Farrow and Director Bob Creek from Surf Life Saving NT were in attendance from 5.51pm to present to Council regarding the Mindil Beach Lifeguard Service operational subsidy.*

(Want de Rowe/Bouhoris)

THAT the presentation from Surf Life Saving NT in relation to the Mindil Beach Lifeguard Service operational subsidy be received and noted.

DECISION NO.22\0491 (13/03/18) Carried

### 9.3 Darwin City Brass Band Common No. 2143591

*Ms Carol Atkinson and representatives from the Darwin City Brass Band were in attendance from 6.05pm in relation to the band's operating subsidy.*

(Knox/Want de Rowe)

THAT the presentation from the Darwin City Brass Band in relation to the band's operating subsidy be received and noted.

DECISION NO.22\0492 (13/03/18) Carried



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**9.4 Tourism Top End**  
Common No. 2143591

*General Manager Mr Trevor Cox from Tourism Top End was in attendance from 6.15pm in relation to the Visitor Information Centre operating subsidy.*

(Haslett/Knox)

THAT the presentation from Tourism Top End in relation to the Visitor Information Centre operating subsidy be received and noted.

DECISION NO.22\0493 (13/03/18)

Carried

*Member P Pangquee departed the meeting at 6.32pm.*

**10. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Nil



**11. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

Common No. 1944604

**11.1 Closure to the Public for Confidential Items**

(Haslett/Bouhoris)

THAT pursuant to Section 65 (2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the following Confidential Items:-

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Regulation</u> | <u>Reason</u>  |
|-------------|-------------------|--|
| C24.1       | 8(c)(iv)          | information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person                            |
| C25.1       | 8(e)              | information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential  |
| C27.1.1     | 8(c)(i)           | information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person |
| C27.1.2     | 8(c)(i)           | information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person |
| C28.1       | 8(e)              | information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential  |

DECISION NO.22\0494

(13/03/18)

Carried

**11.2 Moving Open Items Into Confidential**

Nil

**11.3 Moving Confidential Items Into Open**

Nil

**12. PETITIONS**

Nil



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### 13. NOTICE(S) OF MOTION

Nil

*Member P Pangquee re-joined the meeting at 6.34pm.*

### 14.1 OFFICERS REPORTS (ACTION REQUIRED)

#### 14.1.1 Draft Community Impact Assessment Guidelines: Alcohol Licensing Report No. 18CL0020 KH:kl (13/03/18) Common No. 3748162

#### Procedural Motion

(Niblock/Haslett)

*THAT this item be taken off the table and considered as the next item of business.*

Carried

(Palmer/Knox)

- A. THAT Report Number 18CL0020 KH:kl entitled Draft Community Impact Assessment Guidelines: Alcohol Licensing, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the City of Darwin response to the Northern Territory Government's Draft Community Impact Assessment Guidelines: Alcohol Licensing at **Attachment A** to Report Number 18CL0020 KH:kl entitled Draft Community Impact Assessment Guidelines: Alcohol Licensing.

DECISION NO.22\0495 (13/03/18)

Carried

ACTION: COORDINATOR DARWIN SAFER CITY PROGRAM  
NOTE: GM CITY LIFE



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**14.1.2 Review of Christmas 2017**

Report No. 18CL0017 KS:kl (13/03/18) Common No. 3681960

(Knox/Lambrinidis)

- A. THAT Report Number 18CL0017 KS:kl entitled Review of Christmas 2017, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council refer an additional amount of \$105,000 to the 2018/2019 budget process for enhanced Christmas events to be delivered across the municipality as part of the 2018 Christmas in Darwin Program.
- C. That Council investigate the planting of an appropriate tree that, in years to come, could serve as a living decorated Christmas tree for the City of Darwin, with a report back to Council by July 2018.

DECISION NO.22\0496

(13/03/18)

Carried

ACTION: GM CITY LIFE  
NOTE: GM CITY PERFORMANCE,  
NOTE: MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTANT

**14.1.3 NT Local Government Insurance Discretionary Trust - Advisory Board**

Report No. 18CP0030 VG:kl (13/03/18) Common No. 3765337

(Palmer/Cullen)

- A. THAT Report Number 18CP0030 VG:kl entitled NT Local Government Insurance Discretionary Trust - Advisory Board, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council write to the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory advising them that :-
  - a. City of Darwin is not in a position to consider participation in the whole of local government insurance process until the expiration of its existing brokerage contract in 2020; and
  - b. On that basis, City of Darwin will not be nominating a representative to the discretionary trust Advisory Board.

DECISION NO.22\0497

(13/03/18)

Carried

ACTION: MANAGER STRATEGY  
NOTE: CEO, GM CITY PERFORMANCE



**14.1.4 Darwin Cenotaph Renewal**

Report No. 18CL0023 AM:kl (13/03/18) Common No. 3717870

*With the consent of the Council, the Decisions arising from this item were moved from the Confidential Section into the Open Section of the Minutes.*

(Niblock/Young)

- A. THAT Report Number 18CL0023 AM:kl entitled Darwin Cenotaph Renewal, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the revised concept for the Darwin Cenotaph Renewal Program at **Attachment A** to Report Number 18CL0023 AM:kl entitled Darwin Cenotaph Renewal to enable the Darwin RSL Sub-Branch to progress the detailed design development phase.
- C. THAT a further report be presented to Council following preparation of the detailed design.
- D. THAT Council note the Darwin Cenotaph Renewal Program will be funded through a direct capital grant from the Commonwealth Government to the Darwin RSL Sub-Branch.
- E. THAT this decision be moved into open.

DECISION NO.22\0498 (13/03/18)

Carried

ACTION: GM CITY LIFE



**14.1.5 Enterprise Bargaining Agreement - Update March 2018**

Report No. 17CP0067 AV:je (13/03/18) Common No. 3712619

*With the consent of the Council, the Decisions arising from this item were moved from the Confidential Section into the Open Section of the Minutes.*

**Procedural Motion**

(Lord Mayor/Bouhoris)

*THAT this report be accepted into the meeting as an item of business and considered as Item C27.1.3.*

Carried

(Palmer/Want de Rowe)

- A. THAT Report Number 17CP0067 AV:je entitled Enterprise Bargaining Agreement - Update March 2018, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council reinforces their decision of 27 February 2018 of a one-off payment of \$500 for full time employees (Contract Officers excluded) and prorate for part time and casuals in lieu of backpay.
- C. THAT Council approves the Dispute Resolution Clause as per **Attachment A** to Report Number 17CP0067 AV:je entitled Enterprise Bargaining Agreement - Update March 2018, and this clause be included in the City of Darwin Enterprise Agreement 2017.
- D. THAT Council approves the Disciplinary and Performance Management Clause as per **Attachment B** to Report Number 17CP0067 AV:je entitled Enterprise Bargaining Agreement - Update March 2018, and this clause be included in the City of Darwin Enterprise Agreement 2017.

DECISION NO.22\0499 (13/02/18)

Carried unanimously

ACTION: MGR PEOPLE AND CULTURE

**14.2 OFFICERS REPORTS (RECEIVE & NOTE)**

Nil



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**15. TOWN PLANNING REPORT/LETTER**

**15.1 Council Responses to Planning Applications - March 2018**

Report No. 18CF0015 BS:hd (13/03/18) Common No. 2547669

(Palmer/Haslett)

THAT Report Number 18CF0015 BS:hd entitled Council Responses to Planning Applications - March 2018, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.22\0500 (13/03/18) Carried

**16. INFORMATION ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

Nil

**17. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Common No. 1735503

(Cullen/Lambrinidis)

THAT the following Reports of Representatives be received and noted.

DECISION NO.22\0501 (13/03/18) Carried

**17.1 Reception for Christmas in Darwin Association Inc.**

Member R M Knox reported on her attendance at the reception for Christmas in Darwin Association Inc. at Government House with Member G J Haslett. She tabled a certificate presented to Council, thanking them for their support of the 2017 event.

**17.2 Vibrant CBD Subcommittee**

Member R M Knox reported on her attendance at the Vibrant CBD Subcommittee on 6 March 2018 and noted that the committee have requested a report from the Northern Territory Government regarding undeveloped land in Darwin.

**17.3 Clean Energy Finance Corporation Info Session**

Member R M Knox reported on her attendance at the Clean Energy Finance Corporation Info Session, noting that the organisation offers low interest loans and helps leverage additional funds for large sustainable projects including a zero emissions building project and projects for councils.

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## 17. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

Common No. 1735503

*Continued from previous page.*

### 17.4 Water Safety Advisory Committee

Member R M Knox reported on her attendance at the Water Safety Advisory Committee meeting and advised that there were many issues under discussion including proposed legislation to breathalyse boat drivers, and missing jellyfish warning signage on City of Darwin waterfrontage that is being reviewed by the Department of Health.

### 17.5 Animal Welfare Advisory Committee

Member J A Glover reported on her attendance at the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee and noted the following topics of particular interest:

- Debate about recent dog attacks: there was a consensus from the committee that there should not be legislation against certain breeds of dog, rather strong support around responsible pet ownership.
- Discussion about the individual council by-laws to legislate animal management in the Northern Territory.
- The 'Glovebox Guide for Managing Wild Dogs' as a source of broadly applicable information for policy and legislation.

### 17.6 The Hon. Paul Fletcher MP, Minister for Urban Infrastructure and Cities

The Lord Mayor reported on the visit from The Hon. Paul Fletcher MP, Minister for Urban Infrastructure and Cities and their discussion about the Darwin City Deal.

## 18. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

(Cullen/Lambrinidis)

THAT the following Questions by Members be received and noted.

DECISION NO.22\0502 (13/03/18)

Carried

### 18.1 Darwin Beaches

Common No.

Member G J Haslett asked where City of Darwin responsibility starts on beaches?

*The Chief Executive Officer responded and advised that beach ownership is not consistent in Darwin. City of Darwin has jurisdiction over Mindil beach. Casuarina beach is administered by the Northern Territory Government and Park through Parks & Wildlife Northern Territory.*



**18.2 Recycling Bins in Customer Service Areas**

Common No.

Member R M Knox asked please can the recycling bins that are near the front desk reception area of the Civic Centre also be placed in all 4 libraries and at the 3 swimming pools to reduce waste at our land fill in order to make it easier for the public to recycle?

*The Acting General Manager City Operations responded and took the question on notice.*

ACTION: ACTING GM CITY OPS

**18.3 Cavenagh Street Pavement**

Common No. 3768537

Member R M Knox noted that in 2011 Council planned to rebuild the sub-surface of the Cavenagh St pavement but this was not done at the southern end of the street. Is this work scheduled to be done and should it be done before any upgrades to the surface of the southern end of Cavenagh Street?

*The Acting General Manager City Operations responded and advised that there are plans to redo the surface, with funding set aside in the Long Term Financial Plan. He noted that this can will be brought up in discussions with the Northern Territory Government.*

ACTION: ACTING GM CITY OPS

**18.4 Public Consultation on the Proposed Upgrades on Cavenagh Street**

Common No. 3599758

Member R M Knox asked when the Northern Territory Government plan to go to public consultation on the proposed upgrades on Cavenagh Street between Knuckey Street and Bennet Street?

*The General Manager City Futures responded and advised that consultation has occurred on the initial project for the Greater Cavenagh Street project, including with City of Darwin and stakeholders. Direct consultation will occur in October 2018 as the project commences.*

Member Knox asked for further clarification around the type of consultation, noting that City of Darwin meeting minutes from December 2017 asked that consultation be undertaken to Council's satisfaction.

*The General Manager City Futures took the question on notice and undertook to circulate the full list of consultation activities to Elected Members.*

ACTION: GM CITY FUTURES



**18.5 Conservation Zoning in Rapid Creek**  
Common No. 265213

Member J A Glover asked for an update on the conservation zoning in Rapid Creek.

*The General Manager City Futures responded and advised that officers have been liaising with the Northern Territory Government in order to be able to provide an update to Council.*

Member Glover noted that there is some urgency on the matter with the Rapid Creek Flood Mitigation plans in progress, emphasising Council's wish to protect the area.

*The General Manager City Futures took the request on notice and will provide a report to Council.*

ACTION: GM CITY FUTURES

**18.6 Grass Species for Verges**  
Common No.

Member J Bouhoris asked if Council has preferred grass species for planting on verges?

*The Acting General Manager City Operations responded and advised that Council does not have preferred grass species, but there are many that are appropriate for verges. Residents can contact Council for advice as to what to plant.*

**18.7 Civic Park Retaining Wall**  
Common No. 3265104

Member M Palmer asked when the Civic Park retaining wall will be fixed?

*The Acting General Manager City Operations advised that there have been technical difficulties with the tree that is interfering with the retaining wall, but undertook to provide a response to Elected Members about progress on the matter.*

ACTION: ACTING GM CITY OPS

**18.8 Tree Assessments**  
Common No. 2809737

Member R Want de Rowe noted that she had been approached by residents who had reported concerns with large trees in parks adjoining their property or on nature strips. Arborists attended and assessed the trees as not an immediate risk, but the residents continue to be concerned. Does Council send letters out advising residents that the trees have been assessed?

*The Acting General Manager City Operations responded and advised that follow up is generally undertaken by phone or in person but letters can be provided following assessment upon request from residents.*



**18.9 Animal Management Awareness Campaign**  
**Common No.**

Member P Pangquee asked if the temporary animal management signage on Nightcliff foreshore can they be put up in Fannie Bay as well?

*The General Manager City Life responded and advised that the signage is part of a responsible animal ownership community awareness program being mobilised and deployed in hot spots in the municipality. She noted that Regulatory Services are happy to receive further recommendations for deployment.*

**19. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**19.1 Brass in the Park**  
**Common No.**

(Glover/Lambrinidis)

THAT Council investigate a regular Brass in the Park program in each Ward, including events at the amphitheatre on The Esplanade, with a report to be presented to Council.

DECISION NO.22\0503 (13/03/18) Carried

ACTION: GM CITY LIFE

**19.2 Proposed Semi-Permanent Outdoor Rooms Consisting of Artist Studio and Retail Boutique at the Botanical Gardens and The Esplanade**  
**Common No. 3764634**

(Lord Mayor/Bouhoris)

THAT a report be prepared on the activation proposal from Shae Fisher to be presented to Council.

DECISION NO.22\0504 (13/03/18) Carried

ACTION: GM CITY FUTURES

**19.3 Chief Executive Officer Mr Brendan Dowd**

(Niblock/Lord Mayor)

THAT Council formally acknowledge and thank the Chief Executive Officer Mr Brendan Dowd for his 17 years of service to the Council and the community.

DECISION NO.22\0505 (13/03/18) Carried



**19.4 Darwin City Deal - The Mall**  
Common No. 3226493

*With the consent of the Council, the Decisions arising from this item were moved from the Confidential Section into the Open Section of the Minutes.*

(Cullen/Bouhoris)

- A. THAT Council write to the Northern Territory Government requesting an outline of their aspirations for the area of the CBD known as the The Mall, as part of the City Deal, noting that the City of Darwin Council wish to take leadership and ownership in the process to determine the ultimate form for The Mall should a redesign be determined necessary.
- B. THAT this decision be moved into Open.

DECISION NO.22\0506 (13/03/18) Carried

ACTION: GM CITY FUTURES  
NOTE: EXEC MGR

**20. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**  
Common No. 2695130

(Haslett/Lambrinidis)

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 27 March 2018, at 5:30pm (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Council Chambers, 1st Floor, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

DECISION NO.22\0507 (13/03/18) Carried

**21. CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**  
Common No. 2695131

(Niblock/Glover)

THAT pursuant to Section 65 (2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential Items of the Agenda.

DECISION NO.22\0508 (13/03/18) Carried



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**22. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON**  
Common No. 2695132

(Niblock/Glover)

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7.24pm for 10 minutes to enable the Media to liaise with the Lord Mayor.

DECISION NO.22\0509

(13/03/18)

Carried

*The meeting moved to the Confidential Section at 7.35pm.*

**THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL, LORD  
MAYOR, K VATSKALIS (CHAIR) –  
1ST ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
– TUESDAY, 13 MARCH 2018**

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**Confirmed On: Tuesday, 27 March 2018**

**Chair:** \_\_\_\_\_

