



MINUTES

**Sister City Advisory Committee
Meeting**

Thursday, 15 July 2021

**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN
SISTER CITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE MEETING ROOM 1, LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY CHAN AVENUE,
DARWIN
ON THURSDAY, 15 JULY 2021 AT 5.00PM - 6.00PM**

PRESENT: Alderman George Lambrinidis, Alderman Jimmy Bouhori, Mr Tony Miaoudis, Ms Lisa Malnar, Mr Ping Lu, Ms Vida Ruth Goodvach, Mr Terry Hartin, Ms Jane Wang

OFFICERS: Alice Percy, Madeleine Haslett

APOLOGY: Ms Christine Silvester, Mr Alan Jape

GUESTS: N/A

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1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

The Chair declared the meeting open at 5.00 pm.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

City of Darwin acknowledges that we are living and working on Larrakia Country. We acknowledge the Larrakia people as the Traditional Owners of the Darwin region. We pay our respects to the Larrakia elders past and present and support emerging Larrakia leaders now and into the future. City of Darwin is committed to working together with all Larrakia to care for this land and sea for our shared future.

3 APOLOGIES & LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 Apologies

Ms Christine Silvester, Mr Alan Jape

3.2 Leave of Absence

3.3 Leave of Absence Notified

Nil

4 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE

Nil

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

5.1 Declaration of Interest by Members

Nil

5.2 Declaration of Interest by Staff

Nil

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Moved: Mr Terry Hartin

Seconded: Alderman Jimmy Bouhoris

That the minutes of the Sister City Advisory Committee Meeting held on 15 April 2021 be confirmed.

Carried

7 ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

8 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

9 OFFICER REPORTS

9.1 INTERNATIONAL SISTER CITY EXPO

RESOLVED

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Moved: Alderman Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Mr Terry Hartin

1. THAT the report entitled International Sister City Expo be received and noted.
2. THAT Committee members share the International Sister City Expo website with their networks in order to increase the number of organisations on the platform.

Carried

It was proposed to have a physical/live expo in the 2022-2023 Financial Year as a follow up to the online expo in June 2022, and for council officers to write a report outlining the requirements, budgeting and feasibility of this.

Ms Lisa Malnar departed the meeting at 5.31pm

9.2 UPDATE ON SIGNING OF THE DENPASAR AND DARWIN LETTER OF INTENT FOR A SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP

RESOLVED

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Moved: Alderman Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Alderman George Lambrinidis

1. THAT the report entitled Update on Signing of the Denpasar and Darwin Letter of Intent for a Sister City Relationship be received and noted.
2. THAT the Committee recommend a member to sit on the Denpasar/Darwin virtual working group.

Carried

Ping Lu was nominated as the Committee member to join the WhatsApp Virtual group for working with Denpasar

9.3 WELCOMING CITIES

RESOLVED

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the report entitled Welcoming Cities be received and noted.
2. THAT the Committee endorse for the City of Darwin to join and participate in the Welcoming Cities network, a network of cities and communities that are committed to becoming more welcoming and inclusive.

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The Committee does not endorse for the City of Darwin to join and participate in the Welcoming Cities network, as the City of Darwin already operates under the Sister City Program.

Alderman Jimmy Bouhoris departed the meeting at 5:49 pm.

9.4 SISTER CITY COMMITTEE BUDGET UPDATE

RESOLVED

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Moved: Ms Vida Ruth Goodvach

Seconded: Mr Ping Lu

That the Sister City Committee Budget Update report be received and noted.

Carried

It was proposed that Council officers present a profit and loss statement and cash flow at each meeting, as a way to track and show expenses and the differences between Committee's recommended allocation of funds and the amounts approved by Council.

9.5 THANK YOU TO COMMITTEE MEMBERS

RESOLVED

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Moved: Ms Vida Ruth Goodvach

Seconded: Ms Jane Wang

That the report be received and noted.

Carried

9.6 LETTER OF CONDOLENCE

RESOLVED

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Moved: Alderman George Lambrinidis

Seconded: Mr Ping Lu

That the report be received and noted.

Carried

10 MEMBER REPORTS

Nil

11 GENERAL BUSINESS**11.1 INTRODUCING IVY****RESOLVED****COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

Moved: Mr Terry Hartin

Seconded: Alderman George Lambrinidis

That the report be received and noted.

Carried

It was proposed that the Committee send a congratulations letter or email.

11.2 VISIT FROM MAYOR OF TIWI ISLANDS, 16 TO 18 JULY 2021**RESOLVED****COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

Moved: Mr Terry Hartin

Seconded: Mr Ping Lu

That the report be received and noted

Carried

It was proposed that relationship between City of Darwin, Milikapiti and the Tiwi Islands as a whole be enhanced.

It was proposed that a rubbish clean-up be organised for Milikapiti by the Sister Cities Committee in collaboration with Sea Shepherd and the council officers prepare a report with recommendations.

Ms Jane Wang departed the meeting at 6:12 pm.

11.3 HAIKOU SHORT FILM COMPETITION**RECOMMENDATIONS**

It was proposed that the Youth Advisory Committee be informed of the invitation

No Quorum

11.4 PROPOSAL FOR ACTION FOR CHANGE FOUNDATION AFFECTED BY FLOOD IN DILI**RECOMMENDATIONS**

It was proposed that the Committee support the Youth Committee Quiz For Dili fundraising event by having a Sister City team and advertising through their networks.

No Quorum

12 NEXT MEETING

Currently scheduled for Thursday 23 September 2021, however this is to be confirmed after elections on 24 August 2021.

The Committee has requested that future meetings be scheduled for an hour and a half in length, beginning at 5pm and ending at 6:30pm.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 6.20.