



MINUTES

Sister City Advisory Committee Meeting

Wednesday, 25 June 2025

Date: Wednesday, 25 June 2025

Time: 5:30 PM

**Location: Council Chambers Darrandirra
Level 1, Civic Centre
Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin**

**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN
SISTER CITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS DARRANDIRRA, LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY
CHAN AVENUE, DARWIN
ON WEDNESDAY, 25 JUNE 2025 AT 5:30 PM**

PRESENT:

Chairperson Kate Heelan
Councillor Sylvia Klonaris
Committee Member Nerida Hart
Committee Member Stephanie Lin
Committee Member Tony Miaoudis
Committee Member Ninik Stroud
Committee Member Allan Woo

OFFICERS:

Emma Struys, Executive Manager Growth and Economic Development
Vanya Bosiocic, Manager Economic Development

APOLOGY:

Committee Member Siji Issac
Committee Member Chyntia Elsinta Indrawati
Committee Member Paddy Mohan
Committee Member Sam Kansal

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1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

The Chair declared the meeting open at 5:40 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

Committee Member Siji Issac

Committee Member Chyntia Elsinta Indrawati

Committee Member Paddy Mohan

Committee Member Sam Kansal

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 RESOLUTION SCAC011/25

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Committee Member Tony Miaoudis

THAT the minutes of the Sister City Advisory Committee Meeting held on 5 March 2025 be confirmed.

CARRIED 7/0

7 ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

8 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

9 OFFICER REPORTS**9.1 SISTER CITIES ACTION PLAN UPDATE****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SCAC012/25**

Moved: Committee Member Allan Woo

Seconded: Committee Member Tony Miaoudis

THAT the report entitled Sister Cities Action Plan Update be received and noted.

CARRIED 7/0

9.2 2025 DARWIN FUSION UPDATE**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SCAC013/25**

Moved: Committee Member Allan Woo

Seconded: Committee Member Nerida Hart

THAT the report entitled 2025 Darwin Fusion Update be received and noted.

CARRIED 7/0

9.3 UPDATE ON THE FRIENDSHIP CITY PROPOSAL WITH THE CITY OF KOCHI, INDIA.**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SCAC014/25**

Moved: Committee Member Tony Miaoudis

Seconded: Committee Member Nerida Hart

THAT the report entitled Update on the Friendship City Proposal with the City of Kochi, India be received and noted.

CARRIED 7/0

10 MEMBER REPORTS

10.1 MEMBERS VERBAL UPDATES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SCAC015/25

Moved: Committee Member Allan Woo

Seconded: Committee Member Stephanie Lin

THAT the report entitled Members Verbal Updates be received and noted.

CARRIED 7/0

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

- Greek GlEnTi Festival was a success, which provided a lot of tourism opportunities to Darwin as well as multicultural festivities
- There is an opportunity for the Committee to be more actively involved and should look into participating in more events for the next GlEnTi Festival

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

Committee Member Stephanie Lin informed the other members that Hainan province reached out to her to get the most appropriate contact for the group to make an enquiry. This has been actioned at the meeting, providing Stephanie with the International Relations' email address, international@darwin.nt.gov.au

12 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT pursuant to Section 99 (2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 52 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential Items of the Agenda.

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019*:

16.1 Members Verbal Update

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(e) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with subject to subregulation 51(3) – information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.

13 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SCAC016/25**

Moved: Chairperson Kate Heelan

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

THAT the Chair declared the Open meeting closed at 6:27 pm.

CARRIED 7/0