

# Minutes

## Ordinary Council Meeting

Tuesday, 30 April 2024



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**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN  
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS DARRANDIRRA, LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY  
CHAN AVENUE, DARWIN  
ON TUESDAY, 30 APRIL 2024 AT 5:30PM**

**PRESENT:**

Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis (Chair)  
Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston  
Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris  
Councillor Kim Farrar  
Councillor Sylvia Klonaris  
Councillor Brian O'Gallagher  
Councillor Morgan Rickard  
Councillor Vim Sharma  
Councillor Ed Smelt  
Councillor Amye Un  
Councillor Rebecca Want de Rowe

**OFFICERS**

Chief Executive Officer, Simone Saunders  
General Manager Community, Matt Grassmayr  
Acting General Manager Corporate, Alex Vereker  
General Manager Innovation, Alice Percy

**APOLOGY:**

Councillor Mick Palmer  
Councillor Peter Pangqueue

**GUESTS:**

Nil

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## 1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We the members of City of Darwin acknowledge that we are meeting on Larrakia Country.

We recognise and pay our respects to all Larrakia people, Traditional Owners and Custodian Elders of the past and present.

We support emerging Larrakia leaders now and into the future.

We are committed to working together with all Larrakia to care for this land and sea for our shared future.

## 2 THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever.

Amen

*Councillor Kim Farrar was not present at the commencement of the meeting at 5:32 pm.*

## 3 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

### RESOLUTION ORD119/24

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

The Chair declared the meeting open at 5:32 pm.

**CARRIED 10/0**

## 4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

### 4.1 APOLOGIES

Nil

## 4.2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

### RESOLUTION ORD120/24

Moved: Councillor Vim Sharma

Seconded: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

1. THAT it be noted Councillor Mick Palmer is an apology due to a Leave of Absence previously granted on 16 April 2024 for the period 30 April 2024.
2. THAT it be noted Councillor Peter Pangquee is an apology due to a Leave of Absence previously granted on 16 April 2024 for the period 30 April 2024.

**CARRIED 10/0**

## 4.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTED

### RESOLUTION ORD121/24

Moved: Councillor Vim Sharma

Seconded: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

THAT a Leave of Absence be granted for the Lord Mayor for the period 20 August 2024 to 17 September 2024.

**CARRIED 10/0**

## 5 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

### 5.1 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE GRANTED

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 95 (43) of the *Local Government Act 2019*, the following Councillor(s) was granted permission for Electronic Meeting Attendance:

- Councillor Amye Un

### 5.2 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE REQUESTED

Nil

## 6 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

### 6.1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

#### RESOLUTION ORD122/24

Moved: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

Seconded: Councillor Rebecca Want de Rowe

1. THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Lord Mayor declared a Conflict of Interest in Item 15.4.
2. THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Councillor Amye Un, declared a Conflict of Interest in Item 15.4.
3. THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris, declared a Conflict of Interest in Item 28.4.
4. THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Councillor Morgan Rickard, declared a Conflict of Interest in Item 28.4

**CARRIED 10/0**

### 6.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY STAFF

#### RESOLUTION ORD123/24

Moved: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

Seconded: Councillor Rebecca Want de Rowe

THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 179 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, the Chief Executive Officer, Simone Saunders, declared a Conflict of Interest in Item 15.4.

**CARRIED 10/0**

## 7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

#### RESOLUTION ORD124/24

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 16 April 2024 be confirmed.

**CARRIED 10/0**

## 8 MOVING OF ITEMS

### 8.1 MOVING OF OPEN ITEMS INTO CONFIDENTIAL

Nil

**8.2 MOVING OF CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS INTO OPEN**

Nil

**8.3 MOVING CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS TO OPEN AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING****28.1 DRAFT 2024/25 MUNICIPAL PLAN****RESOLUTION ORD149/24**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Councillor Rebecca Want de Rowe

1. THAT the report entitled Draft 2024/25 Municipal Plan be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse officers to conduct a 21-day public consultation on the Draft 2024/25 Municipal Plan, including the proposed 2024/25 Annual Budget.
3. THAT pursuant to Section 35 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations, the decision, report and attachments, be held in-confidence until 1 May 2024 at which time the decision, report and endorsed Draft Municipal Plan document will be published on Council's website.

**CARRIED 10/0****28.2 CHAPEL LANE REDEVELOPMENT****RESOLUTION ORD150/24**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

Seconded: Councillor Amye Un

1. THAT the report entitled Chapel Lane Redevelopment Update be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse the Chapel Lane Redevelopment design as identified in **Attachment 1** to enable City of Darwin officers to progress to procurement for construction.
3. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
4. THAT the documents remain confidential until advertising of the tender package and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 11/0****28.3 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR ACCESS AND INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE****RESOLUTION ORD151/24**

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

1. THAT the report entitled Appointment of Chair Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee be received and noted.
2. THAT Council appoint Debbie Reeves as the Chair of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee from 4 April 2024 to 31 March 2026.



3. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
4. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 11/0**

#### **28.4 COMMUNITY GRANTS ROUND 1 AND RECONCILIATION/NAIDOC WEEK PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS 2024**

##### **RESOLUTION ORD152/24**

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

1. THAT the report entitled Community Grants Round 1 and Reconciliation/NAIDOC Week Program Recommendations 2024 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the following 7 projects for funding in the Community Grants Program Round 1 2024/25, for a total of \$50 000.

Applicant	Activity	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
YWCA Australia	Barista training workshops for young mothers participating in Connected Families and Young Mums Strong Mums programs. The young mothers are under 30 years old, unemployed, and most have experienced domestic and family violence and trauma.	\$7 600	\$7 600
Alliance Française de Darwin Incorporated	French language classes through song, reading, and play for babies, children, and their parents. An opportunity for interested English French bilingual families to meet and connect.	\$2 977	\$2 977
Corrugated Iron Youth Arts	Youth Performing Arts Festival – Futures Collide includes workshops, parade and 40 <sup>th</sup> Birthday celebrations for children, young people and emerging and early career artists.	\$10 000	\$10 000
Multicultural Seniors Social Club	Gathering of intergenerational individuals from different community organisations to share in the understanding of each other's culture through performances, singing, dancing, fashion shows, food and music.	\$5 000	\$5 000
Multicultural Multigenerational Mainstream Dance	The Afrobeats Dance Project provides opportunities for people of African backgrounds to learn, practice and perform their dances by connecting them with dance-leaders of the African community and providing them with safe spaces, equipment, supervision, and administrative	\$9 640	\$8 140

	services.		
Darwin Community Arts	A series of workshops creating interactive, multi-sensory, immersive performances made with, by and for people with neurodiversity and disability, children and families.	\$10 000	\$9 678
Jocelyn Tribe (Tangan Collective)	Project Wanga will create a podcast (8 x 45 mins) led by First Nations artists interviewing Arts Industry members from diverse cultural backgrounds.	\$9 965	\$6 605

3. THAT Council approve the following 4 projects for funding in the Reconciliation and NAIDOC Week program for a total of \$30 606.

Applicant	Activity	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
Enterprise Learning Projects	Impact North Reconciliation Week Change Maker Event.	\$10 000	\$10 000
Mayala-Bol	Community Engagement Program NAIDOC Week – Blak history, resilience and joy at Browns Mart.	\$9 061	\$9 061
Shaun Francis	NAIDOC Week mural celebrating dual Nichols medallist Ted Cooper at Wanderers Football Club.	\$4 545	\$4 545
Ironbark Aboriginal Corporation	NAIDOC Week event with Berrimah businesses.	\$7 000	\$7 000

4. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
5. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 9/0**

**28.5 2024 EAST POINT RESERVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP APPOINTMENT**

**RESOLUTION ORD153/24**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

1. THAT the report entitled 2024 East Point Reserve Advisory Committee Membership Appointment be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the appointment of Lorraine Corowa and Ulrike Kachel as community members to the East Point Reserve Advisory Committee for the term 1 May 2024 to 30 April 2026.

3. THAT this report be deemed confidential and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
4. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 11/0**

## **28.7 CYCLONE TRACY MEMORIAL AT EAST POINT**

### **RESOLUTION ORD155/24**

Moved: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

Seconded: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

1. THAT the report entitled Cyclone Tracy Memorial at East Point be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve to refer this request to the East Point Advisory Committee to seek advice on the Cyclone Tracy memorial and installation location and concept.
3. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
4. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 11/0**

## **28.8 MICROMOBILITY UPDATE**

### **RESOLUTION ORD156/24**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Councillor Morgan Rickard

1. THAT the report entitled Micromobility Update be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the expansion of Beam electric scooters on City of Darwin land at Figure 1.
3. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
4. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 11/0**

## **28.9 SMITH STREET GREENING CONCEPTS**

### **MOTION**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

Seconded: Councillor Amye Un

1. THAT the report entitled Smith Street Greening Concepts be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the Smith Street Greening Option 2 to be released for the purposes of community engagement.
3. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.

4. THAT the documents remain confidential, and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**RESOLUTION ORD157/24**

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

**AMENDEMENT**

1. THAT the report entitled Smith Street Greening Concepts be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the Smith Street Greening Option 1 and Option 2 to be released for the purposes of community engagement.
3. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
4. THAT the documents remain confidential, and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 7/4**

**RESOLUTION ORD158/24**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

1. THAT the report entitled Smith Street Greening Concepts be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the Smith Street Greening Option 1 and Option 2 to be released for the purposes of community engagement.
3. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
4. THAT the documents remain confidential, and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

In Favour: Members Jimmy Bouhoris, Kim Farrar, Sylvia Klonaris, Brian O'Gallagher, Vim Sharma, Amye Un and Sam Weston

Against: Members Morgan Rickard, Ed Smelt, Kon Vatskalis and Rebecca Want de Rowe

**CARRIED 7/4**

**28.10 ACCESS AND INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE BUDGET RECOMMENDATION 2023/2024****RESOLUTION ORD159/24**

Moved: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

1. THAT the report entitled Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Budget Recommendations 2023/2024 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the following project to be funded from the Disability Access Operational Projects budget:

Project	Cost
Accessibility works in Dulverton Court Karama	11,100
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,100</b>

3. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
4. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 11/0**

**29.1 CORPORATE SERVICES QUARTERLY REPORT - JANUARY TO MARCH 2024****RESOLUTION ORD160/24**

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

1. THAT the report entitled Corporate Services Quarterly Report – January to March 2024, be received and noted.
2. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
3. THAT the documents remain confidential, and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 11/0**

**29.2 GEORGE PARK PLAYGROUND PETITION****RESOLUTION ORD161/24**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Councillor Morgan Rickard

1. THAT the report entitled George Park Playground Petition be received and noted.
2. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
3. THAT the report remain confidential until the Draft Municipal Plan 2024/2025 is released for community consultation.
4. THAT this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 11/0****29.3 COMMITTEE MEETING CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES****RESOLUTION ORD162/24**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

1. THAT the report entitled Committee Meeting Confidential Minutes be received and noted.
2. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
3. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved to Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 11/0****9 MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE / LORD MAYORAL MINUTE**

Nil

**10 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Nil

**11 PETITIONS**

Nil

**12 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS****12.1 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS**

Nil

*Councillor Kim Farrar joined the meeting at 5:36 pm.*

## 13 NOTICES OF MOTION

### 13.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - SPEED LIMIT CHANGES

I, Councillor Ed Smelt, give notice that at the next Ordinary Council Meeting on 30 April 2024, I will move the following motion:-

#### **RESOLUTION ORD125/24**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Councillor Morgan Rickard

1. THAT Council notes the lifesaving and broader community benefits of increased walking and cycling in residential areas that result from the implementation of safer speed limits.
2. THAT Council recognises the strong community support from a broad cross section of schools, businesses, individuals and community groups for lower speed limits in the Chan Ward suburbs of Nightcliff, Rapid Creek and Millner.
3. THAT Council approves a reduction in speed limit from 60km/hr to 50km/hr for the remaining sections of:
  - (a) Nightcliff Road
  - (b) Rapid Creek Road
4. THAT a review of vehicle speeds on Nightcliff and Rapid Creek Roads is conducted after 18 months of operation and reported back to Council.
5. THAT City of Darwin assesses options for lower speed limits around the Nightcliff Village, Nightcliff Shopping Centre and new Progress Drive business precinct with recommendations provided to Council in a future report. The report shall also consider potential speed reduction at other key market precincts across Darwin including Parap Markets, Rapid Creek Markets and Malak Markets to ensure a consistent approach across the municipality.
6. THAT the Nightcliff Road and Rapid Creek Road speed sign changes (along with the other proposed speed limit changes accepted by Council on 31 October 2023) be referred to the 2024/25 Local Area Traffic Management budget for funding and prioritisation consideration.

In Favour: Members Jimmy Bouhoris, Morgan Rickard, Vim Sharma, Ed Smelt, Amye Un, Kon Vatskalis and Sam Weston

Against: Members Kim Farrar, Sylvia Klonaris, Brian O'Gallagher and Rebecca Want de Rowe

**CARRIED 7/4**

## 14 ACTION REPORTS

### 14.1 REVIEW OF INVESTMENT POLICY

#### RESOLUTION ORD126/24

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

1. THAT the report entitled Review of Investment Policy be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopts the revised Investment Policy 3301.100.E.R at **Attachment 2**.

**CARRIED 11/0**

### 14.2 SUBMISSION TO JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON CIVIC EDUCATION, ENGAGEMENT AND PARTICIPATION

#### RESOLUTION ORD127/24

Moved: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

1. THAT the report entitled Submission to Joint Standing Committee on Civic Education, Engagement and Participation be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the proposed submission to the Joint Standing Committee on civics education, engagement and participation in Australia.

**CARRIED 11/0**

### 14.3 SUBMISSION TO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUSTAINABILITY

#### RESOLUTION ORD128/24

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

1. THAT the report entitled Submission to House of Representatives Standing Committee on Local Government Sustainability be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the proposed submission to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Local Government Sustainability.

**CARRIED 11/0**



**14.4 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION OUTCOME - WALKWAY 190 - KOOLAMA COURT TO KOOJARA COURT KARAMA****RESOLUTION ORD129/24**

Moved: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

1. THAT the report entitled Community Consultation Outcome - Walkway 190 – Koolama Court to Koojara Court Karama be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve to undertake a night time closure of Walkway 190 - Koolama Court to Koojara Court Karama from approximately 9:30pm to 5:30am, seven days per week.

**CARRIED 11/0**

**15 RECEIVE & NOTE REPORTS****15.1 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - MARCH 2024****RESOLUTION ORD130/24**

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

THAT the report entitled Monthly Financial Report – March 2024 be received and noted.

**CARRIED 11/0**

**15.2 COMMITTEE MEETING OPEN MINUTES****RESOLUTION ORD131/24**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Councillor Amye Un

THAT the report entitled Committee Meeting Open Minutes be received and noted.

**CARRIED 11/0**

**15.3 QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE REPORT: JANUARY - MARCH 2024 (Q3)****RESOLUTION ORD132/24**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

THAT the report entitled Quarterly Performance Report: January – March 2024 (Q3) be received and noted.

**CARRIED 11/0**

*Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis departed the meeting at 6:09 pm due to a declared conflict of interest.*

*Chief Executive Officer Simone Saunders departed the meeting at 6:09 pm due to a declared conflict of interest.*

*Councillor Amye Un departed the meeting at 6:10 pm due to a declared conflict of interest.*

#### **15.4 UPDATE ON CODE OF CONDUCT OUTCOMES**

##### **RESOLUTION ORD133/24**

Moved: Councillor Morgan Rickard

Seconded: Councillor Rebecca Want de Rowe

THAT the report entitled Update on Code of Conduct Outcomes be received and noted.

**CARRIED 9/0**

*Chief Executive Officer Simone Saunders re-joined the meeting at 6:11 pm.*

*Councillor Amye Un re-joined the meeting at 6:11 pm*

*Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis re-joined the meeting at 6:12 pm.*

#### **16 CORRESPONDENCE**

##### **16.1 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE - THE HONOURABLE CHIEF MINISTER - CRIME PLAN**

##### **RESOLUTION ORD134/24**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

Seconded: Councillor Ed Smelt

THAT the Incoming Correspondence - The Honourable Chief Minister - Crime Plan be received and noted.

**CARRIED 11/0**

*Councillor Kim Farrar departed the meeting at 6:11 pm.*

*Councillor Kim Farrar re-joined the meeting at 6:13 pm.*

#### **17 REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES**

##### **RESOLUTION ORD135/24**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Councillor Rebecca Want de Rowe

THAT the following Reports of Representatives be received and noted.

##### **17.1**

Councillor Amye Un reported on meeting with residents in Stuart Park and would like Council to consider planting a tree at the roundabout at Westralia Street and Coronation Drive in Stuart Park. Councillor Amye Un also reported on attending an Indian Festival in Marrara over the weekend and Councillor Brian O'Gallagher was also in attendance supporting the event.

**17.2**

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris reported on a Mother's Day Walk the Waters Ward Elected Members are holding along with Alan Mitchell supporting the Heart Foundation. The event will be held on Sunday 12 May 2024 starting at 7:30 am at Yanyula Park ending with a breakfast and coffee van along with some entertainment for the family. Everyone is encouraged to attend and support such an important foundation.

**17.3**

Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris reported on attending the Thai Festival over the weekend. It was a wonderful event and Civic Park looked amazing with great displays and we should encourage more events in Civic Park. Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris advised he will be hosting the 250<sup>th</sup> walk for Man Walk Darwin this Saturday, starting at 7:00 am at Travellers Walk and would like to invite everyone to join in. He will also be attending the DJ on a bike event starting at 4pm Saturday and again invites everyone to attend.

**17.4**

The Lord Mayor reported on attending the ANZAC dawn service, ceremony and parade. It was a great success and good to show our support for the Defence Forces, and to remember the ones who gave their lives for what we can enjoy today.

**CARRIED 11/0****18 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS****18.1 MEMORIAL PLAQUE AND SOCIAL MEDIA****RESOLUTION ORD136/24**

Moved: Councillor Amye Un  
Seconded: Councillor Vim Sharma

**Question**

Councillor Brian O'Gallagher advised he submitted two questions in writing to the Chief Executive Officer asking how a local resident can recover a memorial plaque located at the Darwin North RSL site and on a social media post with both questions answered and resolved prior to the meeting.

**CARRIED 11/0**

**18.2 SPORTING CHANGE ROOMS AT FANNIE BAY AND MALAK****RESOLUTION ORD137/24**

Moved: Councillor Amye Un  
Seconded: Councillor Vim Sharma

**Question**

Councillor Kim Farrar questioned whether the painting of sports club colours on the new change rooms located at Fannie Bay and Malak Oval were approved by Council.

**Response**

The General Manager Community Matt Grassmayr, responded and advised all sports clubs have permission and approval by Council to paint their change rooms club colours on buildings that have a User Agreement, or a Deed of Agreement / Deed of Arrangement.

**CARRIED 11/0**

**18.3 RATE FUNDS****RESOLUTION ORD138/24**

Moved: Councillor Amye Un  
Seconded: Councillor Vim Sharma

**Question**

Councillor Amye Un requested an update on how residents can be provided with details on how rate funds are used by Council each financial year.

**Response**

The Lord Mayor responded and advised Councillor Amye Un to advise residents that all relevant financial details are contained within our Annual Report. Councillor Support will provide a link to the website.

**CARRIED 11/0**

**18.4 DRIVEWAY REPLACEMENT PROGRAM****RESOLUTION ORD139/24**

Moved: Councillor Amye Un  
Seconded: Councillor Vim Sharma

**Question**

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris requested an update on the process of the replacement of bitumen driveways to concrete.

**Response**

The General Manager Community, Matt Grassmayr responded and advised that under the Driveway Replacement Program the driveways are assessed on a priority and case by case basis. Repairs are dependent on what types of works are to be carried out as to whether concrete or bitumen is used. Requests for the replacement of a driveway will only be done in concrete however bitumen may be used as a patch repair.

**CARRIED 11/0****18.5 SECURITY PATROLS****RESOLUTION ORD140/24**

Moved: Councillor Amye Un  
Seconded: Councillor Vim Sharma

**Question**

Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris requested information on meetings with the Northern Territory Police and other stakeholders in the municipality on security and crime.

**Response**

The Lord Mayor advised that no statistics are provided at the meetings, but could be requested. Relevant issues are raised with the Northern Territory Police and stakeholders to ensure they are aware of situations.

**CARRIED 11/0****19 GENERAL BUSINESS****19.1 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY LORD MAYOR****RESOLUTION ORD141/24**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis  
Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

THAT Council appoint Councillor Peter Pangquee as the Deputy Lord Mayor for the period 29 May 2023 to 28 September 2024.

**CARRIED 11/0**

**19.2 TAMARIND PARK****RESOLUTION ORD142/24**

Moved: Councillor Vim Sharma

Seconded: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston raised some concerns that antisocial behaviour is escalating in and around Tamarind Park and a resident has also raised concerns. Are officers able to advise if there are any trends that public places teams are seeing and if any other measures could be considered.

The Lord Mayor advised he has received many complaints of antisocial behaviour. And was advised that there are vermin in the trees, if the team could assess the area.

The General Manager Community Matt Grassmayr advised that during current patrols trends this has not been reported as a hot spot but we will put in place some internal actions around Tamarind Park and report any findings.

**CARRIED 11/0**

**19.3 APPRECIATION TO STAFF****RESOLUTION ORD143/24**

Moved: Councillor Vim Sharma

Seconded: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

Councillor Kim Farrar wanted to pass on some positive feedback received from a resident who had his driveway replaced in Curlew Circuit in Wulagi. He advised the team were very easy to communicate with and answered all his questions, in particular Emma was excellent to deal with through to process.

**CARRIED 11/0**

**19.4 TAMARIND PARK****RESOLUTION ORD144/24**

Moved: Councillor Vim Sharma

Seconded: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

Councillor Amye Un advised that community members have spoken to her about the excessive use of bad language in the area.

The Lord Mayor advised that the General Manager Community Matt Grassmayr has taken the general business item on notice.

**CARRIED 11/0**

**19.5 CAVENAGH STREET****RESOLUTION ORD145/24**

Moved: Councillor Vim Sharma

Seconded: Councillor Brian O'Gallagher

The Lord Mayor reported on receiving positive feedback on the works being undertaken along Cavenagh Street.

**CARRIED 11/0**

**20 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING****RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 28 May 2024, at 5:30pm (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Council Chambers Darrandirra, Level 1, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

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

THAT pursuant to Section 99 (2) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and Regulation 8 of the Local Government 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*:

**28.1 Draft 2024/25 Municipal Plan**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(iv) 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 information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

**28.2 Chapel Lane Redevelopment**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(i) 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 information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

**28.3 Appointment of Chair Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(iv) 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 information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

**28.4 Community Grants Round 1 and Reconciliation/NAIDOC Week Program Recommendations 2024**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(i) 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 information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

**28.5 2024 East Point Reserve Advisory Committee Membership Appointment**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(iv) 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 information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

**28.6 Christmas Pageant**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(iv) 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 information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

**28.7 Cyclone Tracy Memorial at East Point**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(iv) 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 information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

**28.8 Micromobility Update**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(i) 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 information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

#### **28.9 Smith Street Greening Concepts**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(i) 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 information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

#### **28.10 Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Budget Recommendation 2023/2024**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(iv) 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 information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

#### **29.1 Corporate Services Quarterly Report - January to March 2024**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(a) and 51(c)(iv) 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 information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual and information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

#### **29.2 George Park Playground Petition**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(iv) 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 information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

#### **29.3 Committee Meeting Confidential Minutes**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(i) 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 information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

## **22      ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON**

### **RESOLUTION ORD146/24**

Moved:      Councillor Amye Un

Seconded: Councillor Ed Smelt

THAT the open section of the meeting be adjourned at 6:29 pm.

**CARRIED 11/0**

THAT the open section of the meeting be resumed at 7:29 pm.

THAT the chair declared the meeting closed at 7:29 pm.

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28 May 2024.**

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**CHAIR**