



# **MINUTES**

**Ordinary Council Meeting  
Tuesday, 30 November 2021**

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**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN  
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY CHAN AVENUE,  
DARWIN  
ON TUESDAY, 30 NOVEMBER 2021 AT 5:30PM**

- PRESENT:** Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis, Alderman Paul Arnold, Alderman Jimmy Bouhoris, Alderman Justine Glover, Alderman Sylvia Klonaris, Alderman Brian O'Gallagher, Alderman Mick Palmer, Alderman Peter Pangquee, Alderman Morgan Rickard, Alderman Vim Sharma, Alderman Ed Smelt, Alderman Amye Un, Alderman Rebecca Want de Rowe
- OFFICERS:** Scott Waters (Chief Executive Officer), Simone Saunders (Chief Financial Officer), Matt Grassmayr (General Manager Community), Joshua Sattler (General Manager Innovation)
- Gemma Perkins (Governance Business Partner), Russell Holden (Executive Manager Finance), Drosso Lelekis (Executive Manager Technical Services), Angela O'Donnell (Executive Manager Community and Cultural Services), Alice Percy (Executive Manager Growth and Development Services), Emma Young (Executive Manager Environment, Climate and Waste Services), Anita Stirrat (Property Officer), Charmaine Davis (Carpark Office Administrator), Lisa Burnett (Coordinator Youth Programs), Teresa Helm (Youth Engagement Officer)
- APOLOGY:** Nil
- GUESTS:** Emily Ford, David Ninan, Anais Henry-Martin, Megan Rollings and Ruizhe Zhao (Youth Advisory Committee)

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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.

## **3 MEETING DECLARED OPEN**

### **RESOLUTION ORD453/21**

Moved: Alderman Justine Glover

Seconded: Alderman Sylvia Klonaris

The Chair declared the meeting open at 5.32 pm.

**CARRIED 13/0**

## **4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

### **4.1 APOLOGIES**

Nil

### **4.2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED**

Nil

### **4.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTED**

Nil

## **5 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE**

### **5.1 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE GRANTED**

Nil

### **5.2 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE REQUESTED**

Nil

## **6 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF**

### **6.1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS**

Nil

### **6.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY STAFF**

Nil

## **7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### **RESOLUTION ORD454/21**

Moved: Alderman Peter Pangquee

Seconded: Alderman Justine Glover

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 16 November 2021 be confirmed.

**CARRIED 13/0**

## **8 MOVING OF ITEMS**

### **8.1 MOVING OF OPEN ITEMS INTO CONFIDENTIAL**

Nil

### **8.2 MOVING OF CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS INTO OPEN**

Nil

**9        MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE / LORD MAYORAL MINUTE**

Nil

**10       PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Nil

**11       PETITIONS**

Nil

**12       DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS**

Nil

**13       NOTICES OF MOTION**

Nil

**14 ACTION REPORTS****14.1 YOUTH STRATEGY 2022-2026****RESOLUTION ORD455/21**

Moved: Alderman Peter Pangquee

Seconded: Alderman Rebecca Want de Rowe

1. THAT the report entitled Youth Strategy 2022-26 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopt the Youth Strategy 2022-2026.

**CARRIED 13/0**

**14.2 REVIEW OF POLICY 024 - INVESTMENT POLICY****RESOLUTION ORD456/21**

Moved: Alderman Morgan Rickard

Seconded: Alderman Ed Smelt

1. THAT the report entitled Review of Policy 024 – Investment be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse the revised Policy 024 – Investment.

**CARRIED 13/0**

**14.3 PARKSIDE ESTATE BERRIMAH - PLACE NAMES APPLICATION****RESOLUTION ORD457/21**

Moved: Alderman Brian O'Gallagher

Seconded: Alderman Sylvia Klonaris

1. THAT the report entitled 'Parkside Estate Berrimah - Place Names Application' be received and noted.
2. THAT Council support the two proposed road names and one park name, for Parkside Estate Berrimah:
  - (a) Road 1 – Whipray Circuit
  - (b) Road 2 – Parisia Court
  - (c) Park – Macumba Park

**CARRIED 13/0**

**14.4 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION OUTCOME - WALKWAY 207 - CREBER COURT TO MCMILLANS ROAD KARAMA****RESOLUTION ORD458/21**

Moved: Alderman Justine Glover

Seconded: Alderman Brian O'Gallagher

1. THAT the report entitled Walkway Community Consultation Outcome – Walkway 207 (Creber



Court to McMillans Road, Karama) be received and noted.

2. THAT Council approve night-time closure from 9pm to 5:30am of Walkway 207 Creber Court to McMillans Road, Karama.
3. THAT the residents who provided feedback through the consultation process be informed of Council's decision.

**CARRIED 13/0**

#### **14.5 REMOTELY PILOTED AIRCRAFT POLICY**

##### **RESOLUTION ORD459/21**

Moved: Alderman Morgan Rickard

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

1. THAT the report entitled Remotely Piloted Aircraft Policy be received and noted.
2. THAT the policy titled Remotely Piloted Aircraft Policy be approved.

**CARRIED 13/0**

#### **14.6 APPOINTMENT TO ACTIVATE DARWIN ADVISORY BOARD**

##### **RESOLUTION ORD460/21**

Moved: Alderman Vim Sharma

Seconded: Alderman Rebecca Want de Rowe

1. THAT the report entitled Appointments to Activate Darwin Advisory Board be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approves the appointment of Alderman Paul Arnold to the Activate Darwin Advisory Board as representative of the Council until 23 May 2023.

**CARRIED 13/0**

#### **TAKE OFF TABLE**

##### **RESOLUTION ORD461/21**

Moved: Alderman Rebecca Want de Rowe

Seconded: Alderman Jimmy Bouhoris

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

**CARRIED 13/0**

**14.7 LEE POINT SUBDIVISION PLACE NAMES APPLICATION****RESOLUTION ORD462/21**

Moved: Alderman Mick Palmer

Seconded: Alderman Jimmy Bouhoris

1. THAT the report entitled Lee Point Subdivision Place Names Application be received and noted.
2. THAT Council support the four road names for stage one, already approved by the Northern Territory Place Names Committee:
  - (a) Road A – Melaleuca Street
  - (b) Road B – Cycad Circuit
  - (c) Road C – Monsoon Road
  - (d) Road D – Teatree Street
3. THAT Council support the proposed five road names for stages six and seven that are yet to be approved by the Northern Territory Place Names Committee:

Stage six

  - (a) Vine Street
  - (b) Mangrove Way

Stage seven

  - (a) Rainforest Court
  - (b) Canopy Crescent
  - (c) Thicket Street
4. THAT Council support the alternative road name, as a substitute for any road names that may not meet the Place Names Committee approval:
  - (a) Sanctuary Court

**CARRIED 12/1**

**15 RECEIVE & NOTE REPORTS**

*Alderman Rebecca Want de Rowe departed the meeting at 5:57 pm.*

**15.1 STORMWATER DRAINAGE INFRASTRUCTURE CCTV SURVEYS UPDATE****RESOLUTION ORD463/21**

Moved: Alderman Peter Pangquee

Seconded: Alderman Ed Smelt

THAT the report entitled Stormwater Drainage Infrastructure CCTV Surveys Update be received and noted.

**CARRIED 12/0**

*Alderman Rebecca Want de Rowe re-joined the meeting at 5:58 pm.*

**15.2 JINGILI WATER GARDENS - INTRODUCTION OF CCTV NETWORK BY THE NORTHERN TERRITORY GOVERNMENT****RESOLUTION ORD464/21**

Moved: Alderman Brian O'Gallagher

Seconded: Alderman Rebecca Want de Rowe

THAT the report entitled Jingili Water Gardens – Introduction of CCTV Network by the Northern Territory Government be received and noted.

**CARRIED 13/0**

**15.3 DARWIN CITY CENTRE MASTER PLAN REVIEW 2021 - NOVEMBER UPDATE****RESOLUTION ORD465/21**

Moved: Alderman Brian O'Gallagher

Seconded: Alderman Justine Glover

1. THAT the report entitled 'Darwin City Centre Master Plan Review 2021 – November Update' be received and noted.
2. THAT Council note the concepts in the Darwin City Centre Master Plan that have not yet commenced are still relevant but not currently feasible to warrant a cost/benefit analysis.
3. THAT Council note that a Darwin Municipal Master Plan will enable a strategic framework for planning and development priorities across the municipality.

**CARRIED 13/0**

**15.4 PLAY AND ACTIVE RECREATION SPACE STRATEGY UPDATE****RESOLUTION ORD466/21**

Moved: Alderman Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Alderman Morgan Rickard

THAT the report entitled Play and Active Recreation Space Strategy Update be received and noted.

**CARRIED 13/0**

**15.5 QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2021 (Q1)****RESOLUTION ORD467/21**

Moved: Alderman Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Alderman Ed Smelt

THAT the report entitled Quarterly Performance Report – September 2021 (Q1) be received and noted.

**CARRIED 13/0**

**15.6 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - OCTOBER 2021****RESOLUTION ORD468/21**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Alderman Rebecca Want de Rowe

THAT the report entitled Monthly Financial Report – October 2021 be received and noted.

**CARRIED 13/0**

**15.7 EAST POINT RESERVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES - 28 OCTOBER 2021****RESOLUTION ORD469/21**

Moved: Alderman Mick Palmer

Seconded: Alderman Morgan Rickard

1. THAT the report entitled East Point Reserve Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – 28 October 2021 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council notes the committee recommendation to develop an East Point Reserve Strategic Plan.

**CARRIED 13/0**

**15.8 COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**RESOLUTION ORD470/21**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Alderman Amye Un

THAT the report entitled Community Advisory Committee Minutes be received and noted.

**CARRIED 13/0**

**15.9 RISK MANAGEMENT & AUDIT COMMITTEE MINUTES - 29 OCTOBER 2021**

**RESOLUTION ORD471/21**

Moved: Alderman Brian O'Gallagher

Seconded: Alderman Jimmy Bouhoris

THAT the report entitled Risk Management & Audit Committee Minutes – 29 October 2021 be received and noted.

**CARRIED 13/0**

**16      REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES****RESOLUTION ORD472/21**

Moved: Alderman Rebecca Want de Rowe

Seconded: Alderman Jimmy Bouhoris

THAT the following Reports of Representatives be received and noted.

**16.1**

Alderman Smelt reported on site tour with the Assertive Outreach team. Incredibly valuable. Thanks to Shannon and Lauren.

**16.2**

Alderman Morgan Rickard reported on the site tour with the Assertive Outreach team. A very effective team.

**16.3**

Alderman Brian O'Gallagher reported on the community meeting on Boulter Road. Action is happening, Council is interested in the issue.

**16.4**

Alderman Morgan Rickard reported on the meeting with Casuarina Childcare and Minister Moss. Encouraging despite the difficulties.

**16.5**

Alderman Sylvia Klonaris reported on Sanderson Middle School awards ceremony for year nine at the school.

**CARRIED 13/0**

## 17 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

### 17.1 STREET LIGHTS

#### Question

Alderman Ed Smelt queried how many street and public lights in City of Darwin municipality require conversation to LED? What proportion of total lights operated by City of Darwin does this represent? What is our current plan for ongoing conversation to LED lighting?

#### Answer

The General Manager Innovation responded and advised 9000 street parks and 800 park lights. 9700 have been updated to LED. Just under 99%. Remaining lights in Tiwi, subject to budget.

### 17.2 BAGOT OVAL MASTERPLAN

#### Question

Alderman Ed Smelt requested an update on Bagot Oval Masterplan timeline based on inception meeting with the consultant last week?

#### Answer

The General Manager Community responded and advised Bagot Oval Masterplan timeline based on inception meeting with the consultant last week.

MILESTONES		Commence	Finalise	Reports Council to
SITUATION ANALYSIS		22/11/21	23/12/21	
CONSULTATION PLAN		13/12/21	23/12/21	
CLIENT REVIEW & FEEDBACK		17/1/22	28/1/22	
CONSULTATION		31/1/22	4/3/22	
CONSULTATION OUTCOMES REPORT		7/3/22	25/3/22	12/04/2022
DRAFT MASTERPLAN 75% & REPORT		7/3/22	15/4/22	
COST ESTIMATE (QS)		18/4/22	29/4/22	
CLIENT REVIEW		2/5/22	13/5/22	17/05/2022
STAKEHOLDER PRESENTATION - 1Wk presentations & 1Wk responses		16/5/22	27/5/22	
FINAL MASTERPLAN & REPORT - Inclusive of Staging & Budgets		30/5/22	10/6/22	28/06/2022

**17.3 PHOENIX STREET NIGHTCLIFF****Question**

Alderman Morgan Rickard seeking information from the relevant departments at NTG about how and when the parking spots outside the old police station on Phoenix Street, Nightcliff, will be made available for use by the general public again; and provide that information to council?

**Answer**

The Chief Executive Officer took the question on notice.

**17.4 BUFFALO CREEK BOAT RAMP****Question**

Alderman Bouhoris queried the Buffalo Creek upgrade.

**Answer**

The Chief Financial Officer responded and advised that we are waiting on information. Expected in March 2022.

**17.5 CHANGING TITLES FROM ALDERMAN TO COUNCILLOR****Question**

Alderman Brian O’Gallagher followed up regarding the timing of changing titles from Alderman to Councillor.

**Answer**

The Chief Executive Officer responded and advised a report will go to Council in the New Year.

**17.6 MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT****Question**

Alderman Klonaris followed up the invite to the Minister for Local Government.

**Answer**

The Chief Executive Officer responded and advised that the invite has been sent however waiting a response.



**18 GENERAL BUSINESS****18.1 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE - MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE, PLANNING AND LOGISTICS REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF LEE POINT****RESOLUTION ORD473/21**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Alderman Rebecca Want de Rowe

THAT the incoming correspondence from the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics regarding the Development of Lee Point be received and noted.

**CARRIED 13/0**

**18.2 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE - SENATOR MALARNDIRRI MCCARTHY REGARDING ELECTORAL LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (VOTER INTEGRITY ) BILL 2021****RESOLUTION ORD474/21**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Alderman Rebecca Want de Rowe

THAT the incoming correspondence from Senator Malarndirri McCarthy regarding the Electoral Legislation Amendment (Voter Integrity) Bill 2021 be received and noted.

**CARRIED 13/0**

**18.3 SAFETY ASSESSMENT****RESOLUTION ORD475/21**

Moved: Alderman Ed Smelt

Seconded: Alderman Morgan Rickard

THAT the Chief Executive Officer provide a report to Council with a safety assessment of the informal pedestrian crossing on the eastern leg of the roundabout at Progress Drive and Dick Ward Drive in Nightcliff and the current speed limits on Progress Drive between Dick Ward Drive and Nightcliff Road.

During the works for the new police station in Nightcliff, a temporary pedestrian refuge has been staked out with bollards. This has improved pedestrian safety for Coconut Grove residents crossing Progress Drive to access schools and shops in Nightcliff and Rapid Creek, however, will be removed with the conclusion of the works. Currently the eastbound section of Progress Drive between Dick Ward Drive and Nightcliff Road is 50 km/hr while the westbound section is 60 km/hr. This difference in speed limits on opposite sides of the same road can be confusing and send mixed messages to drivers in this highly pedestrianised area.

The report is to include a safety assessment, potential upgrade options for increasing safety at the informal pedestrian crossing and review of speed limits, with respective cost estimates, for presentation at the 1st Ordinary Council Meeting in March 2022.

**CARRIED 13/0****19 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING****RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 7 December 2021, at 5:30pm (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Council Chambers, Level 1, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

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

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.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act:

**26.1 Football NT and Club Proposals for Bagot, Malak and Fannie Bay Ovals**

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.

**26.2 125 Mitchell Street Carpark Lease**

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.

**26.3 Off Street Reserved Carparking**

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.

**26.4 YMCA NT Pool Patron Access Management Proposal**

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.

**26.5 Austin Lane/Spain Place signage options**

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.

**26.6 Casuarina Library Security**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(iii) 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 prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff.

**26.7 Donation of Fleet to Tiwi Islands Council**

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.

**27.1 Assessment of General Rate Exemption Requests**

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.

### **27.2 Corporate Services Report - October 2021**

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.

### **27.3 Risk Management & Audit Committee Confidential Minutes - 29 October 2021**

This matter is considered to be confidential under - 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 .

## 21 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON

### RESOLUTION ORD476/21

Moved: Alderman Peter Pangquee

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

THAT the open section of the meeting be adjourned at 6.42pm.

**CARRIED 13/0**

## 31 RESUMPTION OF OPEN MEETING

### RESOLUTION ORD477/21

Moved: Alderman Peter Pangquee

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

THAT the open section of the meeting be resumed at 8.58pm.

**CARRIED 13/0**

## 32 CLOSURE OF MEETING

### RESOLUTION ORD478/21

Moved: Alderman Peter Pangquee

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

THAT the chair declared the meeting closed at 8.58pm.

**CARRIED 13/0**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 7 December 2021.**

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**CHAIR**