



MINUTES

**Arts and Cultural Development
Advisory Committee Meeting
Wednesday, 31 August 2022**

**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN
ARTS AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY CHAN AVENUE, DARWIN
ON WEDNESDAY, 31 AUGUST 2022 AT 4.00 PM**

PRESENT:	Community Member CJ Fraser Bell, Community Member Teghan Hughes, Community Member Katharina Fehringer, Community Member Alyson Evans, Community Member Abelito Langbid, Community Member Kelly Blumberg David Kurnoth, Larrakia Nation Organisational Representative, Edwin Joseph, Multicultural Council of the Northern Territory (MCNT) Organisational Representative
OFFICERS:	Arts and Cultural Development Officer Jenelle Saunders, Community Development Officer Heather Docker
APOLOGIES:	Councillor Morgan Rickard, Jati Wixted, Darwin Entertainment Centre Organisational Representative, Vicktor Petroff, Arts NT Organisational Representative.
GUESTS:	Governance Projects Officer Edith Heiberg
OBSERVER:	Rachael Shanahan

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1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

The Chair declared the meeting open at 4.01 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

Member Jati Wixted, Darwin Entertainment Centre Representative.

Member Viktor Petroff, Arts NT Representative.

3.2 Leave of Absence

3.3 Leave of Absence Notified

4 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE

Member Alyson Evans

Member Teghan Hughes

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

5.1 Declaration of Interest by Members

5.2 Declaration of Interest by Staff

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AACDA014/22

Moved: Community Member CJ Fraser Bell

Seconded: Multicultural Council of the NT Edwin Joseph

That the minutes of the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee Meeting held on 11 May 2022 be confirmed.

CARRIED 8/0

7 ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

8 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

9 OFFICER REPORTS**9.1 ARTS AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON RECCOMENDATION****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AACDA015/22**

Moved: Multicultural Council of the NT Edwin Joseph

Seconded: Member Kelly Blumberg

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That it is recommended to Council that CJ Fraser Bell be nominated as Chairperson of the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee for the period beginning 31 August 2022 to 30 June 2024.

CARRIED 8/0**9.2 ADVISORY COMMITTEES BRIEF****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AACDA016/22**

Moved: Community Member CJ Fraser Bell

Seconded: Larrakia Nation David Kurnoth

Presentation was received and noted by Governance Projects Officer Edith Heiberg

CARRIED 8/0**DISCUSSION**

- Governance Projects Officer Edith Heiberg briefed members on the role of advisory committees, how to advise Council and the mechanisms for making recommendations.
- The Arts and Cultural Development Officer suggested the best use of the Committee's expertise and skillsets is to set up working groups for key projects within the next 12 months, including the development of the new Creative Strategy.
- For Council to consult ACDAC with consideration to Public Art opportunities in upcoming Council projects, including the Civic Centre redevelopment and the Casuarina Pool redevelopment.

9.3 UPDATE ON PROJECTS

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AACDA017/22

Moved: Community Member Katharina Fehringer

Seconded: Community Member CJ Fraser Bell

1. THAT the report Update on Projects be received and noted.

CARRIED 8/0

DISCUSSION

- It was noted the Executive Manager of Community and Cultural Services and team applied for grant funding to further develop the Bicentennial Park Public Art Commission by including improved access information for tourists, opportunities to access audio Larrakia stories as part of the Public Art work and to enhance the existing assets.

10 MEMBER REPORTS

Community Member – CJ Fraser Bell

The *Brown's Mart* 50th Birthday weekend is being held September 23-25 with free events all weekend presented by Brown's Mart and many of Darwin's Arts organisations, including Corrugated Iron Youth Arts, Tracks Dance, Darwin Theatre Company and Darwin Community Arts. Everyone is welcome to attend, particularly the big opening night courtyard concert taking place. Visit the Browns Mart website to find out more and download the weekend program.

Brown's Mart has just announced its *First Nations Artistic Advisory Group*. This group is comprised of Nadine Lee, Rachael Chisholm, Rob Collins and Rosealee Pearson.

CJ Fraser Bell is attending the *Australian Performing Arts Exchange* (APEX), held in Sydney in September, with colleagues from around Australia and Aotearoa. A key theme of discussions is the physical and mental health of the performing arts workforce with organisations looking at 4 day working weeks, alternate models of operating amongst other items.

Community Member – Rachael Shanahan

Darwin Frocktails is a community event for people who sew and create together. 2022 saw its successful inaugural event take place in June, with plans for the 2023 event taking shape. More information is available on their Facebook and Instagram pages.

Our Common Threads provide free weekly creative sewing sessions in the Darwin CBD for women. They have been nominated for a Community Volunteer Organisation/Team of the Year Award in the NT Volunteer Awards 2022. More information is available on their Facebook page.

Arts and Cultural Development Officer – Jenelle Saunders

Looking Forward is the newest 6 month exhibition series curated by Proper Creative for City of Darwin's CITYLIFE Platform (Lightboxes). It will be installed in early September and can be viewed until February 2023. Lightboxes are located at the Nightcliff Pool, in the Smith Street Mall and at the Dragonfly Carpark entrance (China Town), Smith Street.

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

12 NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 23 November, 2022

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 5.13pm.