



MINUTES

**Tree Advisory Committee Meeting
Thursday, 22 February 2024**

**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN
TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT DARWIN INNOVATION HUB
LEVEL 1/48-50 SMITH STREET, DARWIN CITY
ON THURSDAY, 22 FEBRUARY 2024 AT 9:00 AM**

PRESENT: Councillor Morgan Rickard
Australian Institute Landscape Architects Fiona Eddleston
NT Arboriculture Association Richard Kenyon
Parks and Wildlife Bryan Harty
Community Member Dr Greg Leach

OFFICERS: Tracy Bignell (Executive Manager Operations)
Melodee Brencher (Technical Arborist)
Nick Fewster (Executive Manager Environment and Waste Services)
Emma Smith (Coordinator Environment and Climate Change)
Bonne Zhao (Administration Officer)
Maya Moon (Administration Officer)

APOLOGY: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis
Larrakia Nation Ben Smith
Alternate Councillor Mick Palmer
Community Member Adam Grainger

GUESTS: CSIRO Stephen Cook
CSIRO Ray Marcos Martinez
CSIRO Natthanij Soonsawad

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APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

That Councillor Morgan Rickard is appointed as chair for the meeting.

1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

The Chair declared the meeting open at 9:17am

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**

Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Larrakia Nation Ben Smith

Alternate Councillor Mick Palmer

Community Member Adam Grainger

3.2 Leave of Absence**3.3 Leave of Absence Notified****4 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE**

Nick Frewster - Executive Manager Environment and Waste Services

CSIRO Stephen Cook

CSIRO Ray Marcos Martinez

CSIRO Natthanij Soonsawad

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 TAC016/24**

Moved: Parks and Wildlife Bryan Harty
Seconded: Community Member Dr Greg Leach

That the minutes of the Tree Advisory Committee Meeting held on 23 November 2023 be confirmed.

CARRIED 5/0

7 ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

8 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

9 OFFICER REPORTS**9.1 REVIEW TERMS OF REFERENCE - TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TAC017/24**

Moved: Councillor Morgan Rickard
Seconded: NT Arboriculture Association Richard Kenyon

1. THAT the report entitled Review Terms of Reference – Tree Advisory Committee be received and noted.
2. THAT the Tree Advisory Committee endorse the proposed changes to the Functions and Membership sections of the Terms of Reference at Attachment 1 and refer these to Council for approval subject to the amendment of section 4c and 4d to reflect a review period of four years.

CARRIED 5/0

10 MEMBER REPORTS**10.1 PREFERRED TREE SPECIES LIST****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TAC018/24**

Moved: Australian Institute Landscape Architects Fiona Eddleston
Seconded: Parks and Wildlife Bryan Harty

THAT the Preferred Tree Species List to be received by council officers no later than the 30 April 2024 to be included in the agenda for the Tree Advisory Committee meeting of 23 May 2024.

CARRIED 5/0

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

12 NEXT MEETING

23 May 2024

13 MEETING CLOSED

The open section of the meeting closed at 9:27am.

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