



MINUTES

Tree Advisory Committee Meeting Thursday, 22 August 2024

Date: Thursday, 22 August 2024

Time: 9:00 AM

**Location: Meeting Room Bidjpidji (Meeting Room 1)
Level 1, Civic Centre
Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin**

**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN
TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE MEETING ROOM BIDJPIDJI (MEETING ROOM 1), LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE,
HARRY CHAN AVENUE, DARWIN
ON THURSDAY, 22 AUGUST 2024 AT 9:00 AM**

PRESENT:

Councillor Morgan Rickard
Parks and Wildlife Bryan Harty
Australian Institute Landscape Architects Fiona Eddleston
Community Member Dr Greg Leach
Councillor Mick Palmer

OFFICERS:

Tracy Bignell (Executive Manager Operations)
Emma Smith (Coordinator Environment and Climate Change)
Maya Moon (Administration Officer)

APOLOGY:

Chairperson Kon Vatskalis
Community Member Adam Grainger
NT Arboriculture Association Richard Kenyon
Larrakia Nation Ben Smith

GUESTS:

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APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIR**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TAC019/24**

Moved: Australian Institute Landscape Architects Fiona Eddleston

Seconded: Community Member Dr Greg Leach

THAT Councillor Morgan Rickard is appointed as Chair for the meeting.

CARRIED 5/0

1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

The Chair declared the meeting open at 9:02am.

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**

Chairperson Kon Vatskalis

Community Member Adam Grainger

NT Arboriculture Association Richard Kenyon

Larrakia Nation Ben Smith

3.2 Leave of Absence

Nil

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 TAC020/24**

Moved: Australian Institute Landscape Architects Fiona Eddleston

Seconded: Community Member Dr Greg Leach

THAT the minutes of the Tree Advisory Committee Meeting held on held on 22 February 2024 be confirmed.

CARRIED 5/0

7 ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

8 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

9 OFFICER REPORTS**9.1 DRAFT PUBLIC TREE MANAGEMENT POLICY AND PROCEDURE****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TAC021/24**

Moved: Councillor Morgan Rickard

Seconded: Parks and Wildlife Bryan Harty

THAT the report entitled Draft Public Tree Management Policy and Procedure be received and noted with the following:

- The policy and procedure are quality documents, will add value and are timely
- Consideration be given to include wording around restricting access within the "Tree Protection Zone" areas
- Clarification around Tree Removals bullet points in section 3.3 not being read as singular discrete items
- It was noted the Significant Tree Register will be presented as a draft to the Tree Advisory Committee once developed for review and feedback.

CARRIED 5/0

9.2 PREFERRED AND NOT RECOMMENDED TO BE PLANTED TREE LIST RATIONALE**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TAC022/24**

Moved: Community Member Dr Greg Leach

Seconded: Parks and Wildlife Bryan Harty

THAT the report entitled 'Preferred and not recommended to be planted tree list' rationale be received and noted.

CARRIED 5/0

10 MEMBER REPORTS

Nil

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

12 NEXT MEETING

28 November 2024, 9:00am

13 CLOSURE OF OPEN AGENDA

The open section of the meeting closed at 9:29am.