



# **MINUTES**

**Tree Advisory Committee Meeting  
Thursday, 23 February 2023**

**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN  
TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY CHAN AVENUE,  
DARWIN  
ON THURSDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2023 AT 9.00 AM - 10.00 AM**

**PRESENT:**

Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis  
Councillor Morgan Rickard  
Community Member Dr Greg Leach  
Community Member Adam Grainger  
NT Arboriculture Association Richard Kenyon  
Larrakia Nation Ben Smith

**OFFICERS:**

Ron Quinn (Executive Manager Operations)  
Jamie Lewis (Senior Coordinator Parks & Reserves)  
Nick Fewster (Executive Manager Environment & Waste Services)  
Emma Smith (Coordinator Environment & Climate Change)  
Melodee Brencher (Technical Arborist)  
Bonne Zhao (Administration Officer)  
Maya Moon (Administration Officer)

**APOLOGY:**

Councillor Peter Pangquee  
Parks and Wildlife Bryan Harty  
Urban Development Institute of Australia (NT) Hermanus Louw  
Australian Institute Landscape Architects Fiona Eddleston

**GUESTS:**

Dr Stephen Reynolds  
Mr Tony Cox

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## **1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN**

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

## **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**

- Councillor Peter Pangquee
- Parks and Wildlife Bryan Harty
- Urban Development Institute of Australia (NT) Hermanus Louw
- Australian Institute Landscape Architects Fiona Eddleston

### **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**

Larrakia Nation Representative Ben Smith informed the Committee that he has commenced as a casual Public Places Ranger for the City of Darwin on weekends.

### **5.2 Declaration of Interest by Staff**

Nil

**6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TAC006/23**

Moved: Community Member Dr Greg Leach

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

That the minutes of the Tree Advisory Committee Meeting held on 25 November 2022 be confirmed.

**CARRIED 6/0**

**7 ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Nil

**8 PRESENTATIONS**

Refer to Item 9.1

**9 OFFICER REPORTS****9.1 PRESENTATION BY DR. STEPHEN REYNOLDS****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TAC007/23**

Moved: NT Arboriculture Association Richard Kenyon

Seconded: Councillor Morgan Rickard

1. THAT the report entitled Presentation by Dr. Stephen Reynolds be received and noted.

**CARRIED 6/0**

Councillor Morgan Rickard arrived at 9:15 am

**9.2 TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE - 2023 DELIVERY PLAN****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TAC008/23**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Community Member Dr Greg Leach

1. THAT the report entitled Tree Advisory Committee - 2023 Delivery Plan be received and noted.
2. THAT The Committee adopt a delivery plan for 2023 for delivery of advice to Council on matters outlined in the Committee's Terms of Reference.

**CARRIED 6/0**

**9.3 TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION TAC009/23**

Moved: Community Member Adam Grainger

Seconded: Larrakia Nation Ben Smith

1. THAT the report entitled Tree Advisory Committee - Questions from Members be received and noted.

**CARRIED 6/0**

**ACTION** – Senior Coordinator Parks & Reserves, Jamie Lewis to provide information within the next month.

**10 MEMBER REPORTS**

Nil

**11 GENERAL BUSINESS**

Mr Tony Cox queried Carbon Management and monitor Irrigation and shade density

**12 NEXT MEETING**

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 9:50 am.