



MINUTES

Sister City Advisory Committee Meeting

Wednesday, 27 March 2024

Date: Wednesday, 27 March 2024

Time: 5:30 PM

**Location: Council Chambers Darrandirra
Level 1, Civic Centre
Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin**

**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN
SISTER CITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS DARRANDIRRA, LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY
CHAN AVENUE, DARWIN
ON WEDNESDAY, 27 MARCH 2024 AT 5:30 PM**

PRESENT:

Chair Kate Heelan
Councillor Sylvia Klonaris
Community Member Vida Ruth Goodvach
Community Member Nerida Hart
Community Member Stephanie Lin
Community Member Ninik Stroud
Alternate Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

OFFICERS:

Emma Struys (Executive Manager Growth and Economic Development)
Cherry Cai (Manager of Economic Development and International Relations)

APOLOGY:

Community Member Max Stretton
Community Member Tony Miaoudis
Community Member Cornelio De Varvaldo

GUESTS:

Nil

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1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

THAT the Chair declared the meeting open at 5:30 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

Community Member Max Stretton

Community Member Tony Miaoudis

Community Member Cornelio De Varvaldo

3.2 Leave of Absence

3.3 Leave of Absence Notified

Nil

4 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE

Community Member Vida Ruth Goodvach

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 SCAC001/24

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Community Member Nerida Hart

THAT the minutes of the Sister City Advisory Committee Meeting held on 29 November 2023 be confirmed.

CARRIED 6/0

7 ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

8 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

9 OFFICER REPORTS**9.1 UPDATE ON FRIENDSHIP CITY PROPOSAL WITH THE CITY OF QUANZHOU****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SCAC002/24**

Moved: Community Member Ninik Stroud

Seconded: Community Member Nerida Hart

THAT the report entitled Update on Friendship City Proposal with the City of Quanzhou be received and noted.

CARRIED 6/0**9.2 2023/24 SISTER CITIES ACTION PLAN AND BUDGET UPDATE****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SCAC003/24**

Moved: Community Member Ninik Stroud

Seconded: Community Member Nerida Hart

THAT the report entitled 2023/24 Sister Cities Action Plan and budget update be received and noted.

CARRIED 6/0**9.3 LORD MAYOR CHINA TRIP UPDATE****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SCAC004/24**

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Community Member Stephanie Lin

THAT the report entitled Lord Mayor China Trip Update be received and noted.

CARRIED 6/0**9.4 UPDATE ON FRIENDSHIP CITY PROPOSAL WITH THE CITY OF HO CHI MINH****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SCAC005/24**

Moved: Community Member Stephanie Lin

Seconded: Community Member Vida Ruth Goodvach

THAT the report entitled Update on Friendship City proposal with the City of Ho Chi Minh be received and noted.

THAT the Sister City Advisory Committee recommends City of Darwin to include the following cooperation areas in the Memorandum of Understanding of Friendship City relationship between Darwin and Ho Chi Minh.

CARRIED 6/0

10 MEMBER REPORTS

Nil

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

11.1 MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION SCAC006/24

Moved: Community Member Stephanie Lin

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

THAT the report entitled Membership Update be received and noted.

THAT the Sister City Advisory Committee receive the resignation letter from Mr Max Stretton.

THAT the Sister City Advisory Committee thanks Mr Max Stretton's contributions to the Sister City Advisory Committee and its programs.

CARRIED 6/0

11.2

Community Member Vida Ruth Goodvach briefed the Committee on the proposal of Jipungwayi Sister City project and Milikapiti School. No vote and resolution was conducted to follow the meeting procedure. Vida Goodvach was provided the information on the process and current status of Sister City Agreement renewal negotiation between City of Darwin and Tiwi Regional Council.

12 NEXT MEETING

12 June 2024 at 5:30 pm

13 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 6:11 pm.