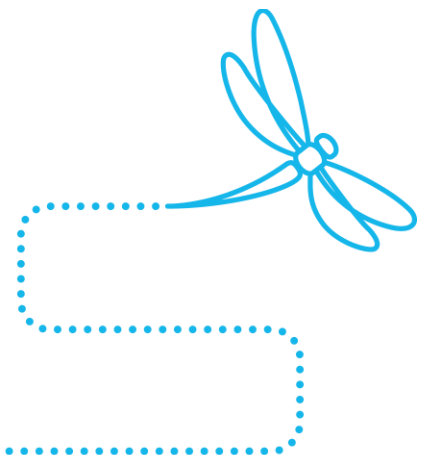


Minutes

Ordinary Council Meeting

Tuesday, 28 January 2025

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**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS DARRANDIRRA, LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY
CHAN AVENUE, DARWIN
ON TUESDAY, 28 JANUARY 2025 AT 5:30PM**

PRESENT:

Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis (Chair)
Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston
Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris
Councillor Kim Farrar
Councillor Sylvia Klonaris
Councillor Morgan Rickard
Councillor Vim Sharma
Councillor Ed Smelt
Councillor Rebecca Want de Rowe

OFFICERS

Acting Chief Executive Officer, Matt Grassmayr
General Manager Corporate, Natalie Williamson
General Manager Innovation, Alice Percy

APOLOGY:

Councillor Amye Un
Councillor Mick Palmer
Councillor Peter Pangquee

GUESTS:

The Chung Wah Society

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Unconfirmed

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We the members of City of Darwin acknowledge that we are meeting on Larrakia Country.

We recognise and pay our respects to all Larrakia people, Traditional Owners and Custodian Elders of the past and present.

We support emerging Larrakia leaders now and into the future.

We are committed to working together with all Larrakia to care for this land and sea for our shared future.

2 THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever.

Amen

3 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

RESOLUTION ORD001/25

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Councillor Vim Sharma

The Chair declared the meeting open at 5:32 pm.

CARRIED 9/0

4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4.1 APOLOGIES

RESOLUTION ORD002/25

Moved: Councillor Kim Farrar

Seconded: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

THAT the apology from Councillor Amye Un, Councillor Peter Pangquee and Councillor Mick Palmer, be received

CARRIED 9/0

4.2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

Nil

4.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTED

RESOLUTION ORD003/25

Moved: Councillor Kim Farrar

Seconded: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

1. THAT a Leave of Absence be granted for Councillor Rebecca Want De Rowe for the period 4 March 2025 to 7 April 2025.
2. THAT a Leave of Absence be granted for Councillor Sylvia Klonaris for the period 8 April 2025.

CARRIED 9/0

5 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

5.1 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE GRANTED

Nil

5.2 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE REQUESTED

Nil

6 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

6.1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

RESOLUTION ORD004/25

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Councillor Rebecca Want de Rowe

THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston, declared a Conflict of Interest in Item 28.3 – Works In-Kind Request.

CARRIED 9/0

6.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY STAFF

Nil

7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**RESOLUTION ORD005/25**

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Councillor Rebecca Want de Rowe

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 3 December 2024 be confirmed.

CARRIED 9/0

8 MOVING OF ITEMS**8.1 MOVING OF OPEN ITEMS INTO CONFIDENTIAL**

Nil

8.2 MOVING OF CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS INTO OPEN

Nil

8.3 MOVING CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS TO OPEN AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING**28.1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR ARTS AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE****RESOLUTION ORD028/25**

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Councillor Rebecca Want de Rowe

1. THAT the report entitled Appointment of Chair Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee be received and noted.
2. THAT Council appoint Rachael Shanahan as the Chair of the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee from 29 January 2025 to 30 September 2026.
3. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
4. THAT the documents remain confidential, and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

CARRIED 8/0

28.2 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR ACCESS AND INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**RESOLUTION ORD029/25**

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Councillor Kim Farrar

1. THAT the report entitled Appointment of Chair Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee be

received and noted.

2. THAT Council appoint Alison Warwick as Chair of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee from 29 January 2025 to 31 March 2026.
3. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
4. THAT the documents remain confidential, and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

CARRIED 8/0

28.4 DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

RESOLUTION ORD034/25

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Councillor Ed Smelt

This report was laid on the table at the 29 October 2024 meeting.

1. THAT the report entitled Disposal of Surplus Property be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse to pursue subdivision, rezone and change of use of the land at 20 Holtze Street, Parap, consisting of approximately 1100m² of land separated from the parent lot as detailed in this report.
3. THAT Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to facilitate the sale of the subdivided lot and caretaker's residence for market value following the applications and approval of subdivision, rezone and change of use.
4. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
5. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

In Favour: Members Jimmy Bouhoris, Kim Farrar, Sylvia Klonaris, Morgan Rickard, Vim Sharma, Ed Smelt, Rebecca Want de Rowe and Sam Weston

Against: Nil

CARRIED 8/0

28.5 2025/2026 BUDGET DEVELOPMENT

RESOLUTION ORD035/25

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

Seconded: Councillor Ed Smelt

1. THAT the report entitled 2025/2026 Budget Development be received and noted.
2. THAT Council note the Draft Budget Assumptions 2025/2026 for the budget development provided at Attachment 1.
3. That Council endorse the Council Budget Timetable 2025/2026 provided at Attachment 2.
4. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
5. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

CARRIED 8/0

28.6	REVIEW OF CONFIDENTIAL DECISIONS – ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETINGS AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS
RESOLUTION ORD036/25 Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt Seconded: Councillor Morgan Rickard 1. THAT the report entitled Review of Confidential Decisions – Ordinary Council Meetings and Council Committee Meetings be received and noted. 2. THAT Council approve to move certain decisions at Attachment 1, made between 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2024 from Confidential to Open. 3. THAT Council approve to move certain decisions at Attachment 2, made between 1 July 2024 to 31 December 2024 from Confidential to Open. 4. THAT Council approve to move certain decisions at Attachment 4 for Executive and Advisory Committees, made between 1 July 2024 to 31 December 2024 from Confidential to Open. 5. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the <i>Local Government Act 2019</i>. 6. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting. CARRIED 8/0	
29.1	CORPORATE SERVICES QUARTERLY REPORT OCTOBER TO DECEMBER 2024
RESOLUTION ORD037/25 Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris Seconded: Councillor Morgan Rickard 1. THAT the report entitled Corporate Services Quarterly Report October to December 2024 be received and noted. 2. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293(1) of the <i>Local Government Act 2019</i>. 3. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting. CARRIED 8/0	
29.3	ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) STEERING COMMITTEE CONFIDENTIAL MEETING MINUTES
RESOLUTION ORD039/25 Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris Seconded: Councillor Kim Farrar 1. THAT the report entitled Advisory Committees and Information Communication Technology (ICT) Steering Committee Confidential Meeting Minutes be received and noted. 2. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the <i>Local Government Act 2019</i>. 3. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the	

end of the meeting.

CARRIED 8/0

29.4 UPDATE ON CODE OF CONDUCT MATTERS

RESOLUTION ORD040/25

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

Seconded: Councillor Vim Sharma

1. THAT the report entitled Update on Code of Conduct Matters be received and noted.
2. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
3. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

CARRIED 8/0

30.1 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE - DEPARTMENT OF LOGISTICS AND INFRASTRUCTURE - STATE SQUARE AND CIVIC PARK CONSOLIDATION

RESOLUTION ORD041/25

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Councillor Morgan Rickard

1. THAT the report entitled Incoming Correspondence - Department of Logistics and Infrastructure - State Square and Civic Park Consolidation be received and noted
2. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
3. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

CARRIED 8/0

9 MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE / LORD MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

10 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

11 PETITIONS

Nil

12 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS

12.1 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS

RESOLUTION ORD006/25

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Councillor Vim Sharma

THAT the Chinese New Year Blessing, from the Chung Wah Society, be received and noted.

CARRIED 9/0

13 NOTICES OF MOTION

13.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - SHARED AND PEDESTRIAN PATH AUDIT REPORT

I, Councillor Ed Smelt, give notice that at the next Ordinary Council Meeting on 28 January 2025, I will move the following motion:-

RESOLUTION ORD007/25

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

THAT a report is provided to Council tabling the below documents, including any appendices, commissioned as actions under the City of Darwin Movement Strategy:

- a. Shared path audit which identifies locations for cycling and micromobility infrastructure opportunities, completed as part of the 2023-24 Municipal Plan
- b. Pedestrian path audit which identifies locations of pedestrian infrastructure opportunities including, path widening, relocation and conflict reduction

CARRIED 9/0

13.2 NOTICE OF MOTION - LAND ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL POLICY UPDATE

I, Councillor Ed Smelt, give notice that at the next Ordinary Council Meeting on 28 January 2025, I will move the following motion:-

MOTION

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Councillor Morgan Rickard

1. THAT Council note the sale of public land is of great importance and interest to our community and 'you can only sell the farm once'.
2. THAT Council amend the City of Darwin Land Acquisition and Disposal Policy, No. 7610.100.E.R by inserting the following passage under section 3.2 Disposal of land:

Prior to all sales of City of Darwin land:

- *at least 4 weeks prior to Council making a decision, publish notice of intention to do so on the City of Darwin website and social media channels; and*
- *undertake a community engagement process in accordance with the City of Darwin Community Engagement Policy*

The results of the community engagement will be reported to Council for a decision whether the Council Land will be sold, retained or considered for some other alternative use. Following a decision, the community will be informed of the decision.

AMENDMENT

1. THAT Council note the sale of public land is of great importance and interest to our community and 'you can only sell the farm once'.
2. THAT Officers review the City of Darwin Land Acquisition and Disposal Policy No.7610.100.E.R
3. THAT a revised draft City of Darwin Land Acquisition and Disposal Policy No.7610.100.E.R. is presented to Council for consideration that includes:

Prior to all sales of City of Darwin land:

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Councillor Ed Smelt proposed an amendment and with the consent of the seconder, the amendment was accepted.

AMENDMENT

1. THAT Council note the sale of public land is of great importance and interest to our community and 'you can only sell the farm once'.
2. THAT Officers review the City of Darwin Land Acquisition and Disposal Policy No.7610.100.E.R

3. THAT a revised draft City of Darwin Land Acquisition and Disposal Policy No.7610.100.E.R. is presented to Council for consideration by June 2025 that includes:'

Prior to all sales of City of Darwin land:

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The results of the community engagement will be reported to Council for a decision whether the Council Land will be sold, retained or considered for some other alternative use. Following a decision, the community will be informed of the decision.

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris proposed an amendment and with the consent of the mover, the amendment was accepted.

RESOLUTION ORD008/25

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Councillor Morgan Rickard

1. THAT Council note the sale of public land is of great importance and interest to our community and 'you can only sell the farm once'.
2. THAT Officers review the City of Darwin Land Acquisition and Disposal Policy No.7610.100.E.R
3. THAT a revised draft City of Darwin Land Acquisition and Disposal Policy No.7610.100.E.R. is presented to Council for consideration by June 2025, that includes:'

Prior to all sales of City of Darwin land:

- *at least 4 weeks prior to Council making a decision, publish notice of intention to do so on the City of Darwin website and social media channels; and*
- *undertake a community engagement process in accordance with the City of Darwin Community Engagement Policy*

The results of the community engagement will be reported to Council for a decision whether the Council Land will be sold, retained or considered for some other alternative use. Following a decision, the community will be informed of the decision.

CARRIED 9/0

14 ACTION REPORTS

14.1 PLACE NAMES APPLICATION - MARRARA GARDENS - NAMING OF FIVE ROADS

RESOLUTION ORD009/25

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

1. THAT the report entitled Place Names Application - Marrara Gardens - Naming of Five Roads be received and noted.
2. THAT Council supports the following proposed five road names for 'Marrara Gardens' Marrara, as submitted by the developer and landowner, Marrara Gardens Pty Ltd, for Portions – 1841, 1842, 1843 (440, 450, 460) McMillans Road, Marrara:
 - (a) Kennons
 - (b) Jeffs
 - (c) Kemp
 - (d) Boubaris
 - (e) Ludwig

CARRIED 9/0

15 RECEIVE & NOTE REPORTS

15.1 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION OUTCOMES - ACCESS STRATEGY

RESOLUTION ORD010/25

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

THAT the report entitled Community Consultation Outcomes - Access Strategy be received and noted.

CARRIED 9/0

15.2 ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES - GREATER DARWIN BRAND

RESOLUTION ORD011/25

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

THAT the report entitled Engagement Outcomes - Greater Darwin Brand be received and noted.

CARRIED 9/0

15.3 INCLUSIVE PROGRESS PRIDE FLAG MAINTENANCE COST UPDATE**RESOLUTION ORD012/25**

Moved: Councillor Rebecca Want de Rowe

Seconded: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

THAT the report entitled Inclusive Progress Pride Flag Maintenance Cost Update be received and noted.

CARRIED 9/0

15.4 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - NOVEMBER 2024**RESOLUTION ORD013/25**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Councillor Morgan Rickard

THAT the report entitled Monthly Financial Report – November 2024 be received and noted.

CARRIED 9/0

15.5 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - DECEMBER 2024**RESOLUTION ORD014/25**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Councillor Morgan Rickard

THAT the report entitled Monthly Financial Report – December 2024 be received and noted.

CARRIED 9/0

15.6 ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) STEERING COMMITTEE OPEN MEETING MINUTES**RESOLUTION ORD015/25**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

THAT the report entitled Advisory Committees and Information Communication Technology (ICT) Steering Committee Open Meeting Minutes be received and noted.

CARRIED 9/0

16 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

17 REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

RESOLUTION ORD016/25

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

THAT the following Reports of Representatives be received and noted.

17.1

The Lord Mayor, Kon Vatskalis attended the Australia Day Citizenship and Flag Raising ceremony, and Citizen of the Year Awards presentation, at Doubletree Hilton on Sunday, 26 January 2025.

The Lord Mayor, Kon Vatskalis, made special mention of the award winners. The Citizen of the Year award went to Donna Rousham for work in inclusive swimming. The Young Citizen of the Year was presented to Peter Susanto for academic accomplishments and ongoing contributions to the Darwin community. The Community Activity of the Year award was given to the Darwin Lions Beer Can Regatta.

The Lord Mayor, Kon Vatskalis, also extended appreciation to all involved in organising and executing the event.

CARRIED 9/0

18 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

18.1 BUNDILLA BEACH LAUNCH EVENT

RESOLUTION ORD017/25

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Question

Councillor Ed Smelt requested confirmation on whether an event launch has been planned for the stage one completion of the Bundilla Beach Masterplan.

Response

The Lord Mayor, Kon Vatskalis advised an event launch date has not yet been determined due to a delay in completing stage one works and expressed interest in organising a launch event once works are completed.

CARRIED 9/0

18.2 SNAP SEND SOLVE NOTIFICATIONS**RESOLUTION ORD018/25**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Question

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris inquired whether City of Darwin has encountered any technical issues or received user complaints during the recent transition from See Click Fix to Snap Send Solve app.

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris also inquired whether officers might consider developing user guides for the Snap Send Solve to upload onto the website.

Response

The General Manager Innovation, Alice Percy confirmed that there have been no issues with the app since the transition, also noting a rise in user activity with a report to Council within the next six month, outlining the above statistics.

Furthermore, the General Manager Innovation, Alice Percy took the question on notice regarding development user guides.

CARRIED 9/0

18.3 LYONS COMMUNITY CENTRE**RESOLUTION ORD019/25**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Question

Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris requested an update on the new tenants for the Lyons Community Centre, particularly inquiring if officers have received any feedback from the tenant on how things are progressing.

Response

The General Manager Innovation, Alice Percy responded and advised that officers are still awaiting a response from the tenant, and will follow up this week for an update.

CARRIED 9/0

18.4 CASUARINA AQUATIC AND LEISURE CENTRE EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**RESOLUTION ORD020/25**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Question

Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris requested an update on the recent Expression of Interest (EOI) for the Casuarina Aquatic and Leisure Centre cafe space.

Response

The General Manager Innovation, Alice Percy advised that no EOI's were received in the last round. City of Darwin will now engage a commercial real estate agent to explore alternate options, with further correspondence to be provided to Elected Members.

CARRIED 9/0

18.5 CASUARINA AQUATIC AND LEISURE CENTRE FOOD STALL**RESOLUTION ORD021/25**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Question

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris inquired about the possibility of setting up a temporary food stall outside of Casuarina Aquatic and Leisure Centre to serve coffee and food until a lease is secured.

Response

The General Manager Innovation, Alice Percy took the question on notice.

CARRIED 9/0

18.6 SNAP SEND SOLVE RESOLVING REQUESTS**RESOLUTION ORD022/25**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Question

Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris inquired on what is the timeframe for a request submitted through Snap Send Solve to be actioned, and if the information can be clearly communicated to users.

Response

The General Manager Innovation, Alice Percy advised City of Darwin is collecting data through Snap Send Solve to explore various options for resolving requests. The goal is to integrate Snap Send Solve with the new Customer Relationship Management system, currently expected to be rolled out towards the end of 2025, to efficiently close out requests.

CARRIED 9/0**18.7 PEEL STREET PARKING****RESOLUTION ORD023/25**

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Question

Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston enquired into why five 15-minute parking bays on Peel Street were closed off.

Response

The General Manager Innovation, Alice Percy took the question on notice.

CARRIED 9/0**19 GENERAL BUSINESS****19.1 WAGAMAN OVAL LIGHTING****RESOLUTION ORD024/25**

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris updated Elected Members on correspondence from Mr. Clive Fowler, Vice-President of AFL Masters Northern Territory, requesting Councillor Sylvia Klonaris and Councillor Kim Farrar to advocate for the installation of lights at Wagaman Oval. AFL Masters NT plans to begin training at Wagaman Oval for the 2025 AFL Masters National Carnival, to be held in Darwin in September.

CARRIED 9/0

20 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 25 February 2025, at 5:30pm (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Council Chambers Darrandirra, Level 1, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

21 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT pursuant to Section 99 (2) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and Regulation 8 of the Local Government Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential Items of the Agenda.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019*:

28.1 Appointment of Chair Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(iv) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

28.2 Appointment of Chair Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(iv) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

28.3 Works In-kind Request

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(i) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

28.4 Disposal of Surplus Property

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(i) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

28.5 2025/2026 Budget Development

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(iv) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

28.6 Review of Confidential Decisions – Ordinary Council Meetings and Council Committee Meetings

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(i), 51(c)(ii) and 51(c)(iii) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the maintenance or administration of the law and information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff.

29.1 Corporate Services Quarterly Report | October to December 2024

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(a) and 51(c)(iv) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual and information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of

the council or some other person.

29.2 Information on Legal Matter

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(i), 51(c)(iv) and 51(d) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person and information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

29.3 Advisory Committees and Information Communication Technology (ICT) Steering Committee Confidential Meeting Minutes

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(i) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

29.4 Update on Code of Conduct Matters

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(f) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with subject to subregulation 51(2) – information in relation to a complaint of a contravention of the code of conduct.

30.1 Incoming Correspondence - Department of Logistics and Infrastructure - State Square and Civic Park Consolidation

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(iv) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

22 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON

RESOLUTION ORD025/25

Moved: Councillor Ed Smelt

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

THAT the open section of the meeting be adjourned at 6:14 pm.

CARRIED 9/0

THAT the open section of the meeting be resumed at 8:04 pm.

THAT the chair declared the meeting closed at 8:04 pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 25 February 2025.

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CHAIR