

**CITY OF DARWIN**

MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE TWENTY-SECOND COUNCIL HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY CHAN AVENUE ON TUESDAY, 14 AUGUST 2018 COMMENCING AT 5.31PM.

PRESENT: The Right Worshipful, Lord Mayor, K Vatskalis, (Chair); Member A J Arthur; Member J Bouhoris; Member S Cullen; Member J A Glover; Member G J Haslett; Member R M Knox; Member G Lambrinidis; Member S J Niblock; Member M Palmer; Member P Pangquee; Member R Want de Rowe; Member E L Young.

OFFICERS: Chief Executive Officer, Mr S Waters; Acting Chief Operating Officer, Mr A Roach; Acting General Manager City Performance, Ms M Reiter; Acting General Manager City Operations, Mr N Kleine; Acting General Manager City Life, Mr M Grassmayr; Communications and Public Relations Officer, Ms P Hopson; Committee Administrator, Mrs P Hart.

MEDIA: NT News, Mr Will Zwar; Channel 9, Ms Melissa Mackay.

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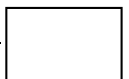
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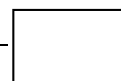
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**1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

**2. THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**3. MEETING DECLARED OPEN**

The Chair declared the meeting open at 5.31 pm.

**4. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Common No. 2695036

**4.1 Apologies**

Nil

**4.2 Leave of Absence Granted**

Nil

**4.3 Leave of Absence Requested**

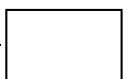
(Bouhoris/Haslett)

- A. THAT a Leave of Absence be granted for Member R M Knox for the period 30 August to 5 September 2018.
- B. THAT the Leave for Absence previously granted for Member M Palmer for the period 15 to 31 August 2018 be retracted.
- C. THAT a Leave of Absence be granted for Member M Palmer for the period 1 to 13 September 2018.

DECISION NO.22\1018

(14/08/18)

Carried



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**5. ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE**  
Common No. 2221428

**5.1 Electronic Meeting Attendance Granted**

Nil

**5.2 Electronic Meeting Attendance Requested**

(Glover/Palmer)

THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 61 (4) of the Local Government Act and Decision No. 21\0009 – 15/04/12, the following members request Electronic Meeting Attendance:

- A. Member G Lambrinidis to attend all Council and Committee Meetings for the period of 23 August to 2 October 2018.
- B. Member R M Knox to attend all Council and Committee Meetings for the period of 30 August to 5 September 2018.

DECISION NO.22\1019 (14/08/18) Carried

**6. DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF**  
Common No. 2752228

**6.1 Declaration of Interest by Members**

Nil

**6.2 Declaration of Interest by Staff**

Nil

**7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING/S**  
Common No. 1955119

**7.1 Confirmation of the Previous Ordinary Council Meeting**

(Young/Lord Mayor)

THAT the tabled minutes of the previous Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 31 July 2018, be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

DECISION NO.22\1020 (14/08/18) Carried



**7.2 Confirmation of the Previous Confidential Ordinary Council Meeting**

*With the consent of the Council, the Decisions arising from this item were moved from the Confidential Section into the Open Section of the Minutes.*

(Knox/Pangquee)

- A. THAT the tabled minutes of the previous Confidential Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 31 July 2018 be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.
- B. THAT this decision be moved into Open.

DECISION NO.22\1039

(14/08/18)

Carried

**7.3 Business Arising**

Nil

**8. MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE**

Nil

**9. DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS**

Nil

**10. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Nil



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ORD08/7

**11. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**  
Common No. 1944604

**11.1 Closure to the Public for Confidential Items**

(Pangquee/Bouhoris)

THAT pursuant to Section 65 (2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the following Confidential Items:-

<u>Item</u>	<u>Regulation</u>	<u>Reason</u>
C24.1	8(c)(iv)	information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person
C27.1.1	8(c)(iv)	information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person

DECISION NO.22\1021 (14/08/18) Carried

**11.2 Moving Open Items Into Confidential**

Nil

**11.3 Moving Confidential Items Into Open**

Nil

**12. PETITIONS**

Nil

*Member R Want de Rowe joined the meeting at 5.37pm.*



**13. NOTICE(S) OF MOTION**

**13.1 Options for the diversion from land fill of organic waste generated by markets**  
Common No. 3870511

(Knox/Glover)

- A. That Council, after consultation with market managers and other interested parties, prepare a report considering options for the diversion from landfill of organic waste generated by markets
- B. That the report be brought back to Council by October 2018.

DECISION NO.22\1022 (14/08/18) Carried unanimously

ACTION: ACTING GENERAL MANAGER CITY FUTURES

**14.1 OFFICERS REPORTS (ACTION REQUIRED)**

**14.1.1 Review of Committee Structure**  
Report No. 18CE0030 MR:ph (14/08/18) Common No. 2221528

(Palmer/Lord Mayor)

- A. THAT Report Number 18CE0030 MR:ph entitled Review of Committee Structure, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the Executive Committees be suspended from August 2018 to enable Council to trial a briefing session model to manage Council business.

DECISION NO.22\1023 (14/08/18) Carried unanimously

ACTION: COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATOR  
NOTE: EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP TEAM  
NOTE: SENIOR MANAGERS GROUP





**14.1.2 Review of Policy 025 - Community Engagement**

Report No. 18CL0078 SJ:kl (14/08/18) Common No. 1612461

(Want de Rowe/Bouhoris)

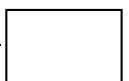
- A. THAT Report Number 18CL0078 SJ:kl entitled Review of Policy 025 - Community Engagement, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council rescind the current City of Darwin Policy No. 025 - Community Engagement at **Attachment A** to Report Number 18CL0078 SJ:am entitled Review of Policy 025 – Community Engagement.
- C. THAT Council adopt the new City of Darwin Policy No. 025 – Community Engagement at **Attachment B**, as amended
- in the principle to include: Acknowledgement of Cultural Diversity: The cultural diversity of the community is recognised and taken into consideration in community engagement.
  - ‘Appropriately skilled people’ to replace ‘trained people’ in the Professional and Reputable principle.
- to Report Number 18CL0078 SJ:am entitled Review of Policy 025 – Community Engagement.

DECISION NO.22\1024

(14/08/18)

Carried unanimously

ACTION: MANAGER ENGAGEMENT AND PARTICIPATION  
NOTE: EXECUTIVE MANAGER



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**14.1.3 Tree Re-establishment Committee Membership Endorsement**

Report No. 18CO0042 CB:jw (14/08/18) Common No. 3777063

*With the consent of the Council, the Decisions arising from this item were moved from the Confidential Section into the Open Section of the Minutes.*

(Want de Rowe/Bouhoris)

- A. THAT Report Number 18CO0042 CB:jw entitled Tree Re-establishment Committee Membership Endorsement, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council appoint Dr Greg Leach Chairperson of the Tree Re-establishment Advisory Committee (TRAC) in accordance with the Local Government Act, for a period commencing 16 August 2018 to 8 November 2018.
- C. That Council appoint Tony Cox and Adam Granger as the community representatives of the Tree Re-establishment Advisory Committee (TRAC) in accordance with the Local Government Act, for a period commencing 16 August 2018 to 8 November 2018.
- D. THAT Council appoint Alderman P Pangquee to the Tree Re-establishment Advisory Committee.
- E. THAT Council remunerate the Committee Chairperson in accordance with the Local Government Act and as outlined within Report Number 18CO00412 CB:jw entitled Tree Re-establishment Committee Membership Endorsement.
- F. THAT this Decision be moved into Open.

DECISION NO.22\1040

(14/08/18)

Carried unanimously

ACTION: MANAGER INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE  
ACTION PART D: COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATOR  
NOTE: ACTING GENERAL MANAGER CITY OPERATIONS

**14.2 OFFICERS REPORTS (RECEIVE & NOTE)**

**14.2.1 Rates Concessions Overview**

Report No. 18CP0103 IF:ks (14/08/18) Common No. 3864521

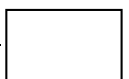
(Want de Rowe/Cullen)

THAT Report Number 18CP0103 IF:ks entitled Rates Concessions Overview, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.22\1025

(14/08/18)

Carried unanimously



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ORD08/11

**14.2.2 Audio Visual in Council Chambers**

Report No. 18CE0028 MR:ph (14/08/18) Common No. 2221528

(Cullen/Young)

THAT Report Number 18CE0028 MR:ph entitled Audio Visual in Council Chambers, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.22\1026

(14/08/18)

Carried unanimously

**15. TOWN PLANNING REPORT/LETTER**

**15.1 Council Responses to Planning Applications - August 2018**

Report No. 18CF0071 BS:hd (14/08/18) Common No. 2547669

(Haslett/Want de Rowe)

- A. THAT Report Number 18CF0071 BS:hd entitled Council Responses to Planning Applications - August 2018, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the responses to the Development Consent Authority within **Attachment A** to Report Number 18CF0071 BS:hd entitled Council Responses to Planning Applications - August 2018
- C. THAT the response for the Planning-related Application at **Attachment B** to Report Number 18CF0071 BS:hd entitled Council Responses to Planning Applications - August 2018, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.22\1027

(14/08/18)

Carried unanimously

ACTION: ACTING MANAGER CITY PLANNING  
NOTE: ACTING GENERAL MANAGER CITY FUTURES

**16. INFORMATION ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

**16.1 Draft Meeting Notes Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee 25 July 2018**

Document No. 3855071 (14/08/18)

(Young/Arthur)

THAT the Meeting Notes of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee meeting held on the 25 July 2018, **Attachment A**, Document Number 3855071, be received and noted..

DECISION NO.22\1028

(14/08/18)

Carried unanimously



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**16.2 Draft Meeting Notes Youth Advisory Committee 2 August 2018**

Document No. 3863332 (14/08/18)

(Lambrinidis/Knox)

THAT the Meeting Notes of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee meeting held on the 2 August 2018, **Attachment B**, Document Number 3863332, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.22\1029

(14/08/18)

Carried unanimously

**17. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Nil

**18. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS**

(Want de Rowe/Lambrinidis)

THAT the following Questions by Members be received and noted.

DECISION NO.22\1030

(14/08/18)

Carried

**18.1 Beautification Plans for Wagaman Shops**

Member R Want de Rowe asked for an update on beautification plans for Wagaman Shops, noting that there is a lot of rubbish, trees have been removed and the gardens beds are unkempt.

Member G Lambrinidis noted that discussions had previously taken place with City Operations regarding upgrades; basic improvements are needed to prevent antisocial behaviour.

*The Acting General Manager City Operations responded and took the question on notice.*

ACTION: ACTING GENERAL MANAGER CITY OPERATIONS

**18.2 Dwyer Park Update**

Common No. 3536703

Member J A Glover asked for an update on Dwyer Park. When can Council expect a report, including plans for its future?

*The Acting General Manager City Operations responded and advised that Council are working with the Northern Territory Government and are waiting on further information.*



### **18.3 Tactile Paving in The Mall**

Member G J Haslett queried whether the tactile paving in The Mall, in place to provide guidance for the vision-impaired, should be yellow in colour?

*The Acting General Manager City Operations responded and advised that an assessment would need to be undertaken to ensure that it meets the accessible guidelines.*

ACTION: ACTING GENERAL MANAGER CITY OPERATIONS

### **18.4 Vegetation Reinstatement around Footpath Works**

Member R M Knox asked about processes around realigning footpath crossings, particularly whether vegetation should be reinstated by contractors following works?

*The Acting General Manager City Operations responded and advised that contractors are generally required to reinstate areas around works, but that the timeline for restoration is assessed on a case by case basis dependent on the type of cover required in the area.*

ACTION: ACTING GENERAL MANAGER CITY OPERATIONS

### **18.5 Trees on Dickward Drive**

Member P Pangquee noted that trees along Dickward Drive between the bus stop opposite Minmarama and Nadpur Street are looking brown and unwell following a recent fire. Can their health please be assessed?

*The Acting General Manager City Operations responded and took the question on notice.*

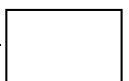
ACTION: ACTING GENERAL MANAGER CITY OPERATIONS

### **18.6 Traffic Issues on Rocklands Drive, Tiwi Common No. 2794569**

Member G Lambrinidis noted safety and traffic congestion issues around the entrance/exit to the hospital on Rocklands Drive, Tiwi. Can Council undertake a traffic study here, if there has not already been one already?

*The Acting General Manager City Operations responded and advised this intersections is managed by the Northern Territory Government: whilst it interfaces with the Council road network it is not part of it. Studies have previously been undertaken around parking congestion in the area, but this can be raised with the Northern Territory Government again.*

ACTION: ACTING GENERAL MANAGER CITY OPERATIONS



**18.7 Policy on Firebreaks and Protection of Assets**

Member A Arthur raised the issue of the recent fire at the Shoal Bay Waste Management Facility. Is there a policy in place regarding firebreaks and protection of assets?

*The Acting General Manager City Operations responded and advised that the fire was at the Old Leanyer Dump site, which was being used for temporary green waste storage following Tropical Cyclone Marcus. There are fire breaks in place around both this site and the Shoal Bay Waste Management Facility; but there were extreme wind conditions on this day that exacerbated the issue.*

**19. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**19.1 Intersection of Lee Point Road and Wagaman Terrace**  
**Common No.**

(Want de Rowe/Lambrinidis)

THAT a report be brought to Council regarding the intersection of Lee Point Road and Wagaman Terrace, regarding safety and traffic issues.

DECISION NO.22\1031 (14/08/18) Carried unanimously

ACTION: ACTING GENERAL MANAGER CITY OPERATIONS

**19.2 Rainbow Garden**  
**Common No. 3868210**

(Lord Mayor/Bouhori)

A. THAT Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to undertake a review and provide a report to Council the cost of establishing and maintaining the Daly Street/Smith Street roundabout in a rainbow garden theme.

B. THAT any proposals from the community to contribute to the cost of establishing a rainbow garden at the Daly Street/Smith Street roundabout be considered under Council's unsolicited proposals policy.

DECISION NO.22\1032 (14/08/18) Carried unanimously

ACTION: ACTING GENERAL MANAGER CITY OPERATIONS



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**19.3 Security Arrangements for Council Meetings**  
**Common No.**

(Lord Mayor/Pangquee)

THAT a report be provided to Council on a review of security arrangements for Council Meetings.

DECISION NO.22\1033 (14/08/18) Carried unanimously

ACTION: EXECUTIVE MANAGER

**19.4 Deputy Lord Mayor – 15 September 2018 to 15 January 2019**  
**Common No. 375173**

(Lord Mayor/Bouhoris)

THAT in accordance with Part 4.3 of the Local Government Act, Alderman A Arthur be appointed as Deputy Lord Mayor for the period 15 September 2018 to 15 January 2019.

DECISION NO.22\1034 (14/08/18) Carried unanimously

ACTION: COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATOR

**20. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Common No. 2695130**

(Bouhoris/Want de Rowe)

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 28 August 2018, at 5:30pm (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Council Chambers, 1st Floor, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

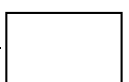
DECISION NO.22\1035 (14/08/18) Carried

**21. CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**  
**Common No. 2695131**

(Glover/Bouhoris)

THAT pursuant to Section 65 (2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential Items of the Agenda.

DECISION NO.22\1036 (14/08/18) Carried



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**22. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON**  
Common No. 2695132

(Glover/Bouhoris)

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 6.30pm for 15 minutes to enable the Media to liaise with the Lord Mayor.

DECISION NO.22\1037

(14/08/18)

Carried

*The meeting moved to the Confidential Section at 6.40pm.*

**THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL, LORD  
MAYOR, K VATSKALIS (CHAIR) –  
1ST ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
– TUESDAY, 14 AUGUST 2018**

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**Confirmed On: Tuesday, 28 August 2018**

**Chair:** \_\_\_\_\_

