



Business Papers

1st Ordinary Council Meeting

**Tuesday, 11 July 2017
5.00pm**



Notice of Meeting

To the Lord Mayor and Aldermen

You are invited to attend a 1st Ordinary Council Meeting to be held in the Council Chambers, Level 1, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin, on Tuesday, 11 July 2017, commencing at 5.00pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B P Dowd', is positioned above the printed name.

B P DOWD
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

CITY OF DARWIN

**ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING
OF THE TWENTY-FIRST COUNCIL**

TUESDAY, 11 JULY 2017

MEMBERS: The Right Worshipful, Lord Mayor, Ms K M Fong Lim, (Chair); Member R K Elix; Member J A Glover; Member G J Haslett; Member R M Knox; Member G A Lambert; Member G Lambrinidis; Member S J Niblock; Member M Palmer; Member R Want de Rowe; Member E L Young.

OFFICERS: Chief Executive Officer, Mr B P Dowd; General Manager City Futures, Mr G Rosse; General Manager City Life, Ms A Malgorzewicz; General Manager City Operations, Mr L Cercarelli; General Manager City Performance, Dr D Leeder; Committee Administrator, Mrs P Hart.

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1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

2. THE LORD’S PRAYER

3. MEETING DECLARED OPEN

4. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Common No. 2695036

4.1 Apologies

4.2 Leave of Absence Granted

A. THAT it be noted Member R K Elix is an apology due to a Leave of Absence previously granted on 27 June 2017 for the period 8 to 11 July 2017.

B. THAT it be noted Member S J Niblock is an apology due to a Leave of Absence previously granted on 27 June 2017 for the period 10 to 21 July 2017.

C. THAT it be noted Member E L Young is an apology due to a Leave of Absence previously granted on 13 June 2017 for the period 10 to 14 July 2017.

4.3 Leave of Absence Requested

5. ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

Common No. 2221528

5.1 Electronic Meeting Attendance Granted

5.2 Electronic Meeting Attendance Requested



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

6.1 Declaration of Interest by Members

6.2 Declaration of Interest by Staff

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

7.1 Confirmation of the Previous Ordinary Council Meeting

THAT the tabled minutes of the previous Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 27 June 2017, be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING/S

8.1 Business Arising

9. MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

10. DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS

Nil

11. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME



12. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Common No. 1944604

12.1 Closure to the Public for Confidential Items

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>
C25.1	8(c)(iv)	information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person
C29.1.1	8(c)(iv)	information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person
C29.1.2	8(c)(iv)	information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person
C29.2.1	8(d)	information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity

12.2 Moving Open Items Into Confidential

12.3 Moving Confidential Items Into Open

13. PETITIONS



14. NOTICE(S) OF MOTION

14.1 Public Consultation for Future Planning for East Point Reserve

*The Notice of Motion raised by Member R M Knox is **Attachment A**.*

- A. THAT a report be prepared for Council outlining the matters that would need to be taken into consideration for the development of a Masterplan for East Point Reserve.
- B. THAT Council conduct comprehensive public consultation (Level Involve) to inform the development of a Masterplan for East Point Reserve.



5 July 2017

NOTICE OF MOTION

SUBJECT: Public consultation on future planning for East Point Reserve

I give notice that at the First Ordinary Council Meeting on 11 July 2017, I will be moving the following motion:-

- A. THAT a report be prepared for Council outlining the matters that would need to be taken into consideration for the development of a Masterplan for East Point Reserve.
- B. THAT Council conduct comprehensive public consultation (Level Involve) to inform the development of a Masterplan for East Point Reserve.

REASON:

It is important to hear the wishes of the people of Darwin as to how they would like Council to manage East Point Reserve into the future.

Signed by me at Darwin this Sunday, 5 July 2017



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ALDERMAN ROBIN KNOX

14. NOTICE(S) OF MOTION

14.2 Street Sports in Mitchell Street

*The Notice of Motion raised by Member M Palmer is **Attachment B**.*

THAT a report be prepared outlining the issues that would need to be considered to enable ongoing closure of Mitchell Street on Friday nights for the purpose of hosting street sports. Issues to be considered include but are not limited to: the logistics of closure, funding of the street sports equipment, administrative support for street sports, consultation and budget requirements.



6 July 2017

NOTICE OF MOTION

SUBJECT: Street Sports in Mitchell Street

I give notice that at the 1st Ordinary Council Meeting on 11 July 2017 I will move the following motion:-

THAT a report be prepared outlining the issues that would need to be considered to enable ongoing closure of Mitchell Street on Friday nights for the purpose of hosting street sports. Issues to be considered include but are not limited to: the logistics of closure, funding of the street sports equipment, administrative support for street sports, consultation and budget requirements.

REASON:

This activity will support and enhance CBD activation and provide health and wellbeing outcomes for participants.

Signed by me at Darwin this Thursday, 6 July 2017


ALDERMAN M PALMER

15.1 OFFICERS REPORTS (ACTION REQUIRED)

ENCL: 1ST ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING/OPEN AGENDA ITEM: 15.1.1
 YES

COUNCIL RESPONSES TO LIQUOR LICENCE APPLICATIONS - JULY 2017

REPORT No.: 17CL0003 MG:kl COMMON No.: 3554997 DATE: 11/07/2017

Presenter: Manager Leisure & Customer Experience, Matt Grassmayr

Approved: General Manager City Life, Anna Malgorzewicz

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present to Council for consideration, responses to Liquor Licence Applications.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Towards 2020 Strategic Plan':-

Goal

1. Collaborative, Inclusive and Connected Community

Outcome

1.4 Improved relations with all levels of government and significant stakeholders

Key Strategies

1.4.2 Play an active role in strategic and statutory planning processes

KEY ISSUES

- Council has been advised of 5 liquor licence applications for comment.
- This report details City of Darwin Officers' recommended responses to the Northern Territory Government for the licence applications.
- Council has endorsed its *Safer Vibrant Darwin Plan 2016-2019*, which outlines strategic directions and actions that contribute to a safer, more vibrant community. Recommendations within this report align with the framework.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- A. THAT Report Number 17CL0003 MG:kl entitled Council Responses to Liquor Licence Applications - July 2017, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the letter to the Director-General of Licensing at **Attachment A** to Report Number 17CL0003 MG:kl entitled Council Responses To Liquor Licence Applications - July 2017, noting Council has not identified any reason that would be grounds for objection under Section 47F(2) of the Liquor Act to the application from Bar3/Sinsations.

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- C. THAT Council endorse the letter to the Director-General of Licensing at **Attachment B** to Report Number 17CL0003 MG:kl entitled Council Responses To Liquor Licence Applications - July 2017, noting Council has not identified any reason that would be grounds for objection under Section 47F(2) of the Liquor Act to the application from Delaware North Retail Services Pty Ltd.
- D. THAT Council endorse the letter to the Director-General of Licensing at **Attachment C** to Report Number 17CL0003 MG:kl entitled Council Responses To Liquor Licence Applications - July 2017, noting Council has not identified any reason that would be grounds for objection under Section 47F(2) of the Liquor Act to the application from Matthews Group Pty Ltd.
- E. THAT Council endorse the letter to the Director-General of Licensing at **Attachment D** to Report Number 17CL0003 MG:kl entitled Council Responses To Liquor Licence Applications - July 2017, noting Council objects under Section 47F(2) of the Liquor Act to the application from Marlin Darwin Pty Ltd.
- F. THAT Council endorse the letter to the Director-General of Licensing at **Attachment E** to Report Number 17CL0003 MG:kl entitled Council Responses To Liquor Licence Applications - July 2017, noting Council objects under Section 47F(2) of the Liquor Act to the application from The Chipppo Pty Ltd.

BACKGROUND

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

DECISION NO.21\5529 (27/06/17)

NT Alcohol Policies and Legislation Review

Report No. 17C0045 KH:es (27/06/17) Common No. 3562620

- B. *THAT Council endorse the City of Darwin response submission to the Northern Territory (NT) Government Review of Alcohol Policies and Legislation at **Attachment A** as amended to suggest some stronger responses to licensing, takeaway licenses, closing hours, provision of support facilities, review of dry area legislation enforcement, impact on residents and other administrative matters to report Number 17C0045 KH:es entitled NT Alcohol Policies and Legislation Review.*

DECISION NO. 20\2776 (11/05/10)

Status of Council's Objection to an Application for a Variation of the Liquor Licence Conditions for Hot Rock Restaurant and Bar

Report No. 10C0065 AF:kl (05/05/09) Common No. 1723985

- B. *THAT Council proceeds to object to all new applications in the municipality for extensions of late night trading hours after 2.00am*

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City of Darwin received 5 liquor licence applications for comment.

Considerations under the Liquor Act

Licensing NT has advised City of Darwin that the following sections of the Liquor Act are relevant to these applications:

Under section 32A(5) of the Liquor Act, “If the application relates to premises within the area of a shire council or a regional council, the Director-General must, as soon as reasonably practicable, inform the CEO of the council that the application has been made.”

Grounds For Objection Under Section 47F(2) Of The Liquor Act

Pursuant to Section 47F(2) of the Liquor Act, an objection may only be made on the grounds that the grant of the licence may or will adversely affect:

- (a) The amenity of the neighbourhood where the premises the subject of the application are or will be located; or
- (b) Health, education, public safety or social conditions in the community.

Under Section 32A(2) of the Liquor Act, where the Director-General deems that the notice of publication is not required Section 47F does not apply. The Director-General may seek advice from stakeholders, but an objection under Section 47F(2) is not available as the application is not required to be published.

DISCUSSION

Liquor Licence Applications that City of Darwin Officers cannot identify any reason that would be grounds for objection under Section 47F(2) of the Liquor Act.

City of Darwin received three liquor licence applications that Council Officers cannot identify any reason that would be grounds for objection. Responses to these applications are provided in **Attachments A, B and C** to this report.

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Applicant	Description of Application
<p>Bar3 / Sinsations 3 Edmunds Street Darwin</p>	<p>Application for a Permanent Variation to Liquor Licence.</p> <p>Bar3 / Sinsations Darwin has applied for a Permanent Variation to Liquor Licence.</p> <p>The proposed variation is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To add a Pop-up bar to their existing licensed premises. <p>There is no requirement for advertising with this application as Licensing NT has determined that as Bar3 / Sinsations is not asking for any extra hours or extension of their licensed area, the variation is deemed not to be in the public interest. Therefore, while stakeholders may make comment, an objection under Section 47F(2) is not available.</p> <p>No Council owned or controlled land is affected by the proposal.</p> <p>Council Officers recommend that Council support this variation.</p>
<p>Delaware North Retail Services Pty Ltd Darwin Airport Terminal Henry Wrigley Dr Marrara</p>	<p>Application for a Permanent Variation to Liquor Licence.</p> <p>Delaware North Retail Services Pty Ltd has applied for a Permanent Variation to Liquor Licence.</p> <p>The proposed variation is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To include the new Business Centre as part of their existing liquor license. <p>Delaware North Retail Services Pty Ltd, the existing catering partner at Darwin International Airport, is not requesting any changes to licence conditions. The application will allow liquor service to an area of the terminal building designated as the Wirraway Business Centre.</p> <p>Licensing NT conducted an assessment and determined there is no requirement for advertising with this application. As such, the variation is deemed not to be in the public interest and therefore, while stakeholders may make comment, an objection under Section 47F(2) is not available.</p>

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Applicant	Description of Application
	<p>No Council owned or controlled land is affected by the proposal.</p> <p>Council Officers recommend that Council support this variation.</p>
<p>Matthews Group Pty Ltd</p> <p>PM Eat & Drink, T1, 56 Smith Street, Darwin</p>	<p>Application for Material Alterations and Permanent Variation to the Liquor Licence.</p> <p>Matthews Group Pty Ltd, trading as PM Eat & Drink has applied for a Material Alteration and Permanent Variation to their Liquor Licence.</p> <p>Proposed Material Alteration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Material Alterations to their licensed premises to include the adjoining shop, T2. To facilitate this material alteration, the premises needs to remove a wall separating T1 and T2. By removing this wall, the licensed premises will extend its current licensed area to include T2, 56 Smith Street, Darwin, NT 0800 <p>Proposed Variation to Liquor Licence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove the current liquor trading days and times of Tuesday to Saturday – 11:30 hours to 23:59hours • Replace liquor trading days and hours with Monday to Sunday, from 11:30 hours to 23:59 hours, <p>All other conditions of the liquor licence remain unchanged.</p> <p>At the 1st Ordinary Council meeting in February 2017, Council considered a Permanent Variation to Liquor Licence Application from Matthews Group Pty Ltd for PM Eat & Drink to vary licence conditions to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • extending the current trading hours to 2.00am to 7 days per week and remove the condition of serving liquor ancillary to a meal. <p>Council objected to this application, Licensing NT has advised that Matthews Group Pty Ltd for PM Eat & Drink have withdrawn that application and replaced it with this current one.</p> <p>In the current application the existing licence condition that alcohol is served ancillary to a meal remains. The applicant is requesting that the business may increase trading to operate license for 7 days a week, with the same daily licence hours that currently exist: 11:30 hours to 23:59hours.</p>

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Applicant	Description of Application
	<p>The applicant has taken lease of an adjoining premise and is proposing to extend the licenced area to operate the business from the combined floorplan.</p> <p>No Council owned or controlled land is affected by the proposal</p> <p>In reviewing this application, Council Officers did not identify any grounds for objection under section 47F(2) of the Liquor Act.</p>

Liquor Licence Applications that City of Darwin Officers recommend Council object to.

Council has received two applications that Council Officers recommend Council object to. Responses to these applications are provided in **Attachments D and E** to this report.

Applicant	Description of Application
<p>Marlin Darwin Pty Ltd</p> <p>Hotel Darwin</p> <p>39 Mitchell Street Darwin</p>	<p>Application for a Permanent Variation to Liquor Licence.</p> <p>Marlin Darwin Pty Ltd, "Hotel Darwin" has applied for a Permanent Variation to Liquor Licence.</p> <p>The proposed variation is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To enable regular Friday trade on the day of Good Friday each year, presently prohibited. <p>No Council owned or controlled land is affected by the proposal.</p> <p>Licensing NT has advised that Hotel Darwin is requesting the variation to align with ten other businesses already in the CBD who are permitted to trade on Good Friday.</p> <p>Council advocates for supply reduction, demand reduction and harm minimisation to meet the objectives of the <i>Safer Vibrant Darwin Plan</i>. In addition, Council made a submission to the NT Alcohol Policies and Legislation Review:</p> <p><i>Over the past 2 years Council has seen an increase in applications to extend trade to include Christmas Day and Good Friday. Both days have limited or no access to public</i></p>

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	<p><i>support services recognised as important health and wellbeing counter measures. Council is concerned by the lack of empirical data to inform licensing decisions and in the ongoing absence of services such as Sobering Up Shelters that at minimum, mirror the operating hours of Darwin's alcohol supply.</i></p> <p>Given that Council has committed significant resources to address the adverse impacts of alcohol, and that there are limited or no support services on Good Friday, Council should object to this application.</p> <p>Trading on Good Friday may adversely affect the amenity of the neighbourhood where the premises the subject of the application are or will be located; or the health, education, public safety or social conditions in the community, which is grounds for objection pursuant to Section 47F (2) of the Liquor Act.</p>
<p>The Chipppo Pty Ltd 31 Bishop Street, Woolner</p>	<p>Application for a New Liquor Licence.</p> <p>The Chipppo Pty Ltd has applied for an "On Premises Liquor Licence" for the premises to be known as The Chipppo Live, located at 31 Bishop Street, Woolner, NT 0820.</p> <p>Proposed Business Trading Details:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The primary business to be conducted on the premises is that of a live music and stand-up comedy club. <p>Proposed Liquor Trading Hours:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday to Thursday between 17:00 hours and 23:00 hours, • Friday between 16:00 hours and 03:00 hours the next day, • Saturday between 14:00 hours and 03:00 hours the next day, • Sunday between 14:00 hours and 20:00 hours, and • Sale and consumption of liquor On Premises only. <p>No Council owned or controlled land is affected by the proposal.</p>

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Applicant	Description of Application
	<p>At the 1st Ordinary Council meeting in May 2010, Council determined that it would object to all new applications of late night trading hours after 2.00am (Decision No. 20\2776, 11/05/10).</p> <p>Council's position against late night trading hours after 02:00am is clear and the basis for this determination was contained in Council's 2009 submission to the Northern Territory Licensing Commission's "Review of Cheap and Problem Products in Darwin, Palmerston and Rural Areas". To minimise the negative impact of alcohol on the public health, safety and amenity, best practice avoids increasing overall availability (<i>National Drug Research Institute, Curtin University of Technology Perth, WA 2007</i>).</p> <p>Late night trading may adversely affect the amenity of the neighbourhood where the premises the subject of the application are or will be located; or the health, education, public safety or social conditions in the community, which is grounds for objection pursuant to Section 47F (2) of the Liquor Act.</p> <p>Therefore, Council does not support establishing licence hours beyond 2.00am as late night trading and objects to this application.</p>

CONSULTATION PROCESS

In preparing this report, the following City of Darwin Officers were consulted:

- Manager Community Development

In preparing this report, the following External Parties were consulted:

- Principal Liquor, Gaming & Racing Licensing Officer, Licensing NT

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council has endorsed the 'Safer Vibrant Darwin Plan 2016-2019'. This Plan provides Council a framework to work towards a safer, healthier and more inclusive community. Underpinning the Plan is a focus on reducing the harms associated with excessive alcohol consumption and abuse. Council advocates for supply reduction, demand reduction and harm minimisation to meet the objectives of the Safer Vibrant Darwin Plan.

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BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Risk, legal and legislative implications, if applicable, are noted in individual letter responses.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

We the Author and Approving Officers declare that we do not have a Conflict of Interest in relation to this matter.

MATT GRASSMAYR
MANAGER LEISURE & CUSTOMER
EXPERIENCE

ANNA MALGORZEWICZ
GENERAL MANAGER CITY LIVE

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a.malgorzewicz@darwin.nt.gov.au.

Attachments:

- Attachment A:** Draft letter to the Director-General noting Council has not identified any reason that would be grounds for objection under Section 47F(2) of the Liquor Act for the application from Bar3/Sinsations.
- Attachment B:** Draft letter to the Director-General noting Council has not identified any reason that would be grounds for objection under Section 47F(2) of the Liquor Act for the application from Delaware North Retail Services Pty Ltd.
- Attachment C:** Draft letter to the Director-General noting Council has not identified any reason that would be grounds for objection under Section 47F(2) of the Liquor Act for the application from Matthews Group Pty Ltd.
- Attachment D:** Draft letter to the Director-General noting Council's objection to the application from Marlin Darwin Pty Ltd under Section 47F(2) of the Liquor Act.
- Attachment E:** Draft letter to the Director-General noting Council's objection to the application from The Chipppo Pty Ltd under Section 47F(2) of the Liquor Act.

12 July 2017

Please quote: 3554997 AM:kl

Director-General
Gambling and Licensing Services
GPO BOX 1154
DARWIN NT 0800

Dear Director-General

PERMANENT VARIATION TO LIQUOR LICENCE – BAR3 / SINSATIONS

At the 1st Ordinary Council meeting on 11 July 2017, Council considered the above liquor licence application.

Council wishes to advise it has not identified any reason that would be grounds for objection under Section 47(2) of the Liquor Act for the application for the Permanent Variation to Liquor Licence by Bar3 / Sinsations.

Yours sincerely

ANNA MALGORZEWICZ
GENERAL MANAGER
CITY LIFE

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Director-General
Gambling and Licensing Services
GPO BOX 1154
DARWIN NT 0800

Dear Director-General

**PERMANENT VARIATION TO LIQUOR LICENCE – DELAWARE NORTH
RETAIL SERVICES PTY LTD**

At the 1st Ordinary Council meeting on 11 July 2017, Council considered the above liquor licence application.

Council wishes to advise it has not identified any reason that would be grounds for objection under Section 47(2) of the Liquor Act for the application for the Permanent Variation to Liquor Licence by Delaware North Retail Services Pty Ltd.

Yours sincerely

ANNA MALGORZEWICZ
GENERAL MANAGER
CITY LIFE

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Please quote: 3554997 AM:kl

Director-General
Gambling and Licensing Services
GPO BOX 1154
DARWIN NT 0800

Dear Director-General

PERMANENT VARIATION TO LIQUOR LICENCE – MATTHEWS GROUP PTY LTD - PM EAT & DRINK

At the 1st Ordinary Council meeting on 11 July 2017, Council considered the above liquor licence application.

Council wishes to advise it has not identified any reason that would be grounds for objection under Section 47(2) of the Liquor Act for the application for the Permanent Variation to Liquor Licence by Matthews Group Pty Ltd.

Yours sincerely

ANNA MALGORZEWICZ
GENERAL MANAGER
CITY LIFE

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Please quote: 3554997 AM:kl

Director-General
Gambling and Licensing Services
GPO BOX 1154
DARWIN NT 0800

Dear Director-General

PERMANENT VARIATION TO LIQUOR LICENCE – MARLIN DARWIN PTY LTD

At the 1st Ordinary Council meeting on 11 July 2017, Council considered the above liquor licence application.

Council objects to the Permanent Variation to Liquor Licence by Marlin Darwin Pty Ltd pursuant to Section 47(2) of the Liquor Act. Council advocates for supply reduction, demand reduction and harm minimisation to meet the objectives of the Safer Vibrant Darwin Plan. In addition in June 2017, Council endorsed its submission to the NT Alcohol Policies and Legislation Review (Decision No.21\5529, 27/06/17):

Over the past 2 years Council has seen an increase in applications to extend trade to include Christmas Day and Good Friday. Both days have limited or no access to public support services recognised as important health and wellbeing counter measures. Council is concerned by the lack of empirical data to inform licensing decisions and in the ongoing absence of services such as Sobering Up Shelters that at minimum, mirror the operating hours of Darwin's alcohol supply.

Given that Council has committed significant resources to address the adverse impacts of alcohol, and that there are limited or no support services on Good Friday Council objects to this application.

Trading on Good Friday may adversely affect the amenity of the neighbourhood where the premises the subject of the application are or will be located; or the health, education, public safety or social conditions in the community, which is grounds for objection pursuant to Section 47F (2) of the Liquor Act.

Yours sincerely

ANNA MALGORZEWICZ
GENERAL MANAGER
CITY LIFE

12 July 2017

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Director-General
Gambling and Licensing Services
GPO BOX 1154
DARWIN NT 0801

Dear Director-General

PERMANENT VARIATION TO LIQUOR LICENCE – THE CHIPPO PTY LYD

At the 1st Ordinary Council meeting on 11 July 2017, Council considered the above liquor licence application.

Council objects to the Permanent Variation to Liquor Licence by The Chippo Pty Ltd pursuant to Section 47(2) of the Liquor Act.

At the 1st Ordinary Council meeting in May 2010, Council determined that it would object to all new applications of late night trading hours after 2.00am (Decision No. 20\2776, 11/05/10).

Council's position against late night trading hours after 02:00am is clear and the basis for this determination was contained in Council's 2009 submission to the Northern Territory Licensing Commission's "Review of Cheap and Problem Products in Darwin, Palmerston and Rural Areas". To minimise the negative impact of alcohol on the public health, safety and amenity, best practice avoids increasing overall availability (*National Drug Research Institute, Curtin University of Technology Perth, WA 2007*). In addition in June 2017, Council endorsed its submission to the NT Alcohol Policies and Legislation Review (Decision No. 21\5529, 27/06/17).

Late night trading may adversely affect the amenity of the neighbourhood where the premises the subject of the application are or will be located; or the health, education, public safety or social conditions in the community, which is grounds for objection pursuant to Section 47F (2) of the Liquor Act.

Yours sincerely

ANNA MALGORZEWICZ
GENERAL MANAGER
CITY LIFE

15.2 OFFICERS REPORTS (RECEIVE & NOTE)

ENCL: 1ST ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING/OPEN **AGENDA ITEM:** 15.2.1
YES

HORIZONTAL FISCAL EQUALISATION INQUIRY - SUBMISSION

REPORT No.: 17A0066 MC:jg **COMMON No.:** 3542116 **DATE:** 11/07/2017

Presenter: **Manager Finance, Miles Craighead**

Approved: **General Manager City Performance, Diana Leeder**

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the current Productivity Commission inquiry into Horizontal Fiscal Equalisation.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Towards 2020 Strategic Plan':-

Goal

5 Effective and Responsible Governance

Outcome

5.5 Responsible financial and asset management

Key Strategies

5.5.1 Manage Council's business based on a sustainable financial and asset management strategy

KEY ISSUES

- The Australian Government has asked the Productivity Commission to undertake an inquiry into Australia's system of horizontal fiscal equalisation which underpins the distribution of GST revenues to the States and Territories.
- The inquiry is not a detailed review of the Commonwealth Grants Commission's (CGC) formula for calculating GST relativities.
- Submissions close on 30 June 2017 however there will be an opportunity for targeted input to the inquiry following release of the draft report in early October.
- Submissions are required to be evidence heavy and it is recommended that Council wait and respond to the draft report, which will have taken into account evidence based submissions and the findings of the Commonwealth Grants Commission's 2020 Methodology review's views on the horizontal fiscal equalisation objective, supporting principles and their implementation.

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 REPORT NUMBER: 17A0066 MC:jg
 SUBJECT: HORIZONTAL FISCAL EQUALISATION INQUIRY - SUBMISSION

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT Report Number 17A0066 MC:jg entitled Horizontal Fiscal Equalisation Inquiry - Submission, be received and noted.

BACKGROUND

The Commonwealth Grants Commission defines horizontal fiscal equalisation (HFE) as:

State governments should receive funding from the pool of goods and services tax revenue such that, after allowing for material factors affecting revenues and expenditures, each would have the fiscal capacity to provide services and the associated infrastructure at the same standard, if each made the same effort to raise revenue from its own sources and operated at the same level of efficiency.

At a simpler level: ... equalisation aims to put all States on a level fiscal playing field.

DISCUSSION

In May 2017 the Productivity Commission called for submissions to an inquiry into Australia's system of horizontal fiscal equalisation which underpins the distribution of GST revenues to the states and territories. The terms of reference are at **Attachment A**. The guidance note (**Attachment B**) for those making submissions asks that these be 'evidence heavy' and address the two questions:

- how does the current HFE system impact the Australian community, economy and State and Territory Governments?, and
- what preferable alternatives are there to the current HFE system (as adopted by the CGC in its calculation of GST relativities) of equalising State's fiscal capacities?

The Commission is aware of the CGC's 2020 Methodology Review and this inquiry is not a detailed review of the CGC formula for calculating GST relativities. The CGC has indicated that it will publish its views on the HFE objective, supporting principles and their implementation by the end of September 2017 and be timely for input to the Productivity Commission Inquiry.

Submissions close on 30 June 2017 and there will be further opportunities for interested parties to provide input to the inquiry following the release of the draft report in early October 2017.

Council staff have registered Council's interest in the Inquiry with the Productivity Commission and had a number of questions answered and aspects of the inquiry explained and at this stage it is considered more practical for Council to make a targeted response, if appropriate, to the draft report when released in October 2017. By this time the matter may also have been discussed by the Local Government Association of the NT (LGANT).

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 REPORT NUMBER: 17A0066 MC:jg
 SUBJECT: HORIZONTAL FISCAL EQUALISATION INQUIRY - SUBMISSION

CONSULTATION PROCESS

In preparing this report, the following External Parties were consulted:

- Productivity Commission
- LGANT

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Preparing a detailed response to the inquiry would require the allocation of resources currently required for more pressing end of financial year work. Internal discussion and consultation with other parties, including the Commission will continue in order that any issues identified by Council can be raised in October 2017.

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

We the Author and Approving Officers declare that we do not have a Conflict of Interest in relation to this matter.

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Attachments:

Attachment A: GST Distribution Review – Terms of Reference

Attachment B: Inquiry into Horizontal Fiscal Equalisation (HFE) – Guidance Note

ATTACHMENT A

Horizontal Fiscal Equalisation

Terms of reference

I, Scott Morrison, Treasurer, pursuant to Parts 2 and 3 of the *Productivity Commission Act 1998*, hereby request that the Productivity Commission undertake an inquiry into Australia's system of horizontal fiscal equalisation (HFE) which underpins the distribution of GST revenue to the States and Territories (States).

The inquiry should consider the influence the current system has on productivity, efficiency and economic growth, including the movement of capital and labour across state borders; the incentives for the States to undertake fiscal (expense and revenue) reforms that improve the operation of their own jurisdictions, and on the States' abilities to prepare and deliver annual budgets.

Background

HFE has been a feature of Commonwealth-State financial relations since Federation and is Commonwealth Government policy. HFE involves the distribution of Commonwealth financial support to the States so that each State has the capacity to provide its citizens with a comparable level of Government services.

Under the current approach to HFE, the GST is distributed to the States on the basis of relativities recommended by the independent Commonwealth Grants Commission (CGC). In calculating the relativities, the CGC assesses each State's fiscal capacity, including its capacity to raise revenue and its costs of providing government services.

In recent years, some States and commentators have suggested Australia's approach to HFE does not sufficiently recognise the differences between States' individual circumstances nor States' efforts to manage those circumstances thereby creating disincentives for reform, including reforms to enhance revenue raising capacities or drive efficiencies in spending.

In commissioning this inquiry, the Government seeks an examination of the issues underlying these claims and concerns that any gains from reform are effectively redistributed to other States.

Scope of the inquiry

The Commission should consider the effect of Australia's system of HFE on productivity, economic growth and budget management for the States and for Australia as a whole. In doing so, the Commission should, in particular, consider:

- Whether the present adoption by the CGC of a HFE formula to equalise States' revenue raising and service delivery capacities is in the best interests of national productivity; or whether there may be preferable alternatives. On this matter the Productivity Commission should enquire as to whether this aspect of the CGC formula or any other aspect of it may restrict the appropriate movement of capital and labour across State borders to more productive regions during times of high labour demand.
- Policies affecting energy and resources, noting the uneven distribution of natural resources across the nation; whether sufficient consideration is given to the different underlying and structural characteristics of different revenue bases.
- State laws and policies restricting the development of energy resources.
- Whether the present use by the CGC in its HFE formula of rolling three year averages provides the most appropriate estimate of real state revenue raising abilities, particularly for those states heavily reliant on large and volatile revenue streams. Particular analysis should be given to whether the lagged fiscal impacts that result from averaging and non-contemporary data leads to GST relativities which accentuate rather than moderate peaks and troughs in State economic cycles.
- Whether the present HFE formula, may have the effect of producing a disincentive for a State to develop a potential industry or raise a royalty rate for an existing industry at an appropriate time.
- Whether the present HFE formula in its stated aim of comprehensively equalising States' fiscal capacities places too great a reliance on broad indicators and insufficient relevance on specific indicators which recognise States' different circumstances.

The Commission should also take into account previous reviews of the HFE process, including the 2012 *GST Distribution Review* report as well as international approaches to fiscal equalisation within federations.

The Commission should also consider implications for equity across jurisdictions, efficiency and simplicity.

Process

The Commission should undertake appropriate public consultation, including holding hearings, inviting public submissions and releasing a draft report to the public. It should consult widely, including with State and Territory governments.

The final report should be provided to the Government by 31 January 2018.

Scott Morrison
Treasurer

[Received 5 May 2017]



Inquiry into Horizontal Fiscal Equalisation

ATTACHMENT B

The Australian Government has asked the Productivity Commission to undertake an inquiry into Australia's system of horizontal fiscal equalisation (HFE), which underpins the distribution of GST revenue to the States and Territories (States). The terms of reference for the inquiry can be found on the Commission's website: www.pc.gov.au/inquiries/current/horizontal-fiscal-equalisation

The Commission invites interested people and organisations to make a written submission addressing the issues and questions raised by the terms of reference. The terms of reference are both broad and reform oriented. This inquiry is not a detailed review of the Commonwealth Grant Commission's (CGC) formula for calculating GST relativities. This circular provides guidance as to the questions the Commission will seek to ask and answer to meet the terms of reference. In doing this inquiry, the Commission will be guided by the *Productivity Commission Act 1998* and the objective of achieving higher living standards for all members of the Australian community.

The Commission is aware of the CGC's 2020 Methodology Review, which is underway. The CGC has indicated that it will publish its views on the HFE objective, supporting principles and their implementation by the end of September 2017. This work will be a timely input to the Commission's inquiry, albeit its focus is based on the current *Intergovernmental Agreement on Federal Financial Relations* and its own terms of reference. While this results in parallel consultation processes, the CGC review and the Commission's inquiry are complementary.

Our consultation questions

Broadly, the terms of reference ask the Commission to inquire into the economic impacts of the current HFE system, and whether there are preferable alternatives to the current system. Effectively, there are two broad questions for this inquiry to ask and answer. These are identified below and supported with subsidiary questions to guide submissions.

The Commission asks for submissions to be 'evidence heavy'. As far as possible, submissions should identify and detail evidence in support of views and arguments. Submissions are required by **30 June 2017**. There will be further opportunities for interested parties to provide input to the inquiry following the release of the draft report in early October.



Further information on the inquiry and how to provide a submission is available at www.pc.gov.au/inquiries/current/horizontal-fiscal-equalisation or by contacting Mary Cavar on 03 9653 2187.



1 How does the current HFE system impact the Australian community, economy and State and Territory governments?

- a. Is the current HFE system getting in the way of States pursuing higher economic growth and productivity, and at the expense of higher national prosperity? If so, how?
- b. What evidence is available on whether and how the current HFE system affects the movement of labour and capital across State borders, particularly if a region is experiencing high labour demand?
- c. Does the current HFE system create perverse incentives or unintended consequences for reform at the State level? What evidence is there on how these incentives affect State policies and ultimately outcomes for the Australian community?
 - Does the HFE system impede State tax reform over time, including States' decisions on developing their revenue bases and rates? If so, how and to what extent?
 - Does the HFE system impede the efficiency of State service delivery, infrastructure investment and policies affecting where people live? If so, how and to what extent?
 - Is policy neutrality adequately addressed under the average state policy approach? Why or why not?
- d. Does the current HFE system influence State policies to facilitate, restrict or tax the development of economic activity, and in particular energy and mineral resources?
 - What evidence is there for the HFE system affecting State policy choices relating to resource extraction (including regulatory restrictions on development)?
- e. How does the current CGC relativity process affect States' fiscal management from year to year and over time? How does this affect policy outcomes and economic activity in each State?
 - Does the current process impact the ability and propensity for States to manage budgets through cycles, especially for those states relatively more reliant on large and volatile revenue streams?
 - How does data reliability and the three-year averaging process affect fiscal management? Is there a better trade-off between GST relativity precision and timeliness?
 - What is the ability (and track record to date) of States to project and anticipate their own GST relativities, including any impacts of major State initiatives?
 - What resources do individual States expend dealing with HFE matters?



2 What preferable alternatives are there to the current HFE system (as adopted by the CGC in its calculation of GST relativities) of equalising States' fiscal capacities?

- a. What should be the objective of HFE?
 - Should HFE address fiscal divergences across States due to both structural factors (beyond State influence) and cyclical factors (beyond State influence)? If so, over what time period should this be achieved?
 - Should HFE compensate States for fiscal divergences where a State has by choice diverged from efficient tax arrangements and service delivery?
 - Should past State policy decisions (such as on economic development, revenue bases and rates, or budget provisioning) influence the form or degree of fiscal equalisation? If so, how?
 - What are the advantages and disadvantages of targeting full versus partial fiscal equalisation across States?
 - To what extent should States be held accountable for how they use funds received via equalisation?
- b. What are some alternatives to the current system and how would they affect States' incentives to pursue higher prosperity? How would the alternatives perform, relative to the current system, in terms of efficiency, equity and simplicity, and ultimately which approach is best for national productivity and wellbeing?
- c. How do these alternative approaches fit within the wider scheme of federal financial relations? Are some inequalities across States better dealt with outside the HFE system?
- d. What practices in other federations offer pertinent evidence for the Commission's considerations?

ENCL: 1ST ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING/OPEN AGENDA ITEM: 15.2.2
 YES

**REGISTER OF ELECTED MEMBERS' PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE
 FROM JANUARY TO JUNE 2017**

REPORT No.: 17TC0036 MB:sv COMMON No.: 315321 DATE: 11/07/2017

Presenter: Executive Assistant to the Lord Mayor, Sally Vasey

Approved: Executive Manager, Melissa Reiter

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present the Register of Elected Members' Professional Development Expenditure from January to June 2017.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Towards 2020 Strategic Plan':-

Goal

5 Effective and Responsible Governance

Outcome

5.3 Good governance

Key Strategies

5.3.1 Demonstrate good corporate practice and ethical behaviour

KEY ISSUES

The attachment provides the details of the Elected Members' Professional Development Expenditure from January to June 2017.

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT Report Number 17TC0036 MB:sv entitled Elected Members' Professional Development Expenditure from January to June 2017, be received and noted.

BACKGROUND

The format of this report is previously approved.

DISCUSSION

Nil

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REPORT NUMBER: 17TC0036 MB:sv
SUBJECT: REGISTER OF ELECTED MEMBERS' PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
EXPENDITURE FROM JANUARY TO JUNE 2017

CONSULTATION PROCESS

In preparing this report, the following City of Darwin officers were consulted:

- Financial Accountant

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This report is prepared in line with City of Darwin Policy No. 017 - Elected Member Allowances and Expenses.

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

We the Author and Approving Officers declare that we do not have a Conflict of Interest in relation to this matter.

SALLY VASEY
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LORD MAYOR

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Attachments:

Attachment A: Elected Members' Professional Development Expenditure from January to June 2017

Report Professional Development - Elected Members 2016/2017

Each Members of the Council may access up to \$3653.68 as per City of Darwin Municipal

Elected Member	Expenditure	Balance Remaining
Lord Mayor Fong Lim 24618	\$0.00	\$3,653.68
Ald Emma Young 32712	\$3,653.68	\$0.00
Ald Mick Palmer 32711	\$0.00	\$3,653.68
Ald Niblock 24610	\$2,028.92	\$1,624.76
Ald Elix 22543	\$0.00	\$3,653.68
Ald Knox 22544	\$0.00	\$3,653.68
Ald Haslett 24614	\$3,653.68	\$0.00
Justine Glover 31011	\$359.09	\$3,294.59
Ald Lambert 22546	\$0.00	\$3,653.68
Ald Lambrinidis 24612	\$0.00	\$3,653.68
Ald Want de Rowe 24611	\$0.00	\$3,653.68

ENCL: 1ST ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING/OPEN AGENDA ITEM: 15.2.3
 YES

REGISTER OF INVITATIONS ACCEPTED AND DECLINED BY THE LORD MAYOR AND REPRESENTATIVE FROM JANUARY TO JUNE 2017

REPORT No.: 17TC0035 MB:sv COMMON No.: 1381402 DATE: 11/07/2017

Presenter: Executive Assistant to the Lord Mayor, Sally Vasey

Approved: Executive Manager, Melissa Reiter

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present the Register of Invitations Accepted and Declined by the Lord Mayor and Representative from January to March 2017.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Towards 2020 Strategic Plan':-

Goal

5 Effective and Responsible Governance

Outcome

5.3 Good governance

Key Strategies

5.3.1 Demonstrate good corporate practice and ethical behaviour

KEY ISSUES

- Invitations are declined at times due to conflicting commitments and availability of members.

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT Report Number 17TC0035 MB:sv entitled Register of Invitations Accepted and Declined by The Lord Mayor and Representative from January to June 2017, be received and noted.

BACKGROUND

Nil

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REPORT NUMBER: 17TC0035 MB:sv
SUBJECT: REGISTER OF INVITATIONS ACCEPTED AND DECLINED BY THE LORD
MAYOR AND REPRESENTATIVE FROM JANUARY TO JUNE 2017

DISCUSSION

Nil

CONSULTATION PROCESS

In preparing this report, the following City of Darwin officers were consulted:

- Executive Manager

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

City of Darwin Policy No. 018 - Lord Mayor outlines the duties and responsibilities of the Lord Mayor and representatives.

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

We the Author and Approving Officers declare that we do not have a Conflict of Interest in relation to this matter.

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MELISSA REITER
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Attachments:

Attachment A: Register of Invitations Accepted and Declined by the Lord Mayor and Representative from January to June 2017

ATTACHMENT A

Invitations Accepted by Lord Mayor or Representative during January 2017					
Date	Time	Invitee/Company	Function	Venue	Attended By
11/01/2017	1:00pm	The Honourable Lauren Moss MLA Minister for Tourism and Culture	Reception for the Australian Junior Squash Open 2017	Main Hall Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
18/01/2017	12:30pmm	Mr Kevin Mulvahil President of Athletics Northern Territory & Stephen McGugan Chair of the Local Organising Committee	Launch of the 2017 Australian Masters Athletics Championships	Arafura Athletics Stadium	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
20/01/2017	5:30pm	The Honourable Lauren Moss MLA Minister for Tourism and Culture	Reception for the Hottest Sevens in the World Tournament	Main Hall Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
21/01/2017	8:00am	Tou Saramat Ruchkaew, The NT Thai Association	100 Day Mourning Ceremony for King Bhumibol Adulyadej Rama 9 of Thailand	Marrara Indoor Stadium	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
22/01/2017	6:30pm	The Honourable Daryl Manzie, Chair of the Australia Day Council	22nd Australia Day Ball	Darwin Convention Centre	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
25/01/2017	5:30pm	The Chief Minister of the Northern Territory	Reception to Celebrate the Centennial NTFL Game Between the Waratahs and the Wanderers	Main Hall Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
26/01/2017	5:00pm	Ron Mitchell, Multicultural Council NT	Oz Fusion	Portuguese and Timorese Social Club Batten Road Marrara	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
Invitations Declined by Lord Mayor or Representative during January 2017					
Date	Time	Invitee/Company	Function	Venue	Reason
26/01/2017	1:00pm	His Worship the Mayor of Palmerston Ian Abbott	2017 Flag Raising and Citizenship Ceremony	Palmerston Recreation Centre	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
26/01/2017	1:00pm	Litchfield Council	2017 Flag Raising and Citizenship Ceremony	Lakeview Hall Freds Pass	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
31/01/2017	5:30pm	Len Greenwood, Masonic Lodge Darwin	Memorial Service for the Late Inspector Paul Foelsche first NT Police Inspector	Pioneer Cemetery Goyder Road	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim and Representatives unable to attend due to Council Meeting
Invitations Accepted by Lord Mayor or Representative during February 2017					
Date	Time	Invitee/Company	Function	Venue	Attended By
02/02/2017	7:00pm	Karina Libbey Travelling Film Festival Manager	Launch of the Travelling Film Festival in Darwin	Birch Carroll & Coyle Cinema Darwin City	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
06/02/2017	9:30am	Territory Leaders of the Salvation Army Graeme and Karyn Rigley	Installation of New Regional Leaders	The Salvation Army, Cnr Lee Point Road & Yanyula Drive, Anula	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim

06/02/2017	5:30pm	The Chief Minister of the Northern Territory The Honourable Michael Gunner MLA	Reception to Celebrate the Chinese New Year of the Rooster	Main Hall Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
07/05/2017	10:00am	Australian Japanese Association Northern Territory	Children's Day Event	Civic Square Darwin	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
09/02/2017	930am	The Principal and Staff of St John's Catholic College	2017 College Opening Mass	St Mary's Star of the Sea Cathedral	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
10/02/2017	5:00pm	Mr Mike Hughes, Darwin Port Corporation	Cocktail Function	Darwin Convention Centre Level 2 Foyer	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
10/02/2017	7:00pm	Nerissa Agudo-Turland President of the Filipino and Australian Association Northern Territory (FAANT)	FAANT Valentines Day Function	SKYCITY	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
11/02/2017	9:15am	Major Mika Dreu Defence Community Organisation (DCO)	Attend the Welcome to the Top End 2017 for new Defence Personnel	Darwin Convention Centre	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
12/02/2017	6:30pm	The Charles Darwin CDU Foundation	Charles Darwin Black Tie Dinner	Grand Ball Room SKYCITY	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
13/02/2017	7:30am	Acting Pro-Vice Chancellor Indigenous Leadership CDU Ms Wendy Ludwig	Breakfast to Commemorate the Anniversary of the National Apology to the Stolen Generations	Blue 2A Building Casuarina Campus	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
14/02/2017	9:15am	The Honourable Kezia Purick MLA Speaker of the Legislative Assembly	Opening of the First Sitting of Parliament for 2017	The Chamber Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
15/02/2017	5:30pm	His Honour the Honourable John Hardy OAM Administrator of the Northern Territory and Mrs Marie Harvey	Reception at Government House to launch "The Empire Strikes South" by Dr Tom Lewis OAM	Government House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
17/02/2017	5:30pm	AJANT - Australian Japanese Association of the Northern Territory	Plaque Unveiling for the Commemoration for the Japanese I124 Submarine Followed by a Reception	Nitmiluk Lounge Level 4 Parliament House	Deputy Lord Mayor Alderman Bob Elix
17/02/2017	5:30pm	Brigadier BN James AM, DSM Commander 1st Brigade	Farwell Parade for Force Support Element - V1	Robertson Barracks	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
19/02/2017	8:15am	The Australia American Association	Memorial Service and Wreath Laying to Commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Sinking of the USS Peary During the Bombing of Darwin on the 19 February 1942	USS Peary Gun Site Memorial, Bicentennial Park Darwin City	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
19/02/2017	11:00am	The Chief Minister of the Northern Territory The Honourable Michael Gunner MLA	Reception to Commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin	Main Hall Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
19/02/2017	1:30pm	The Chief Minister of the Northern Territory The Honourable Michael Gunner MLA	Luncheon to Commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin	Nitmiluk Lounge Level 4 Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim

20/02/2017	10:00am	Coomalie Council	Ecumenical Service for the 75th Anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin	Adelaide River	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
22/02/2017	8:45am	Samantha Ambridge International Studies Chares Darwin University	Welcoming International Students	Mal Nairn Auditorium Charles Darwin University	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
22/02/2017	4:30pm	The Chief Minister of the Northern Territory The Honourable Michael Gunner MLA	Afternoon Tea to Celebrate the Inaugural Study in Australia's Scholarships	Nitmiluk Lounge Level 4 Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
22/02/2017	5:30pm	The Chief Minister of the Northern Territory The Honourable Michael Gunner MLA	Welcome Reception for the 2017 Semester 1 International Students	Main Hall Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
28/02/2017	12:00pm	Adam Armstrong Managing Director, Australia and New Zealand Royal Caribbean Line (RCL) Cruises Ltd	Media Conference and Tour of the Ship	Ovation of the Seas Fort Hill Wharf	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
Invitations Declined by Lord Mayor or Representative during February 2017					
Date	Time	Invitee/Company	Function	Venue	Reason
14/02/2017	5:30pm	Sarah Lillecrapp Department of Tourism NT and Culture	The Territory Remembers Last Post Ceremony	Defence of Darwin Experience East Point	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim and Representative unable to attend due to Council Meeting
17/02/2017	5:00pm	Creative Director Britt Guy - ACCOMPLICE	Reception within the ACCOMPLICE Residency Space and launch 2017 Program	ACCOMPLICE, 3/7 Caryota Court Coconut Grove	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments.
24/02/2017	5:00pm	Bridge Toyota	Launch of the all-new C-HR SUV	Darwin Showroom	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments.
28/02/2017	10:30am	Stephanie Kendall, COTA NT	COTA Fundraising Devonshire Tea	Spillett House Smith Street	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments.
Invitations Accepted by Lord Mayor or Representative during March 2017					
Date	Time	Invitee/Company	Function	Venue	Attended By
04/03/2017	11:00am	Multicultural Council of the Northern Territory (MCNT)	International Women's Day Multicultural Women's Day Lunch	DCA Chambers Malak	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
08/03/2017	7:15am	Sinead Downey Women in Engineering	International Women's Day Breakfast	Vibe Hotel at the Waterfront	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
08/03/2017	5:30pm	Ron Mitchell Multicultural Council of the Northern Territory	International Women's Day Screening of "My Story" and panel time	NT Museum Theatrette	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
10/03/2017	9:45am	Somerville Community Services CEO and Staff	International Women's Day	Darwin Convention Centre	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
11/03/2017	5:30pm	Commodore Peter Lockett and Mrs Avenal Lockett	The Official Naming of the Elliot 7 sports boats and celebration afterwards	Clubhouse Lawns	Alderman Robin Knox Chair Community and Cultural Services
11/03/2017	6:30pm	International Women's Day Committee	International Women's Day Gala Dinner Fundraiser	Grand Ballroom Double Tree Hilton	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim

12/03/2017	8:30am	The Chief Minister of the Northern Territory The Hon Michael Gunner MLA	Breakfast for the Adelaide Crows Women's Team	Main Hall Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
12/03/2017	1:30pm	Multicultural Council of the Northern Territory (MCNT)	Oz Fusion 2018 Planning Meeting	Portuguese and Timorese Club Marrara	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
15/03/2017	7:00pm	Browns Mart Productions	Opening Night of "A Doll's House"	Browns Mart Theatre	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
16/03/2016	11:00am	The Hon Kon Vatskalis JP Regional Manager Leukaemia Foundation NT	The World's Greatest Shave	Casuarina Shopping Square	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
17/03/2017	6:00pm	Story Productions	True Stories told in the Territory	Northern Territory Library	Alderman Robin Knox Chair Community and Cultural Services and Alderman George Lambrinidis
18/03/2017	12:00pm	The Chairman and Board of the Darwin Turf Club Inc	Shenannigans St Patricks Day	Committee Room Darwin Turf Club	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
19/03/2017	9:30am	Rev Elizabeth Warschauer	Dedication and Blessing of a Memorial Reflection Pool	Peace Garden Darwin Uniting Church	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
25/03/2017	10:00am	The Greek Orthodox Community of the Northern Territory	Commemorate Greek Independence Day	Greek Orthodox Church Cavanagh Street	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
25/03/2017	11:00am	Joanne Buckley Centre Manager	Official Opening of Little Flyers Childcare Centre	Airport Precinct	Alderman Justine Glover
27/03/2017	6:30pm	The Honourable Lauren Moss MLA Minister for Sports and Community Events	Reception for INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY SERIES – AUSTRALIA VS PAKISTAN	Main Hall Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
28/03/2017	11:00am	COTA NT	Devonshire Cream Tea Fundraiser	Spillett House Darwin City	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
29/03/2017	7:00pm	Satu Bulan Teater Satu Performing Lines and Browns Mart Productions	Opening night of Age of Bones by Sandra Thibodeaux	Browns Mart Theatre	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
30/03/2017	5:30pm	The Honourable Clare Martin Chair of the Northern Territory & Kimberley Region Defence Reserves Support Council	2017 Defence Reserves Employer Support Awards	Larrakeyah Barracks	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
31/03/2017	18:45pm	The Senior ADF Officer RAAF Base Darwin	96th Anniversary of the Royal Australian Air Force	RAAF Base Darwin Officers' Mess	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
Invitations Declined by Lord Mayor or Representative during March 2017					
Date	Time	Invitee/Company	Function	Venue	Reason
03/03/2017	7:00pm	Alan James, General Manager, Darwin Entertainment Centre	Celebrate the Launch of the Inaugural 2017 Darwin Entertainment Centre Concert Series	Darwin Entertainment Centre - The Gallery Ground Floor	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
03/03/2017	6:00pm	Brigadier Ben James Commander 1st Brigade	1st Brigade Army Birthday Cocktail Party	Robertson Barracks Officer's Mess	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim and Acting Lord Mayor Alderman Bob Elix unable to attend due to prior commitments

21/03/2017	12:00pm	Relationships Australia NT	Lunch to Acknowledge the 4th Anniversary of the Apology for Forced Adoptions	Table 43 - Mantra Pandanas	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim and Representatives unable to attend due Council Committee Meeting
22/03/2017	11:30am	The Katherine Museum and Katherine RSL Sub-Branch Inc	The Commemorative Anniversary of the 75th Bombing of Katherine	The Katherine Museum Gorge Road	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
26/03/2017	10:15am	Christopher Teng NT President UN Northern Territory	Invitation to Participate as a Speaker Panellist on the Speakers' Panel of UN Youth NT's Territory Conference 2017	Red Building 6.1.02 Charles Darwin University Casuarina Campus	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
26/03/2017	10:00am	Sharm Bali President of the Indian Cultural Society	Indian Cultural Society of Holi Celebrations	Lake Alexander	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
28/03/2017	5:30pm	The Chief Minister of the Northern Territory The Honourable Michael Gunner MLA	Reception for the 2017 Australian Institute of Company Directors' Northern Territory Graduation	Nitmiluk Lounge Level 4 Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim and Representatives unable to attend due Council Meeting
29/03/2017	8:00am	The Chief Minister of the Northern Territory The Honourable Michael Gunner MLA	Territory Economic Summit	Darwin Convention Centre	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim did not attend due to administration error
29/03/2017	5:30pm	The Honourable Ken Vowles MLA Minister for Primary Industry and Resources	Reception to present the Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation 2017 NT Rural Women's Award	Nitmiluk Lounge Level 4 Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim and Representatives unable to attend due to prior commitments
30/03/2017	5:00pm	Northern Territory Thunder	NT Thunder Season Launch	Cazaly's Palmerston Club	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
31/03/2017	12:00pm	Tracks Dance and the Grey Panthers	Sneak Peek of the performance Caravan Performance	Tracks Dance Studio Frog Hollow	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend Local Government commitments

Invitations Accepted by Lord Mayor or Representative during April 2017					
Date	Time	Invitee/Company	Function	Venue	Attended By
01/04/2017	7:30am	Kate Batty Autism NT	Walk for Autism	Sunset Park Nightcliff Jetty	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
05/04/2017	5:30pm	Justine Searle, Statewide Super Northern Territory	Business at Sunset	Paspalis Business Centre	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
12/04/2017	5:15pm	Darwin Festival Board	Hear about the 2017 Darwin Festival	Paspaley Charles Darwin Centre	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
13/04/2017	6:30pm	Darlene Chin, Director Attitude for Men	Official Opening of New Store - a New Era in Darwin Retail	Attitude for Men Knuckey Street Darwin City	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
18/04/2017	10:00am	His Honour The Honourable John Hardy AO Administrator of the Northern Territory and Mrs Marie Hardy	Morning tea for the Darwin Memorial Unity Church	Government House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
19/04/2017	7:25pm	Alice Body, Manager Deckchair Cinema	Deckchair Cinema Opening Night 2017	Deckchair Cinema	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
24/04/2017	9:30am	Trevor Read Principal Darwin High School	Darwin High School ANZAC Assembly	Darwin High School	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
25/04/2017	5:30am	Coomalie Council	Dawn Service Adelaide River	Adelaide River War Graves	Alderman Garry Lambert
25/04/2017	6:45pm	The Honourable Kezia Purick MLA Speaker of the Legislative Assembly	Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conference Welcome Dinner	The Dining Room Parliament House Darwin	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
25/04/2016	6:00am	The President and Committee Returned Soldiers and Services League of Australia Darwin Sub Branch Inc	Darwin Dawn Service	Cenotaph Bicentennial Park	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
26/04/2016	9:00am	The President and Committee Returned Soldiers and Services League of Australia Darwin Sub Branch Inc	To Be Present On The Dias With Capt. Brian Parker RAN On The Occasion Of Taking The Salute for the ANZAC Day March	Raintree Park Knuckey Street	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
29/04/2017	6:00pm	Malak Market Place Committee Members	2017 Opening of the Malak Marketplace Markets	Chambers Crescent Malak	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
Invitations Declined by Lord Mayor or Representative during April 2017					
Date	Time	Invitee/Company	Function	Venue	Reason
01/04/2017	7:30pm	The Board of the Darwin Symphony Orchestra	2017 Fundraising Gala Concert	Charles Darwin University Theatre Building Orange 3	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments

11/04/2017	5:30pm	His Honour the Honourable John Hardy AO Administrator of the Northern Territory and Mrs Marie Hardy	Reception for the Christmas in Darwin Association Inc	Government House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim and Representative unable to attend due to scheduled Council Meeting
12/04/2017	5:30pm	The Darwin Festival	Meet the new Darwin Festival Board Members	Paspaley Charles Daw	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
21/04/2017	7:00pm	Sue Auld, NT Music School	Battle of the School Bands	Browns Mart Theatre Courtyard	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments and Deputy Lord Mayor Simon Niblock advised late due to prior commitments
23/04/2017	1:00pm	Kim Koole, Local Darwin Artist	Release of Debut Album "Blue Skies"	Noonamah Tavern	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitment
24/05/2017	5:00pm	The Board of Charles Darwin University	2017 Scholarship Ceremony	Mal Nairn Auditorium Charles Darwin Universtiy	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitment
25/04/2017	7:30am	Father Chediel Mloka St Mary's Catholic Cathedral	ANZAC Day Mass	St Mary Star of the Sea Catholic Cathedral	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to a prior ANZAC commitment
26/04/2017	3 day event	Leanne Coleman Conference Manager National Rural Health Alliance	14th National Rural Health Conference	Cairns, Queensland	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments in Darwin
29/04/2017	7:00pm	Northern Territory Touch Football	Combined Ochre Awards Night and NT Titles Presentation for the NT Touch Championships	Rydges Ballroom Rydges Hotel Palmerston	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitment.
29/04/2017	7:15pm	Allan James General Manager Darwin Entertainment Centre	Invitation to attend production of SOAP including pre drinks and Canapes	Darwin Entertainment Centre	Lord Mayor did not accept invitation as had personally purchased tickets to see the show

Invitations Accepted by Lord Mayor or Representative during May 2017					
Date	Time	Invitee/Company	Function	Venue	Attended By
05/05/2017	6:00pm	Brynda Wackett Committee for Nightcliff Seabreeze Festival 2017	Seabreeze Sunset Soiree for Creative Minds	Foreshore Restaurant and Café	Deputy Lord Mayor Simon Niblock
07/05/2017	8:00am	The Australian-American Association of the Northern Territory	Commemorative Service for the 75th Anniversary of the Battle of the Coral Sea	USS PearyGun Site	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
07/05/2017	10:00am	Australian Japanese Association of the Northern Territory	Japanese Children's Day	Civic Park	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
07/05/2017	12:00pm	Ameena Serao, President Neighbourhood Watch NT	Ima Safety House Birthday Fun Day	Jingili Water Gardens	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
10/05/2017	12:00pm	Rachael Bowker Volunteering NT	2017 Volunteers Week Garden Party	Darwin Waterfront	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
11/05/2017	5:30pm	His Honour the Honourable John Hardy AO Administrator of the Northern Territory and Mrs Marie Hardy	Reception in Recognition of the 21st Anniversary of the Intergrated disAbility Action Inc.	Government House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
12/05/2017	10:00am	Northern Territory Stolen Generations Aboriginal Corporation	Heal Our Past Build Our Future "Poetry for Healing"	NTSGAC Boardroom Building 3, 13-17 Scaturchio Street Casuarina	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
12/05/2017	3:00pm	Charles Darwin University Museum	International Nurse's Day on Florence Nightingale's Birthday	Building Blue 2A Casuarina Campus	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
13/05/2017	11:00am	Jean Bruppacher Coconut Grove Seniors Community Hall Inc	Mother's Day Lunch	Community Hall Coconut Grove	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
17/05/2017	5:30pm	The Honourable Natasha Fyles MLA Minister for Health	Reception for the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia Awareness Advocacy Campaign	Members and Guest Lounge Parliament House Darwin	Alderman Gary Haslett
24/05/2017	5:00pm	The Board of the Charles Darwin University Foundation	20147 Scholarship Ceremony	Mal Nairn Auditorium CDU Campus Casuarina	Alderman George Lambrinidis
24/05/2017	5:30pm	Paul Zenkteler, Divisional Manager SA/NT Institute of Public Accountants	Welcome to Darwin for Conference for Delegates attending the IPA Forum	Crococaurus Cove Mitchell Street Darwin	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
25/05/2017	2:00pm	Sue Dibbs, Pearl Social Committee	The Biggest Afternoon Tea	Leisure Centre	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
26/05/2017	10:00am	Maisie Austin CEO, NT Stolen Generations Aboriginal Corporation	Commemoration of the 20th Anniversary of the Brining them Home Report National Sorry Day	Jingili Water Gardens	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
26/05/2017	5:00pm	The Executive Board of Royal Life Saving Australia NT Branch	Reception for the Community Engagement Party and Official Opening of the Royal Life Saving NT Headquarters	Parap Recreation Facility 77 Ross Smith Avenue Parap	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
26/05/2017	6:00pm	David Christian General Manager SKYCITY Darwin	VIP Area for light meal and drinks to attend Dr Hook - Walk Right In 2017	SKYCITY Darwin	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim

26/05/2017	5:30pm	The Honourable Dale Wakefield MLA Minister for Territory Families	Reception for the Launch of the Foster and Kinship Carers Charter of Rights	Main Hall Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
27/05/2017	11:30am	Captain Stanislas de Chageres Commanding Officer of the FNS Mistral	Luncheon on board the Mistral	Fort Hill Wharf	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
27/05/2017	6:30pm	Commander Simon Howard RAN CSM Officers and Crew of HMAS <i>Parramatta</i>	Special Evening to honour the Jeanne d'Arc 2017 Task Force arriving in the city of Darwin	HMAS Parramatta will be berthed at Fort Hill Wharf (East)	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
28/05/2017	12:30pm	Danni Jones Aurecon Group	Share the Dignity Fundraising Event		Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
31/05/2017	6:30pm	His Honour the Honourable John Hardy AO Administrator of the Northern Territory and Mrs Marie Hardy	Reception to honour Northern Territory's 2017 Senior Australian of the Year Sister Ann Gardiner	Government House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
Invitations Declined by Lord Mayor or Representative during May 2017					
Date	Time	Invitee/Company	Function	Venue	Reason
06/05/2017	11:00am	The Commodore Mr Peter Lockett and Mrs Avenal Lockett	The Official Opening of the 54th Sailing Season and Blessing of the Fleet	Clubhouse Lawns	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
11/05/2017	7:15am	Ward Keller	Ward Keller 15th Annual Budget Breakfast	The Pavilion SKYCITY	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
11/05/2017	6:00pm	Ron Mitchell Multicultural Council Northern Territory (MCNT)	Public Reception for Paige Burton Youth Representative to the United Nations	MCNT Chambers Crescent Malak	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
13/05/2017	6:00pm	Tamil Society NT	Tamil Society Culture Night	Harmony Hall 44 Patterson Street Malak	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
16/5/2017q	1:30pm	Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics	Officially Commemorate the Tiger Brennan Duplication between Woolner Road and Berrimah Road	Share Path beside the Entry to Stoddart Drive	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
21/05/2017	7 day event	Badminton Australia	2017 Total BFW Sudirman Cup World Team Event	Gold Coast	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to commitments in Darwin.
22/05/2017	5:30pm	The Honourable Dale Wakefield MLA Minister for Territory Families	Reception for Volunteers in the Territory	Main Hall Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to commitments in Darwin.
24/05/2017	5:00pm	The Board of the Charles Darwin University Foundation	2017 Scholarship Ceremony	Mal Nairne Auditorium, CDU Campus Casuarina	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
25/05/2017	5:00pm	The Board of the Charles Darwin Foundation	The 2017 Annual General Meeting	5th Floor Theatre CDU Waterfront Facility	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
25/05/2017	7:00pm	Darwin's97seven	Vision Night 2017	Dreambuilders Church Leanyer	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
26/05/2017	6:00pm	Gary Lang Artistic Director Garmalang Festival	Opening Ceremony of 2017 Garmalang Festival	The Raft Darwin Entertainment Centre	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
26/05/2017	5:30pm	The Honourable Dale Wakefield MLA Minister for Territory Families	Reception for launch of Foster and Kinship Carer's "Charter of Rights"	Main Hall Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments

27/05/2017	4 day event	Mr Lawrence Wong Chairman World Cities Summit Mayors Forum 2017	World Cities Summit Mayors Forum 2017	City of Suzhou, China	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to commitments in Darwin.
27/05/2017	6:30pm	The Principal and Staff of St John's Catholic College	Year 12 Presentation Ball	Club Tropical Resort Lee Point	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
29/05/2017	5:30pm	The Chief Minister of the Northern Territory The Honourable Michael Gunner MLA	Reception for the NT Stolen Generation 20th Anniversary of Bringing them Home	Main Hall Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim and Representatives unable to attend due to Council meeting

Invitations Accepted by Lord Mayor or Representative during June 2017					
Date	Time	Invitee/Company	Function	Venue	Attended By
01/06/2017	5:00pm	Charles Darwin University	Graduation Ceremony - Faculty for Engineering, Health, Science and the Environment and the Faculty of Vocational Education and Training	Darwin Convention Centre	Deputy Lord Mayor Gary Haslett
02/06/2017	10:00am	Stephanie and the COTA NT Team	Seniors EXPO 2017	Museum and Art Gallery NT Lawns	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
02/06/2017	6:00pm	The Chief Minister of the Northern Territory The Honourable Michael Gunner MLA	Reception for the Warrior Welcome Home NT Program	Members and Guest Lounge Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
02/06/2017	5:00pm	The Honourable Don Wakefield MLA Minister for Territory Families	Multicultural Youth NT's 10th Anniversary	Nitmuluk Lounge, Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
06/06/2017	5:30pm	The Chairman of the International Business Council (IBC)	2017 Chief Minister's Export and Industry Awards Presentation Evening	SKYCITY Beachside Pavilion	Deputy Lord Mayor Gary Haslett
07/06/2017	6:30pm	Australian Hotels Assoc NT Branch	2017 AHA (NT) Aristocrat Technologies Awards for Excellence	Lawns of Skycity	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim & Alderman /Simon Niblock
08/06/2017	5:30pm	The Honourable Lauren Moss MLA Minister for Tourism and Culture	2017 Australian Masters Athletics Championships	Members and Guest Lounge Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
09/11/2017	6:00pm	Aleisha Sullivan, Event Coordinator Australian Masters Athletic Championships	Opening Ceremony 2017 Australian Masters Athletics Championships	Arafura Stadium 40 Abala Road Marrara	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
10/06/2017	6:30pm	Filipino-Australian Association of the Northern Territory (FAANT)	Filipino-Australian Association of the Northern Territory (FAANT) 119th Anniversary of the Proclamation of Philippine Independence - DINNER DANCE	Rydges Palmerston	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
11/06/2017	6:30pm	Aleisha Sullivan, Event Coordinator Australian Masters Athletic Championships	Awards Night Dinner Australian Masters Athletics	Club Tropical Resort 622 Lee Point Road Marrara	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
11/06/2017	1:00pm	George Koulakis Managing Director Glenti Festival	Judging of the Galaktoboureko competition with chief Judge George Diakomichalis	Mantra on the Esplanade	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
12/06/2017	9:45am	Aleisha Sullivan, Event Coordinator Australian Masters Athletic Championships	Present at the Australian Masters Athletic Championships	Arafura Stadium 40 Abala Road Marrara	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
14/06/2017	11:00am	Catholic Care NT	Blessing of new Malak Office	80 Malak Crescent Malak	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
14/06/2017	4:00pm	TFE Hotels and Indigenous Business Australia and Wunan Foundation	Launch of Adina Vibe Hotel Darwin's Indigenous Engagement Strategy and Real Jobs Program	Curve Restaurant	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim

14/06/2017	6:30pm	The Honourable Lauren Moss MLA Minister for Tourism and Culture	Reception for Top End Rumble	Main Hall Parliament House	Deputy Lord Mayor Gary Haslett
14/06/2017	6:30pm	Rhiannon Hale Essington School Darwin	The Essington Preschool Graduation Evening	Essington School	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
14/06/2017	6:00pm	City of Darwin - Climate Change & Environment	Climate Change Challenge VI	Function Area - Civic Centre	Alderman Emma Young
16/06/2017	6:30pm	NT Australian Institute of Architects	2017 NT Architecture Awards	George Brown Botanic Gardens	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
16/06/2017	6:00pm	The Honourable Michael Gunner MLA	Reception for Crownbet Darwin Triple Crown 20 Years of Darwin Supercars	Speakers Green, Parliament House	Alderman Gary Haslett
17/06/2017	5:30pm	The Honourable Eva Lawler MLA Minister for Education	Reception for NT Christian Schools Indigenous Boarding House Parents	Nitmuluk Lounge,Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
17/06/2017	9:30pm	City of Darwin - Youth Section	Midnight Basketball Grand Final	Darwin Basketball Stadium	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim and Alderman
21/06/2017	5:30pm	The Honourable Natasha Fyles MLA Minister for Health	Reception to launch the Northern Territory Branch of the Australasian College of Health Service Management	Members and Guest Lounge Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
21/06/2017	6:00pm	Darwin Festival Board	Darwin Festival 2017 Program Launch	Deckchair Cinema	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
23/06/2017	5:30pm	Artback NT	Exhibition Opening	Northern Centre for Contemporary Art (NCCA)	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
27/06/2017	1:00pm	Chief Minister of the NT	Luncheon to mark the Official Visit of His Excellency Mr Jingye Cheng	Members and Guest Lounge Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
28/06/2017	12:00noon	The Chief Minister of the Northern Territory The Honourable Michael Gunner MLA	Reception for the Chief Minister's History book Awards	Northern Territory Library	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
30/06/2017	5:30pm	The Chief Minister of the Northern Territory The Honourable Michael Gunner MLA	Reception for Women on Boards and BPW Darwin	Nitmiluk Lounge Level 4 Parliament House	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
30/06/2017	12:00pm	M Westwood - HMAS Ballarat	Talisman Sabre 17 VIP luncheon	HMAS Ballarat Fort Hill Wharf	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim

Invitations Declined by Lord Mayor or Representative during June 2017					
Date	Time	Invitee/Company	Function	Venue	Reason
04/06/2017	4:00pm	The Hotel Darwin	VIP Launch	Hotel Darwin	Lord Mayor unable to attend due to prior commitments
07/06/2017	6:30pm	Darwin Fringe Festival	Darwin Fringe Festival Program Launch	Darwin Railway Club	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments

07/06/2017	6:00pm	Ambassador of the Russian Federation and Mrs Irina Logvinova	Reception to Celebrate the National Day of Russia	Federation Ballroom Hyatt Hotel Canberra	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to commitments in Darwin
08/06/2017	6:30pm	Helen Spiers PhD GAICD Principal Kormilda College	Kormilda College Performance of Footloose	Dumabudla Centre	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
11/06/2017	1:45pm	Northern Territory Calisthenics Association and NTCA President Deborah Halliwell	VIP Function to Celebrate 2017 NT Representative Team Competing at the Australian Calithenics Federation	Darwin Entertainment Centre	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim
12/06/2017	10:30am	Erin Bormann Tennis Operations Coordinator Tennis NT	Finals Day Function	Gardens Tennis Gilruth Avenue The Gardens	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
20/06/2017	5:30pm	Jeff Ellison Managing Director of Sealink Travel Group and Andrew McEvoy Chair of Sealink Travel Group	Twilight Cruise aboard "MV Tiwi Mantawi"	Marina Boulevard Larrakeyah Cullen Bay	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to Council Committee Meeting
22/06/2017		Debra Pace, St Vincent de Paul Society (NT) Inc.	Annual CEO Sleepout for St Vincent de Paul Society	Darwin Convention Centre	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
22/06/2017	6:30am	Mark Smith Music NT Executive Director and Chair Anouska Vema	Launch of MusicNT Legends Program	Secret Moonlight Garden Darwin Botanical Gardens	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
30/06/2017	8:00am	Leut Matthew Westwood	Talisman Sabre 17 VIP static military display	RAAF Base Darwin	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments
30/06/2017	6:30pm	Mr Allan Myers AC QC Chairman and Mr Marcus Schutenko Director Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory	An evening celebrating the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory Fundraising Dinner	The Museum 19 Conacher Street The Gardens	Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim unable to attend due to prior commitments

16. TOWN PLANNING REPORT/LETTERS

ENCL: 1ST ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING/OPEN AGENDA ITEM: 16.1
 YES

COUNCIL RESPONSES TO PLANNING APPLICATIONS- JULY 2017

REPORT No.: 17TS0064 BS:hd COMMON No.: 2547669 DATE: 11/07/2017

Presenter: Manager City Planning, Cindy Robson

Approved: General Manager City Operations, Luccio Cercarelli

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present to Council for consideration, responses to Planning Applications received between 17 June and 30 June 2017.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Towards 2020 Strategic Plan':-

Goal

1. Collaborative, Inclusive and Connected Community

Outcome

1.4 Improved relations with all levels of government and significant stakeholders

Key Strategies

1.4.2 Play an active role in strategic and statutory planning processes

KEY ISSUES

A summary of City of Darwin responses to the Development Consent Authority for Development Applications exhibited between 17 June and 30 June 2017 is provided.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- A. THAT Report Number 17TS0064 BS:hd entitled Council Responses to Planning Applications - July 2017, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the responses to the Development Consent Authority within **Attachments A & B** to Report Number 17TS0064 BS:hd entitled Council Responses to Planning Applications- July 2017.

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BACKGROUND

City of Darwin responded to five Development Applications between 17 June and 30 June 2017.

DISCUSSION

Development Applications

Of the five Development Applications, City of Darwin officers recommend supporting four (either subject to normal or specific conditions) and not supporting one, until specific matters are adequately addressed. This represents rates of 80% of the applications being supported or not supported until further matters are addressed, and 20% of the applications either being not supported or objected to.

Development Applications supported, subject to normal Council conditions

The table below describes the Development Applications that are supported by City of Darwin officers, subject to Council's normal Development Permit conditions in regard to issues including, but not necessarily limited to, waste collection, access and stormwater drainage.

Responses to these Development Applications are provided as **Attachment A** to this report.

Property Address	Description of Development Proposal
Lot 5244 - Town of Darwin 1 Casino Drive, The Gardens	Additions to an existing casino (elevated plant platform). (New Chiller Plant Platform)
Lot 11425 - Town of Nightcliff 18 Morris Street, Muirhead	Unit title schemes subdivision to create 2 units and common property. (Muirhead duplex)
Lot 4606 - Town of Darwin 175 Bagot Road, Ludmilla	Addition of a 3 bedroom dwelling in a single storey building to an existing dwelling. (The land is zoned MD (Multiple Dwelling Residential))
Lot 4827 - Town of Sanderson 10 Sundew Ct, Karama	Shade structure addition to an existing single dwelling with a reduced rear setback. (Requires 1.5m, has 1.4m – at the back of block surrounded by vegetation)

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Development Applications not supported subject to specific matters being adequately resolved:

The table below describes the Development Applications that are not supported by City of Darwin officers until the specific matters outlined are adequately resolved:

Responses to these Development Applications are provided as **Attachment B** to this report.

Property Address	Description of Development Proposal	Specific Matters
Lot 1635 - Town of Darwin 1 Carey Street, Darwin (tenancy 3 & 4)	Change in use from warehouse to leisure and recreation (gym)	Not Supported: There are two designated car parking spaces (12 are required) with the remainder requiring the use of other business and public car parking facilities. A monetary contribution has been requested by City of Darwin in accordance with its Car Parking Contribution Plan.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

In preparing this report, the following City of Darwin officers were consulted:

- Manager City Planning
- Town Planner
- Planning Officer

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Relevant Council policies are noted in individual letter responses.

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Budget implications may arise from individual development applications, including payment in lieu of car parking, payment of various contribution plans, and long term upgrading of infrastructure and services as a result of accumulative development.

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Risks, legal and legislative implications, if applicable, are noted in individual letter responses.

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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Environmental implications, if applicable, are noted in individual letter responses.

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

We the Author and Approving Officers declare that we do not have a Conflict of Interest in relation to this matter.

CINDY ROBSON
MANAGER CITY PLANNING

LUCCIO CERCARELLI
GENERAL MANAGER
CITY OPERATIONS

For enquiries, please contact Cindy Robson on 8930 0528 or email:
c.robson@darwin.nt.gov.au.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Letters of support, subject to normal Council conditions, for Development Applications not yet considered by the Development Consent Authority

Attachment B: Letters not supporting Development Applications subject to specific matters being adequately resolved

23 June 2017

Please quote: 3552453 BS:hd
Your reference: PA2017/0267

Mr Tony Brennan
Acting Manager Urban Planning
Department of Infrastructure, Planning & Logistics
GPO Box 1680
DARWIN NT 0801

Dear Mr Brennan

Parcel Description: Lot 5244 - Town of Darwin
1 Casino Drive, The Gardens

Proposed Development: Additions to an existing casino (elevated plant platform)

Thank you for the Development Application referred to this office 8 June 2017, concerning the above. This letter may be placed before City of Darwin's, Ordinary Council Meeting. Should this letter be varied or not endorsed by Council, you will be advised accordingly.

No issues are raised for this Development Application in relation to matters that fall within the responsibility of City of Darwin.

In considering this application, the Development Consent Authority is requested to take into account any implications of the *Disability Discrimination Act* (Cth) or the *Anti-Discrimination Act* (NT) with regard to access for the disabled.

If you require any further discussion in relation to this application, please feel free to contact me on 8930 0528.

Yours faithfully



CINDY ROBSON
STRATEGIC TOWN PLANNER

23 June 2017

Please quote: 3553517 DB:hd
Your reference: PA2017/0265

Mr Tony Brennan
Acting Manager Urban Planning
Department of Infrastructure, Planning & Logistics
GPO Box 1680
DARWIN NT 0801

Dear Mr Brennan

**Parcel Description: Lot 11425 - Town of Nightcliff
18 Morris Street, Muirhead**

**Proposed Development: Unit title schemes subdivision to create 2 units
and common property**

Thank you for the Development Application referred to this office 9 June 2017, concerning the above. This letter may be placed before City of Darwin's, Ordinary Council Meeting. Should this letter be varied or not endorsed by Council, you will be advised accordingly.

No issues are raised for this Development Application in relation to matters that fall within the responsibility of City of Darwin.

In considering this application, the Development Consent Authority is requested to take into account any implications of the *Disability Discrimination Act* (Cth) or the *Anti-Discrimination Act* (NT) with regard to access for the disabled.

If you require any further discussion in relation to this application, please feel free to contact me on 8930 0528.

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27 June 2017

Please quote: 3557346 BS:hd
Your reference: PA2017/0281

Mr Tony Brennan
Acting Manager Urban Planning
Department of Infrastructure, Planning & Logistics
GPO Box 1680
DARWIN NT 0801

Dear Mr Brennan

**Parcel Description: Lot 4606 - Town of Darwin
175 Bagot Road, Ludmilla**

**Proposed Development: Addition of a 3 bedroom dwelling in a single
storey building to an existing dwelling**

Thank you for the Development Application referred to this office 15 June 2017, concerning the above. This letter may be placed before City of Darwin's, Ordinary Council Meeting. Should this letter be varied or not endorsed by Council, you will be advised accordingly.

The following issues are raised for consideration by the Authority:

- i). **City of Darwin does not object to the granting of a Development Permit.**
- ii). **City of Darwin requests that should a Development Permit be issued, that the following be provided as a condition precedent:**
 - 1). **City of Darwin requests that the Authority require a schematic plan demonstrating all stormwater to be collected on the site and discharged to the stormwater drainage system.** The applicant's plans fail to demonstrate how on-site stormwater will be collected and discharged to ensure that no stormwater will sheet-flow into adjoining properties.

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27 June 2017

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Mr Tony Brennan
Acting Manager Urban Planning
Department of Infrastructure, Planning & Logistics
GPO Box 1680
DARWIN NT 0801

Dear Mr Brennan

**Parcel Description: Lot 4827 - Town of Sanderson
10 Sundew Ct, Karama**

Proposed Development: Shade structure addition to an existing single dwelling with a reduced rear setback.

Thank you for the Development Application referred to this office 16 June 2017, concerning the above. This letter may be placed before City of Darwin's, Ordinary Council Meeting. Should this letter be varied or not endorsed by Council, you will be advised accordingly.

The following issues are raised for consideration by the Authority:

- i). **City of Darwin does not object to the granting of a Development Permit.**
- ii). **City of Darwin requests that should a Development Permit be issued, that the following be provided as a condition precedent:**
 - 1). **City of Darwin requests that the Authority require a schematic plan demonstrating all stormwater to be collected on the site and discharged to the stormwater drainage system.** The applicant's plans fail to demonstrate how on-site stormwater will be collected and discharged to ensure that no stormwater will sheet-flow into adjoining properties.

In considering this application, the Development Consent Authority is requested to take into account any implications of the *Disability Discrimination Act* (Cth) or the *Anti-Discrimination Act* (NT) with regard to access for the disabled.

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23 June 2017

Please quote: 3557317 DB:hd

Your reference: PA2017/0274

Mr Tony Brennan
Acting Manager Urban Planning
Department of Infrastructure, Planning & Logistics
GPO Box 1680
DARWIN NT 0801

Dear Mr Brennan

Parcel Description: **Lot 1635 - Town of Darwin
1 Carey Street, Darwin (tenancy 3 & 4)**

Proposed Development: **Change in use from warehouse to leisure and
recreation (gym)**

Thank you for the Development Application referred to this office 15 June 2017, concerning the above. This letter may be placed before City of Darwin's, Ordinary Council Meeting. Should this letter be varied or not endorsed by Council, you will be advised accordingly.

City of Darwin does not support the granting of a Development Permit for the following reason:

- a). Given the location of the site, vehicular parking within the Carey Street road reserve is in high demand. It is noted that the on-site car park has a boom gate at the entrance restricting any ability for clients of the gym to use the car park.

The Statement of Effect acknowledges that the proposed land use requires a minimum of 12 car parking spaces, pursuant to the Northern Territory Planning Scheme.

The Development Application provides two designated car parking spaces with the remainder requiring the use of other businesses and public car parking facilities. Given the fact that the applicant cannot provide sufficient on-site car parking and will require the use of public car parking facilities, if a development permit is issued, City of Darwin requests a monetary contribution in accordance with its Car Parking Contribution Plan in lieu of the on-site car parking shortfall as a result of this development.

Should the above issues be adequately addressed, City of Darwin offers the following comments:

- a). City of Darwin requests that the Authority require a monetary contribution is paid to City of Darwin in accordance with its Car Parking Contribution Plan in lieu of the on-site car parking shortfall as a result of this development. The Northern Territory Planning Scheme requires 12 car parking spaces and only two are provided on site.

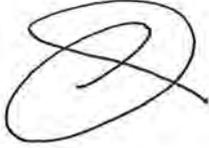
Should this application be approved, the following conditions pursuant to the *Planning Act* and City of Darwin's responsibilities under the *Local Government Act* are also recommended for inclusion in the Development Permit issued by the Development Consent Authority.

- Car parking spaces and internal driveways shall meet the requirements of the relevant Australian Standard and be line-marked and sealed with an impervious material.
- The total number of required disabled car parking bays shall be met on site.
- Pursuant to clause 6.5.2 of the Northern Territory Planning Scheme and s.70(5) of the *Planning Act* a monetary contribution shall be paid to City of Darwin for any determined car parking shortfall.
- Waste bin storage and pick-up shall be provided in accordance with City of Darwin Policy Number 54 - Waste Management.
- Any proposed signage for the site shall be subject to a separate assessment in accordance with City of Darwin Policy Number 42 – Outdoor Advertising Signs Code.
- Any proposed works on/over City of Darwin property shall be subject to separate application to City of Darwin and shall be carried out to the requirements and satisfaction of the General Manager Infrastructure, City of Darwin.

In considering this application, the Development Consent Authority is requested to take into account any implications of the *Disability Discrimination Act* (Cth) or the *Anti-Discrimination Act* (NT) with regard to access for the disabled.

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ENCL: 1ST ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING/OPEN **AGENDA ITEM:** 16.2
YES

**ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS INCLUDING CHANGE OF USE - PA2017/0269
 - LOT 3751 (48) MITCHELL STREET, DARWIN CITY**

REPORT No.: 17TS0066 DB:hd **COMMON No.:** 3552626 **DATE:** 11/07/2017

Presenter: Manager City Planning, Cindy Robson

Approved: General Manager City Operations, Luccio Cercarelli

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's endorsement of the response, Pursuant to Section 48 of the *Planning Act*, to the following development application: Alterations and Additions Including Change of Use - PA2017/0269 - Lot 3751 (48) Mitchell Street, Darwin City.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Towards 2020 Strategic Plan':-

Goal

1. Collaborative, Inclusive and Connected Community

Outcome

1.4 Improved relations with all levels of government and significant stakeholders

Key Strategies

1.4.2 Play an active role in strategic and statutory planning processes

KEY ISSUES

- The proposal seeks the removal of the existing budget accommodation known as "Ashton Lodge" to be replaced by the expansion of the existing hotel use, currently known as "Wisdom Bar & Cafe."
- The proposal is to be conducted in two stages. The first stage is predominantly to the north of the existing building, with the second stage to the south of the existing building facing Mitchell Street.
- The proposed expansion is consistent with other land uses in the area.
- The development will generate a car parking shortfall and a monetary contribution (in accordance with City of Darwin Central Business District Parking Strategy and Contribution Plan) has been requested.
- Council holds an existing bank guarantee to the value of \$105,000 for "14 Car Parks" from a previous development permit. This was established to allow time for the applicant to investigate purchasing Council's car parking area to the rear of the allotment.
- A traffic and car parking statement has not been provided. Subsequently, City of Darwin has requested this information in order to provide comment.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

- A. THAT Report Number 17TS0066 DB:hd entitled Alterations and Additions Including Change of Use - PA2017/0269 - Lot 3751 (48) Mitchell Street, Darwin City be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the submission, dated 23 June 2017, to the Development Assessment Services within **Attachment A** to Report Number 17TS0066 DB:hd entitled Alterations and Additions Including Change of Use - PA2017/0269 - Lot 3751 (48) Mitchell Street, Darwin City.

BACKGROUND

The Subject land is identified as Lot 3751 Town of Darwin, 48 Mitchell Street, Darwin City and currently contains two businesses, a guest house and hotel under the names "Ashton Lodge" and "Wisdom Bar and Café."

Mitchell Street is considered to be an entertainment district comprising a number of bars, nightclubs, cafes, restaurants and similar venues.

The footpaths are generally covered with awnings which provide shade and shelter for pedestrians. The current alfresco dining within the road reserve (including awnings) was approved in association with the Wisdom Bar and Café, 6 December 2005 (DP05/0522).

The owner of the allotment was granted a Development Permit (DP16/0025) for additions and alterations to an existing hostel, including a new gaming area. The gaming area proposed within this Development Application has not been constructed.



Image 1: Subject Land

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DISCUSSION

Proposal

The Development Application is for a partial change of use of the building from guesthouse to hotel including alterations and additions to the existing building at Lot 3751 Town of Darwin, 48 Mitchell Street, Darwin City.

The proposed development will eliminate the existing budget accommodation and expand the existing hotel uses in the form of a bar/restaurant, gaming area, cocktail bar/lounge/dining area, upper deck and function areas. In addition, a verandah will be raised above the proposed upper deck to a maximum height of 10.33 metres.

The applicant has specified that the proposed development will be constructed in two stages.

Stage 1

The proposed stage 1 development will be located internally and to the rear of the existing built form. The existing budget accommodation, including reception and pool, will be removed and replaced with a bar/restaurant, gaming area, office, cool room, staff room, utility area, upper level bar/dining area and two smaller function areas on the third floor. It is important to note that seven of the existing budget accommodation rooms will remain for 'seasonal staff' during the peak season (dry season).

Stage 2

The proposed stage 2 development will be located in front of the existing built form and will replace the existing courtyard with a new entrance, lift, ATM area, pizza area, cocktail bar/lounge/dining area, upper deck and awnings (both internal (covering upper deck) and external (over footpath)).

The proposed development is considered to be consistent with other land uses within the Central Business Zone and within the locality around Mitchell Street. In essence, it is an expansion of the existing hotel. Of particular note is the increase in bar/restaurant/dining area/upper deck/function area by approximately 741.5 square metres in addition to the original existing Wisdom Bar & Café's 422.3 square metres.

As mentioned in the Statement of Effect by the applicant, the proposed internal awning will be 890 millimetres higher than the existing built form. The proposed awning will abut the neighbouring allotment's building, which is already in excess of the height of the proposed awning.

It is noted that the Development Application proposes two blank walls of dimensions 17.04 metres in length by 7.085 metres in height and 14.45 metres in length by 8.02 metres in height. This may impact the adjoining allotment; however, with regard to the land use as an entertainment venue, this walling is likely to represent an acoustic barrier and help mitigate acoustic concerns.

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The proposed two storey portion abutting the allotment boundary to Mitchell Street is consistent with existing structures within the locality and any undue impact to amenity is likely to be mitigated by the provision of the proposed awnings. The proposed shade structures are considered consistent with other shade structures within the locality and will provide general weather protection.

Existing plant equipment will be further concealed from the public view and rooved.

Car Parking

The calculations regarding the prescribed number of car parking spaces are presented within the Statement of Effect located in **Attachment B**. In summary, the total number of car parking spaces required for this land use is 52 spaces, pursuant to Clause 6.5 of the Northern Territory Planning Scheme (NTPS). The applicant considers the allotment to contain 10 car parking spaces and references a previous payment for 13 car parking spaces to offset a car parking shortfall under Development Permit (DP05/0096B). It is acknowledged that Development Permit (DP05/0096B) requiring contribution payment of the 13 car parking spaces was held and secured in a bank guarantee. This was established to provide an opportunity for the applicant to approach Council to purchase the car parking bays to the rear of the property. The sale of the car parking bays did not eventuate. Regardless of the outcome of this application, the applicant is required to finalise payment for the current shortfall which is secured by a bank guarantee. This matter will be finalised with the applicant.

The Statement of Effect has registered that there is a shortfall of 29 car parking spaces and stated that “the applicant is prepared to pay a monetary contribution to (City of Darwin) in lieu of providing car parking on site if additional car parking bays are required.” City of Darwin has requested a monetary contribution in accordance with its Car Parking Contribution Plan, in response to any car parking shortfall determined as a result of the proposed development.

Traffic and Car Parking Statement

The applicant has advised within the Statement of Effect that a traffic and car parking statement is still forthcoming. Subsequently, City of Darwin has requested that the traffic and car parking statement be provided as a condition precedent.

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It is acknowledged that it is currently unknown what variations or conditions will be required for both liquor and gaming until Wisdom Bar & Café confirm any material alterations and submit an application for a liquor licence. Any changes to the Wisdom Bar and Café Liquor Licence will need to be advertised and City of Darwin will be advised as a stakeholder.

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Awnings

The proposed awning is required to be constructed in accordance with City of Darwin Policy No. 037 - Awnings, Balconies and Verandahs on Council Property. A separate application has been requested for Council's consideration.

Summary

The proposed development seeks to expand the hotel premises whilst eliminating the existing budget accommodation. The land use is considered consistent with other land uses within the locality. The proposal has yet to provide a traffic and car parking statement and currently identifies that it will incur a car parking shortfall. Any awnings over Council's road reserve will require a separate application in accordance with City of Darwin Policy No. 037 - Awnings, Balconies and Verandahs on Council Property.

This report recommends that Council endorse the response Pursuant to Section 48 of the *Planning Act*, which requests a traffic and car parking statement and a monetary contribution in accordance with Council's Car Parking Contribution Plans.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

In preparing this report, the following City of Darwin officers were consulted:

- Manager City Planning
- Town Planner
- Team Leader Development
- Manager Community Development
- Manager Leisure & Customer Experience

In preparing this report, the following External Parties were consulted:

- Development Assessment Services
- National Australia Bank

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

All works within Council road reserve will be subject to the relevant City of Darwin policies and standards

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Monetary contributions have been requested for a shortfall in car parking. An existing bank guarantee to the amount of \$105,000 is still valid for the previous car parking shortfall required under Development Permit (DP05/00969) and has not been executed.

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RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

There are unlikely to be any legal implications as City of Darwin is providing its response pursuant to Section 48 of the *Planning Act*.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Environmental impacts can be managed through conditions on any development permit.

COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

We the Author and Approving Officers declare that we do not have a Conflict of Interest in relation to this matter.

CINDY ROBSON
MANAGER CITY PLANNING

LUCCIO CERCARELLI
GENERAL MANAGER
CITY OPERATIONS

For enquiries, please contact Cindy Robson on 8930 0528 or email:
 c.robson@darwin.nt.gov.au.

Attachments:

Attachment A: City of Darwin, Letter of Response to Development Assessment Services, dated 23 June 2017

Attachment B: Development Application, PA2017/0269 - Lot 3751 (48) Mitchell Street, Darwin City

Submitted electronically at

<https://www.darwin.nt.gov.au/council/council-committees/agendas-minutes/1st-ordinary-council-meeting-35>

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Department of Infrastructure, Planning & Logistics
GPO Box 1680
DARWIN NT 0801

Dear Mr Brennan

Parcel Description: Lot 3751 - Town of Darwin
48 Mitchell Street, Darwin

Proposed Development: Change of use of part of the building from
guesthouse to hotel including alterations and
additions to the existing building

Thank you for the Development Application referred to this office 8 June 2017, concerning the above. This letter may be placed before City of Darwin's, Ordinary Council Meeting. Should this letter be varied or not endorsed by Council, you will be advised accordingly.

- i). **City of Darwin does not object to the granting of a Development Permit provided the following issues are adequately addressed:**
- a). **Traffic and Parking Statement**
City of Darwin's ability to comment on the traffic and car parking for the proposed development is restricted due to the lack of a traffic engineers report as alluded to within the Statement of Effect. City of Darwin therefore requests a Traffic Impact Assessment Report, to be prepared by a suitably qualified traffic engineer, in order to make an assessment on the provision of a loading bay, parking requirements and safe access and egress to the site.
 - b). **Vehicle parking**
The Statement of Effect calculates a total car parking generation of 52 car parking spaces, with 29 of these not being accounted for through either on-site car parking spaces or under the conditions of previous Development Permits. The applicant has noted that they are "prepared

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to pay a monetary contribution to (City of Darwin) in lieu of providing car parking on site.”

It is acknowledged that Development Permit (DP05/0096B) to vary the requirements of DP05/0096 required a monetary contribution for 13 car parking spaces. The current Development Application requires an additional 29 car parking spaces on top of the existing car parking shortfall. City of Darwin acknowledges the inability to provide sufficient car parking on-site due to the scale and type of development.

Subsequently, City of Darwin requests that the remaining car parking shortfall not be waived and a monetary contribution be paid in order for City of Darwin to assist in rectifying any car parking issues that may occur as a result of the car parking shortfall, by providing car parking at an alternative location in lieu of on-site provision.

- c). **Awnings**
City of Darwin notes that an awning is proposed, the applicant is reminded that any awnings must be in accordance with City of Darwin Policy No. 037 Awnings, Balconies and Verandahs on Council Property. City of Darwin requests a separate application for any proposed awnings over Council’s road reserve.
- ii). **City of Darwin requests that should a Development Permit be issued, that the following be provided as a condition precedent:**
 - a). **Crossover**
A dilapidation report covering infrastructure within the road reserve to the satisfaction of the General Manager Infrastructure, City of Darwin at no cost to Council.
 - b). **Awnings**
All awnings and canopies over City of Darwin road reserves must be designed in accordance with City of Darwin Policy No. 037 – awnings, Balconies and Verandahs on Council Property and are subject to the approval of the General Manager Infrastructure, City of Darwin.
 - c). **Stormwater**
City of Darwin requests that the Authority require a schematic plan demonstrating all stormwater to be collected on the site and discharged underground to City of Darwin’s stormwater drainage system. The applicant’s plans fail to demonstrate how on-site stormwater will be

collected and discharged underground to City of Darwin's drainage network.

- 1). The plan shall include details of site levels and City of Darwin's stormwater drain connection point/s. The plan shall also indicate how stormwater will be collected on the site and connected underground to City of Darwin's system.
- 2). City of Darwin requires a stormwater drainage plan to confirm that it is technically feasible to collect stormwater on the site and dispose of it into City of Darwin's stormwater drainage system. It is also necessary to ensure that no stormwater will sheet-flow into the road reserve or onto adjoining properties.

d). **Environmental and Construction Management Plan**

City of Darwin requests that an Environmental and Construction Management Plan (ECMP) be required.

The ECMP should specifically address the following:

- waste management,
- traffic control,
- haulage routes,
- storm water drainage,
- use of City of Darwin land, and
- how this land will be managed during the construction phase;

to the satisfaction of the General Manager Infrastructure, City of Darwin.

Note: Sediment control measures are to be established and maintained, to prevent silt and sediment escaping the site or producing erosion.

Building rubbish or debris must not be placed, or be permitted to be placed, on any adjoining public reserve, footway, road or private land, without first obtaining a works approval from City of Darwin.

e). **Traffic**

City of Darwin requires a Traffic Impact Assessment Report, to be prepared by a suitably qualified traffic engineer in accordance with the Austroads Document Guide to Traffic Management Part 12: Traffic Impacts of Developments, in the report structure provided as Appendix C of that document, with particular attention to vehicular, pedestrian, cyclist and public transport issues and opportunities.

The Traffic Impact Assessment report is to also include swept paths for waste collection vehicles entering and exiting the site.

The developer will be required to institute all required upgrade measures resulting from the traffic assessment at no cost to City of Darwin.

- iii). **Should the above issues be adequately addressed, City of Darwin offers the following comments:**

City of Darwin comments on issues for which it is the sole responsible authority, under the *Local Government Act* and associated By-Laws:-

a). **Awning Overhang**

The proposal includes awning overhangs to Mitchell Street. Awning agreements are required as a separate approval from City of Darwin. City of Darwin requests that the applicant first seek all required approvals from City of Darwin for any awnings or canopies for the proposed building.

City of Darwin comments in relation to the *Planning Act*, the Northern Territory Planning Scheme and Land Use Objectives:-

- a). **City of Darwin requests that the Authority require a monetary contribution is paid to City of Darwin in accordance with its Car Parking Contribution Plan in lieu of the on-site car parking shortfall as a result of this development.**

Should this application be approved, the following conditions pursuant to the *Planning Act* and City of Darwin's responsibilities under the *Local Government Act* are also recommended for inclusion in the Development Permit issued by the Development Consent Authority.

- Designs and specifications for landscaping of the road verges adjacent to the property shall be submitted for approval by the General Manager Infrastructure, City of Darwin and all approved works shall be constructed at the applicant's expense, to the requirements of City of Darwin.
- The location, design and specifications for proposed and affected crossovers shall be provided at the applicant's expense, to the satisfaction of the General Manager Infrastructure, City of Darwin.
- Kerb crossovers and driveways to the site shall be provided and disused crossovers removed, public footpath and cycleways shall be provided,

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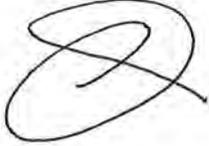
stormwater shall be collected and discharged into City of Darwin's drainage network, and reinstatement works carried out, all of which is to be provided at the applicant's expense and to the requirements and satisfaction of the General Manager Infrastructure, City of Darwin.

- Sight lines shall be provided at crossovers to public streets, to the satisfaction of the General Manager Infrastructure, City of Darwin. No fence or tree exceeding 0.6 metres in height shall be planted in front of the sight line.
- Any gate over an access to a public road shall be placed on the subject site at least 4.5 metres from the face of the kerb line of the adjoining public road.
- Car parking spaces and internal driveways shall meet the requirements of the relevant Australian Standard and be line-marked and sealed with an impervious material.
- The total number of required disabled car parking bays shall be met on site.
- All developments on/or adjacent to any easements on-site, in favour of City of Darwin shall be carried out to the requirements and satisfaction of the General Manager Infrastructure, City of Darwin.
- Waste bin storage and pick-up shall be provided in accordance with City of Darwin Policy Number 54 - Waste Management.
- Any proposed signage for the site shall be subject to a separate assessment in accordance with City of Darwin Policy Number 42 – Outdoor Advertising Signs Code.
- Any proposed awnings at the site shall be subject to City of Darwin Policy Number 37 - Awnings, Balconies and Verandahs on Council Property.
- Any proposed works on/over City of Darwin property shall be subject to separate application to City of Darwin and shall be carried out to the requirements and satisfaction of the General Manager Infrastructure, City of Darwin.
- Any proposed stormwater connections to City of Darwin stormwater system or proposed works on/over City of Darwin property shall be subject to separate application to City of Darwin and shall be carried out to the requirements and satisfaction of the General Manager Infrastructure, City of Darwin.

In considering this application, the Development Consent Authority is requested to take into account any implications of the *Disability Discrimination Act* (Cth) or the *Anti-Discrimination Act* (NT) with regard to access for the disabled.

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17. INFORMATION ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

17.1 Chief Minister of the Northern Territory - Support for Smart Cities and Suburbs Program Application and Funding

Document No. 3570206 (11/07/17) Common No. 3226493

*The incoming letter is **Attachment A**.*





CHIEF MINISTER

ATTACHMENT A

04 JUL 2017

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The Right Worshipful the Lord Mayor of Darwin
Ms Katrina Fong Lim
City of Darwin
GPO Box 84
DARWIN NT 0801

Dear Lord Mayor

Katrina

I am pleased to be writing in relation to the City of Darwin's application to the Commonwealth Government's Smart Cities and Suburbs Program. As you are aware, I have been a strong advocate for the development of an integrated package of initiatives to make Darwin more attractive to investors, residents and business, that will result in a revitalised city centre and increase jobs and economic growth.

The coming together of the Northern Territory Government and the City of Darwin in the re-established Northern Australia Capital City Committee to collaborate on enhancing the attraction, resilience and liveability of Darwin to create a smart city that is the gateway to the North will deliver benefits to the Darwin community for many years to come.

I am happy to confirm that the Northern Territory Government will support a successful City of Darwin application to the Commonwealth Government's Smart Cities and Suburbs Program through a \$2.5 million contribution. In addition, the Northern Territory Government stands ready to work with the City of Darwin to facilitate the smoothest possible implementation of the project.

In the event the City of Darwin application is successful, please contact Ms Bridgette Bellenger of my Department on (08) 8999 8808 or email bridgette.bellenger@nt.gov.au to arrange the execution of a Funding Agreement for this grant.

Yours sincerely

MICHAEL GUNNER

29 JUN 2017



17.2 Local Government Association of the Northern Territory - Call for Policy and Action Motions for the General Meeting in November 2017
(11/07/17) Common No. 3559235



LGANT CALL FOR POLICY AND 'ACTION' MOTIONS

**About this document**

The purpose of this document is for it to be used as a template for member councils to submit motions to LGANT on issues so they can be considered for adoption as LGANT policy or as actions for LGANT to do at either the April or November General meetings each year or the monthly Executive meetings. The timeframes for submitting motions are ten days before an Executive meeting and six weeks for a General meeting (General meeting agenda has to be submitted 28 days before a meeting and Executive meeting agenda six days before a meeting). Motions can be submitted at any time and will be put to the first available meeting depending on when they are received.

LGANT will research and assess each policy or action proposal and if necessary discuss it with the proponent member council and the Executive will then later decide at one of its meetings whether to adopt the policy or not, or take the action or not, or to put it to a general meeting for decision.

1. What is your Motion?

Include the text of the motion (short paragraph or paragraphs – see LGANT policies as examples of how you could structure a motion at www.lgant.asn.au).

2. How is the motion relevant to Northern Territory Local Government?

Please provide comment here if the motion is proposed as a LGANT policy and explain why it should be and how it is relevant to the Northern Territory Local Government sector.

3. What are your key points in support of your motion?

Here you should provide some background about the issue, some evidence to support the motion and your text should be no more than 600 words.

4. Is there a Council Resolution in support of this motion?

Yes No

5. Should the motion be LGANT policy?

Yes No

6. Contact Information

Council:

Name:

Telephone:

Fax:

Email:

18. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

19. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

20. GENERAL BUSINESS

21. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Common No. 2695130

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 25 July 2017, at 5:00pm (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Council Chambers, 1st Floor, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

22. CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Common No. 2695131

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.

23. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON

