# **Business Papers**

# Ordinary Council Meeting

Tuesday, 26 February 2019 5.30pm





# **Notice of Meeting**

To the Lord Mayor and Aldermen

You are invited to attend an Ordinary Council Meeting to be held in the Council Chambers, Level 1, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin, on Tuesday, 26 February 2019, commencing at 5.30pm.

**MELISSA REITER** 

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**ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER** 

THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – OPEN SECTION TUESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2019

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#### **CITY OF DARWIN**

### THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY MEETING OF THE TWENTY-SECOND COUNCIL

#### **TUESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2019**

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

OFFICERS: Chief Executive Officer, Mr S Waters; General Manager Government Relations and External Affairs, Ms M Reiter; General Manager Innovation, Growth and Development Services, Mr J Sattler; General Manager Engineering and City Services, Mr R Grinsell; General Manager Community and Regulatory Services, Ms P Banks; Coordinator Governance, Mrs P Hart.

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- 2. THE LORD'S PRAYER
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- 4. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE Common No. 2695036
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Nil

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- 5. ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE Common No. 2221428
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# 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, 12 February 2019, be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

#### 7.2 <u>Business Arising</u>

- 8. MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE
- 9. DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS

Nil

#### 10. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

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#### 11. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Common No. 1944604

#### 11.1 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:-

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C26.3	8(c)(iv)	council or some other person information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person
C26.4	8(c)(iv)	information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person
C26.5	8(c)(iv)	information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person

#### 11.2 Moving Open Items Into Confidential

#### 11.3 <u>Moving Confidential Items Into Open</u>

#### 12. PETITIONS

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

# 13.1 Art Work to Commemorate the 1919 Great Air Race Common No. 3713001

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

#### Recommendations

- A. THAT Council prepare a report on the commissioning of a Council Artwork to commemorate the 100 year Anniversary of the Great Air Race.
- B. That Council budget \$30,000 for such an artwork.
- C. That in the preparation of this report Council consult with the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee and other groups and departments who are organizing celebrations for this event.

26th February 2019

#### NOTICE OF MOTION

#### SUBJECT: Art work to commemorate the 1919 Great Air Race

I give notice that at the Second Ordinary Council Meeting on 26th day, February 2019, I will be moving the following motion:-

THAT Council prepare a report on the commissioning of a Council Α Artwork to commemorate the 100 year Anniversary of the Great Air Race.

- В That Council budget \$30,000 for such an artwork.
- C That in the preparation of this report Council consult with the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee and other groups and departments who are organizing celebrations for this event.

#### **REASON**:

In 1919, The acting Australian Prime Minister William Alexander Watt announced, on behalf of Prime Minister William "Billy" Hughes, the Commonwealth Government would offer a prize of £10,000 for the first successful flight to Australia from Great Britain in under 30 days.

Australia had the world's attention on 10 December 1919 as the winners of the Great Air Race from England to Australia finally touched down in Fannie Bay.

The Northern Territory Government is funding a number of initiatives to commemorate this event and attract tourists. An air show and expo is planned for August 2019 and celebrations will end with the E-Race landing; a contemporary re-enactment of the original race using electric planes powered by renewable sources.

The planned celebrations will be centred around the Darwin municipality.

This was a celebration of a world famous international race. It is appropriate that Darwin, as the Australian landing site of this Great Race, have a permanent visual artwork to commemorate such an historic event and something that tourists can visit.

Signed by me at Darwin this 26th February 2019

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

#### 13.2 <u>Provision of 120L Domestic Waste Bins</u>

Common No. 3360944

The Notice of Motion raised by Member S J Niblock is Attachment B.

#### Recommendations

THAT a report be prepared outlining ways to provide the option of a 120L domestic waste bins to Darwin residents.

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ATTACHMENT B

19 Feb 2019

**NOTICE OF MOTION** 

**SUBJECT**: Provision of 120L domestic waste bins

I give notice that at the 2nd Ordinary Council Meeting on 26 Feb 2019, I will be moving the following motion:

THAT a report be prepared outlining ways to provide the option of a 120L domestic waste bins to Darwin residents.

REASON:

The City of Darwin presently provide households with a single 240L rubbish bin. Whilst suitable for many households it is a one size fits all solution. Based on data from <a href="https://atlas.id.com.au/darwin">https://atlas.id.com.au/darwin</a> almost 20 percent of Darwin households have only a single resident.

Most households may have need for a large 240L bin, however there are many residents, for whom a 120L bin would not only be sufficient but desirable. Older people are likely to find a smaller bin eaiser to manoeuvre to and from the curb each week, and other residents with small yards may appreciate a smaller bin taking up less space.

The provision of 120L would be at a residents request should they determine that they want a smaller bin.

Signed by me at Darwin this 21st day of Feb 2018

Alderman Simon Niblock

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## 14.1 OFFICERS REPORTS (ACTION REQUIRED)



ENCL: 2ND ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING/OPEN AGENDA ITEM: 14.1.1

# BOMBING OF DARWIN AND MILITARY HISTORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES DARWIN CENOTAPH AREA

REPORT No.: 19CE0051 SJ:jw COMMON No.: 2762062 DATE: 26/02/2019

Presenter: Manager Engagement and Events, Sheree Jeeves

Approved: General Manager Government Relations and External Affairs,

Melissa Reiter

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to present the minutes from the Bombing of Darwin and Military History Advisory Committee meetings of the 12 December 2018 and 6 February 2019.

The report presents a recommendation from the Committee regarding the events and activities supported for Bicentennial Park – Area 1.

#### **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

4 Darwin is recognised as a welcoming and culturally rich and diverse city

#### Outcome

4.1 Recognise key activities and events

#### **Key Strategies**

4.1.3 Promote Darwin's war time, military and aviation history

#### **KEY ISSUES**

- Minutes from the Bombing of Darwin and Military History Advisory Committee meetings on the 12 December 2018 and 6 February 2019 are provided at Attachment A.
- The Committee has made a recommendation to Council regarding the use of Bicentennial Park Area 1, adjacent the Darwin Cenotaph.
- Darwin Cenotaph is an important memorial that commemorates Australian servicemen and women who have served in conflicts in which Australia has been involved.
- The Cenotaph is located adjacent to what was previously Darwin Oval. Now an open space, this area has become a popular location for small events and recreation activities. This area is now referred to as Bicentennial Park Area 1.

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• An exclusion zone exists around the Cenotaph to ensure the symbolic and historical significance of the Cenotaph is respected by users of Bicentennial Park.

Attachment B shows the exclusion zone.

• Council has received a number of requests for larger events to be held in Bicentennial Park – Area 1.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- A. THAT Report Number 19CE0051 SJ:jw entitled Bombing of Darwin and Military History Advisory Committee Minutes Darwin Cenotaph Area, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Australian Defence Force events and activities are prioritised for Bicentennial Park Area 1.
- C. THAT other than Australian Defence Force events, Bicentennial Park Area 1 is used for low scale, alcohol-free events and activities with minimal infrastructure to retain the space as a respectful memorial area for community and visitors to reflect on Australian servicemen and women.

#### **BACKGROUND**

#### PREVIOUS DECISIONS

DECISION NO. 21\3119 (31/03/15)

#### Exclusion Zone - Darwin Cenotaph Bicentennial Park

- A. THAT Report Number 15C0048 CB:kl entitled Exclusion Zone Darwin Cenotaph Bicentennial Park, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse Option B as provided in **Attachment B** of Report Number 15C0048 CB:kl entitled Exclusion Zone Darwin Cenotaph Bicentennial Park, as an official Exclusion Zone around the Cenotaph.

DECISION NO. 18\1993 (26/06/01)

#### Memorial Entrance to the Cenotaph

- A. THAT as part pf the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary commemorations, the Council investigate the design and building of a Memorial Entrance to the Cenotaph sited on the Esplanade to ensure:
  - i. the appropriate commemoration of Darwin civilian casualties of World War
  - ii. the recognition that the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary has been hosted by the Darwin City Council.

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B. THAT the Cenotaph is given a "presence" and the history of this area interpreted.

C. THAT a project brief on the Memorial Entrance to the Cenotaph, be prepared.

#### DISCUSSION

The Darwin Cenotaph commemorates the sacrifice of Australian servicemen and women who have served in conflicts in which Australia has been involved. The Cenotaph was first erected outside Government House in 1921. Funds for the Cenotaph were subscribed by various organisations and committees throughout the Territory. A dedication service was held in April 1921 when the monument was entrusted to the keeping of the Darwin Town Council by the Soldiers Monument Committee. In handing over the monument Mr Percy Kelsey, hon secretary to the Soldiers Monument Committee stated:

On behalf of the committee representing the citizens of the Northern Territory who have subscribed towards placing this memorial here I now place in your keeping as Mayor of this town, this token of their appreciation and regard, and I trust that the memories of what our men have done for us may inspire yours and successive Councils with a true appreciation of the seriousness of your trust and that it may enable them to tend to this monument with reverential and affectionate care.

The Cenotaph was relocated to the Civic Centre in 1970 and to its current location in Bicentennial Park in 1992. Darwin's Cenotaph is a declared object on the Heritage Register. It was nominated in September 1996 and declared by the Minister in June 2000. The Darwin City Centre Master Plan identifies the Cenotaph as an important area to be retained and upgraded for defence memorials and commemorations.

The Cenotaph is located adjacent to what was previously Darwin Oval. Now an open space, this area has become a popular location for small events and recreational activities, both informal and organised, such as group fitness sessions, corporate sporting activities and one off events such as Melanoma March. This area is now referred to as Bicentennial Park – Area 1.

In 2015 Council endorsed an exclusion zone around the Cenotaph to ensure the symbolic and historical significance of the Cenotaph is respected by users of Bicentennial Park. **Attachment B** shows the exclusion zone.

The Council Decision does not specify the type and size of events and activities that Council supports being held at Bicentennial Park – Area 1. However, generally only small events and recreation activities have been approved for this space.

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Council has received requests for larger events to be held at Bicentennial Park – Area 1, such as music festivals and large community events.

The Bombing of Darwin and Military History Advisory Committee considered what types of events and activities, other than Defence Force events, are supported for use of this area. The Committee recommend that the space is used only for low scale alcohol free events with minimal infrastructure. This is to retain the significance of the space as a respectful memorial area for community and visitors to reflect on Australian servicemen and women. Bookings for this area will prioritise Australian Defence Force events. This recommendation is in line with the position of the Darwin RSL.

These conditions will be included in Terms and Conditions for booking of Bicentennial Park – Area 1. Booking requests will be processed operationally, with any ambiguous or special requests to be decided in collaboration with Darwin RSL. For instance, Darwin Festival used Bicentennial Park – Area 1 in 2018 for the Spiegeltent due to the previous location on the lawns of Parliament House being under construction. This area will still be under construction in August this year and as such Darwin RSL is supportive of Darwin Festival use of the space again in 2019 due to the construction works.

#### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

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

- General Manager Community and Regulatory Services
- Team Leader Customer Services
- Events Logistics Officer

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

Darwin RSL

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

This Decision of Council will inform the conditions of booking for Bicentennial Park – Area 1.

#### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

#### RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

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#### **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.

SHEREE JEEVES
MANAGER ENGAGEMENT AND
EVENTS

MELISSA REITER

<u>GENERAL MANAGER</u>

<u>GOVERNMENT RELATIONS AND</u>

<u>EXTERNAL AFFAIRS</u>

For enquiries, please contact Sheree Jeeves on 89300197 or email: s.jeeves@darwin.nt.gov.au.

#### **Attachments:**

**Attachment A:** Bombing of Darwin and Military History Advisory Committee

Minutes 12 December 2018 and 6 February 2019

Attachment B: Darwin Cenotaph Exclusion Zone



# MINUTES BOMBING OF DARWIN & MILITARY HISTORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

2.00 - 3.00 pm, Wednesday 12 December 2018 Meeting Room 1, City of Darwin

#### 1. PRESENT

Alderman Andrew Arthur Acting Lord Mayor

Mr Stephen Gloster RSL

Mr Norm Cramp Darwin Military Museum Manager

Mr Michael Wells Department of Tourism and Culture, Director

Heritage Branch

Ms Meg Cotter Tourism NT Trade and Industry Marketing

Executive

Ms Meghan Bailey Department of Veterans' Affairs Deputy

Commissioner NT

Ms Sheree Jeeves City of Darwin Manager Engagement,

Participation & Events

Ms Polly Banks General Manager Community & Regulatory

Services Defence

WO Andrew Robertson

Ms Linda Fazldeen Defence NT, Director Community Engagement,

Department of Trade, Business and Innovation

Ms Kylie Salisbury Community Events Producer

Mrs Karen Long Executive Assistant

#### 2. APOLOGIES

The Hon Kon Vatskalis The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor

Mr Tony Simons Aviation Historical Society of the NT President

Major Peter Darlington Defence

Meeting opened at 2.01 pm and Acting Lord Mayor Andrew Arthur chaired the meeting

#### 3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA - Nil

#### 4. ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES 17 OCTOBER 2018

The minutes of the meeting of the 17 October 2018 were received as a true and accurate record.

Gloster/Jeeves, carried

#### 5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES 17 OCTOBER 2018 - Nil

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#### 6. GENERAL BUSINESS

#### 6.1 Bombing of Darwin Day 2019 Update – Kylie Salisbury

- Unveiling of plaque dedicated to Honour Two RAAF Hudson Bomber Squadrons Present during Bombing of Darwin confirmed – Monday 18 February, 4.30 pm at the Cenotaph.
- Lord Mayor Reception will follow the plaque unveiling and include veterans, survivors, evacuees and guests.
- City of Darwin has received a grant of \$35,000 from NT Major Events Company for Bombing of Darwin Day Commemorations.
- Darwin High School support with student for Ode.
- Chaplain confirmed.
- Initial planning meeting has been held with Defence.
- Vintage aircraft confirmed RAAF may be unable to provide a flyover as they are on deployment.
- Working with Inspire Solutions on the Territory Tribute's exciting program including an International Military Writers' Festival 5-7 April.
- Free live concert Overture to Peace to be held at twilight on Anzac Day Eve.

#### 6.2 Members' Update

#### **Meg Cotter**

Campaign for tourism packages for Territory Tribute's event program.

#### Stephen Gloster

- Elected as President Darwin RSL.
- Darwin Cenotaph renewal project.
- Update on status of building site and opening of Social Club.

#### **Norm Cramp**

- Working closely with Territory Tribute on the program of events.
- Elected as President of Royal Australian Artillery Association.
- No decision from the Federal Minister on ex-HMAS Darwin decommissioning options.

#### Michael Wells

- Will keep the Committee informed of ex-HMAS Darwin decommissioning options.
- 10 December was the 99<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1919 great air race at Ross Smith memorial.
- All works at the memorial now complete.
- 2019 Centenary Year of the Great Air Race.
- 5 February 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Goyder's landing.

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#### Meg Bailey

- Veterans' Affairs 100 Years of Anzac community events.
- Defence Veterans' Covenant Veteran Card and Veteran's Lapel Pin.
- Anzac Day Schools' Awards 2018 Presented award to Durack School.

#### Linda Fazldeen

- Report on Armistice Day 2018 tabled.
- Thank you to City of Darwin and Kylie for support.
- NT students and chaperones will visit France in 2019 for a study tour and attend Anzac Day commemorations.
- 2018 Chief Minister's Peace in the Pacific Study tour of Hawaii.
- Defence Community Organisation is hosting a Welcome to the Top End expo on 9 February.
- Chief Minister's welcome reception for newly posted Defence families to be held on 5 March.

#### **WO Andrew Robertson**

- Australia Day Flag Raising Ceremony 21 Gun Salute and RAAF Flyover.
- Bombing of Darwin Day Commemoration.
- Anzac Day

#### 7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS - Nil

#### 8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date: 6 February 2019

Time: 2.00 pm

Venue: Meeting Room 1

#### 9. MEETING CLOSED – 2.50 pm



# MINUTES BOMBING OF DARWIN & MILITARY HISTORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

2.00 - 3.00 pm, Wednesday 6 February 2019 Meeting Room 1, City of Darwin

#### 1. PRESENT

The Hon Kon Vatskalis Mr Stephen Gloster Mr Norm Cramp

Mr Michael Wells

Mr Michael Wells

Ms Meg Cotter

Ms Sheree Jeeves

Ms Polly Banks

The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor (Chair)

RSL

Darwin Military Museum Manager

Department of Tourism and Culture, Director

Heritage Branch

Tourism NT Trade and Industry Marketing

Executive

City of Darwin Manager Engagement,

Participation & Events

General Manager Community & Regulatory

Services

City of Darwin Staff

Ms Kylie Salisbury Mrs Karen Long

Community Events Producer

**Executive Assistant** 

**Invited Defence Representatives** 

Major Peter Darlington Major Andrew Richardson

#### 2. APOLOGIES

Alderman Andrew Arthur

Mr Glen Hingley

Ms Meghan Bailey

Mr Tony Simons

Tourism Top End

Department of Veterans' Affairs Deputy

Commissioner NT

nons Aviation Historical Society of the NT

President

Meeting opened at 2.10 pm and Polly Banks chaired the meeting until the Lord Mayor arrived at 2.14 pm

#### 3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA - Nil

#### 4. ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES 12 DECEMBER 2018

The minutes of the meeting of the 12 December were received as a true and accurate record.

Gloster/Cramp, carried

#### 5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES 12 DECEMBER 2018 - Nil

#### 6. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 6.1 Bombing of Darwin Day 2019 Update Kylie Salisbury
  - Final planning meeting held with Defence
  - Infrastructure underway at Bicentennial Park
  - Good response to invitations to the Unveiling of the plaque dedicated to Honour 2 RAAF Hudson Bomber Squadrons and the Commemorative Service
  - Guest Matt Hall Master Class Pilot in the Red Bull Air Race
  - National / radio cross and pre-recorded media to take place
  - Good response from Schools
- 6.2 Darwin Cenotaph, Bicentennial Park Event activities Sheree Jeeves

#### Background

- Darwin Cenotaph is an important memorial that commemorates Australian servicemen and women who have served in conflicts in which Australia has been involved.
- The Cenotaph is located adjacent to what was previously Darwin Oval. Now an open space
- This area has become a popular location for small events and recreational activities, both informal and organised
- The Darwin Branch of the RSL, in conjunction with City of Darwin hold major military events such as the upcoming Bombing of Darwin Commemoration and Anzac Day proceedings in this location.
- In 2015 Council endorsed an exclusion zone around the Cenotaph to ensure the symbolic and historical significance of the Cenotaph is respected by users of Bicentennial Park.
- The Council Decision does not specify the type and size of events and activities that Council supports being held at Bicentennial Park

   Area 1. However, the general understanding has been that only small events and recreation activities are supported for this space.
   This has been to maintain the respect and significance of the memorial area.
- Council is receiving more interest from event planners to hold larger events in this space.

This agenda item is to seek the views of the Bombing of Darwin and Military History Advisory Committee.

The Committee made the following recommendation following discussion of the item -

#### Recommendation

That the Bombing of Darwin and Military History Advisory Committee supports only low scale alcohol free events with minimal infrastructure for Bicentennial Park – Area 1. This is to ensure the area remains a respectful memorial space for community and visitors to reflect on Australian servicemen and women who have served in conflicts.

Lord Mayor/Goster, carried

#### 6.3 Members' Update

#### Stephen Gloser

- No further update on the building site and social club
- National Serviceman Association of Australia NT unveiling of the National Service plaque at the National Service Memorial Sundial Plinth, Bicentennial Park on the Esplanade at 10.30am, 14 February 2019.

#### Meg Cotter

- Turbo Charged Military Heritage Campaign launched by Minister for Tourism and Culture.
- Campaign dates February-June 2019
- The campaign includes digital direct, digital social, programmatic advertising
- Collateral produced includes NT Military map and online video
- Dedicated Military heritage page northernterritory.com/militaryheritage

#### Defence

- Thank you to City of Darwin and Kylie for a great Australia Day Ceremony and 21 Gun Salute
- Finalising plans for USS Peary, Bombing Darwin Day and Adelaide River Ecumenical Service
- Planning for Anzac will commence shortly
- Legacy

#### Michael Wells

 Possible affiliated events as part of the Territory Tribute program – an unveiling and handover ceremony.

#### 6.4 2019 Meeting Dates

Due to work schedule, Alderman Arthur is unable to attend meetings at 2.00 pm.

Action – A suitable day/time to be organised with Alderman Arthur.

#### 7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

#### 8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date: 10 April 2019 Time: 2.00 pm

Venue: Meeting Room 1

#### 9. MEETING CLOSED

## **ATTACHMENT B**

## **Exclusion Zone around Cenotaph**

(Up to 3m in front of the steps)



ENCL: 2ND ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING/OPEN AGENDA ITEM: 14.1.2

#### WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY CONSULTATION REPORT

REPORT No.: 19CE0063 MR:sj COMMON No.: 3360944 DATE: 26/02/2019

Presenter: Manager Engagement and Events, Sheree Jeeves

Approved: General Manager Government Relations and External Affairs,

Melissa Reiter

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to present the consultation report for the Waste Management Strategy.

#### **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**

5.3.4 Encourage community participation by engaging, communicating and working in partnership with the community

#### **KEY ISSUES**

- Significant work has been completed on the development of a Draft Waste Management Strategy (the Strategy).
- Council requested a consultation with the community on the Strategy work to date and to gain an understanding of appetite for change in the community.
- The consultation ran from 5 November to 16 December 2018 and was targeted at Darwin residents, ratepayers, businesses and stakeholders.
- Feedback was received through surveys, ideas forum, stakeholder briefings, social media, email, community stalls and written submissions.
- The feedback received will be used to inform the completion of the Waste Management Strategy and can be found in the consultation report at Attachment A.

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#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

A. THAT Report Number 19CE0063 MR:sj entitled Waste Management Strategy Consultation Report, be received and noted.

- B. THAT Council consider the feedback from stakeholders and community members, as contained within **Attachment A** to Report Number 19CE0063 MR:sj entitled Waste Management Strategy Consultation Report, and that it is used to inform the completion of the Waste Management Strategy.
- C. THAT upon completion of the Waste Manage Strategy it is communicated back to stakeholders and residents, with reference to the information gathered during the consultation process and how this guided the decisionmaking.

#### **BACKGROUND**

#### PREVIOUS DECISIONS

DECISION NO. 22\1164 (30/10/18)

#### Waste Management Strategy Consultation

- A. THAT Report Number 18CE0044 MR:sj entitled Waste Management Strategy Consultation, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the Waste Management Strategy Consultation Approach at **Attachment A** and Background Paper at **Attachment B** to Report Number 18CE0044 MR:sj entitled Waste Management Strategy Consultation.

#### **DISCUSSION**

A significant amount of work has been completed in the development of the Waste Management Strategy. This has included identification of waste management focus areas and proposed initiatives for implementation.

A Council Workshop was held on 9 April 2018 to update Council on the status of the Waste Management Strategy work and to determine next steps. Council requested a consultation with the community on the Strategy work to date and to gain an understanding of appetite for change in the community. The Strategy work was captured in a Waste Management Strategy Background Paper which formed the basis of the consultation.

A six week consultation was delivered from 5 November to 16 December 2018 and was targeted at Darwin residents, ratepayers, businesses and stakeholders. The goal of this consultation was to understand community and stakeholder attitudes towards waste management in the City of Darwin.

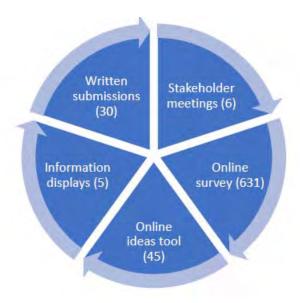
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The objectives of the consultation were to:

- Understand the appetite for change in the way waste is managed in the City of Darwin
- Get feedback on potential initiatives and ideas for the Waste Management Strategy
- Gather local insights on how to better manage waste into the future (new ideas).

There was a high level of engagement from community and businesses with feedback received through:



Key points from the consultation include:

- Recycling and reducing waste is an important priority to both residents and businesses across Darwin and there is a clear appetite for change.
- Misinformation and a lack of awareness around recycling practices is evident and impacting on recycling rates.
- Improved waste education was a strong recurring theme among residents and businesses.
- Appetite for change in waste practices was evident through:
  - There is support (78% residents, 84% businesses) for Council implementing landfill bans for recyclable materials at Shoal Bay Waste Management Facility (Shoal Bay).
  - The introduction of a limited access system to Shoal Bay was supported by a large number of respondents (61%), with this being preferred over a full user pays system (34%) or leaving access arrangements to Shoal Bay 'as is' (39%)
  - There were mixed views regarding bin services for residents. Whilst the most popular choice was a 3-bin collection service for just garden waste, some people pointed out that wheelie bins are not as effective with holding green waste as the garden bags.
  - Most respondents (77%) would be willing to pay to fund enhanced waste diversion programs, however how much varied between 5% to

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20% more. In contrast, many businesses said they would not be willing to pay more to fund waste diversion programs.

- Other Councils such as Palmerston and Litchfield are keen to work with City of Darwin on identifying waste solutions, with collaboration between Top End Council's and NTG being essential for success.
- In relation to the question of what would help people recycle more in Darwin, the strongest messages were as follows:
  - The yellow recycle bins fill up too quickly, leading people to put recyclables in the red general waste bin. There were suggestions to change to a smaller red bin and adjusting the collection cycles (i.e. collect the yellow bin weekly and the red bin fortnightly, or have a small red bin and collect both weekly).
  - Concerns about excessive packaging used by large businesses, particularly supermarkets, and encouraging Council to play a lobbying role to address this.
  - People would like to see more information and drop off points for soft plastics and e-waste across Darwin.
  - Concerns about increased illegal dumping if measures introduced make waste disposal difficult or confusing and are introduced without adequate education programs.

A significant amount of feedback and information has been received from the community and stakeholders. The strongest message from the consultation was that there is an appetite for change, and recycling and reducing waste is an important priority to both residents and businesses.

The feedback is contained in **Attachment A** and will be used by the Waste Management team to complete the Waste Management Strategy. Additionally, as the information captured provides community views and ideas on a broad range of strategic and operational matters, the feedback will provide a valuable tool for the Waste Management team on an ongoing basis for planning and decision making.

#### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

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

Executive Manager Waste and Capital Works

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

True North Strategic Communication

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

The outcome of this Strategy work will be two documents:

- City of Darwin Waste Management Policy,
- City of Darwin Waste Management Strategy and Implementation Plan.

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#### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

The cost of developing a Waste Management Strategy, including consultation, is in the order of \$100,000 (excl GST) and is funded within existing budgets.

#### RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The development of the Strategy will identify any risks or legislative requirements and these would be presented as necessary as the Strategy is developed.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

A Waste Management Strategy allows Council to plan for waste minimisation and diversion of waste from landfill. Improved recycling, waste diversion and reduced landfill are all benefits to the environment.

#### 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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MANAGER ENGAGEMENT AND

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<u>GENERAL MANAGER</u>

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**Attachments:** 

**Attachment A:** Waste Management Consultation Report

Attachment submitted electronically on the City of Darwin website:

https://www.darwin.nt.gov.au/sites/default/files/file/agendasminutes/attachments/19ce0063 attachment a waste consultation report.pdf ENCL: 2ND ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING/OPEN AGENDA ITEM: 14.1.3

#### **REQUEST FOR SUPPORT OF 2019 ARAFURA GAMES**

Presenter: Manager Marketing and Communications, Josie Matthiesson

Approved: General Manager Government Relations and External Affairs,

**Melissa Reiter** 

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to seek direction from Council around a request from the 2019 Arafura Games for support.

#### **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

2 Vibrant, Flexible and Tropical Lifestyle

#### Outcome

2.3 Increased sport, recreation and leisure experiences

#### **Key Strategies**

2.3.2 Position Darwin as a host centre for local, national and international sport and other events

#### **KEY ISSUES**

- NT Major Events have written to Council seeking support from City of Darwin to present the Arafura Games in Darwin from 26 April - 4 May 2019.
- The requested support includes both cash and in-kind costs.
- Council agreed to provide a range of in-kind support in August 2018 and has provided a coordination contact point.
- All support (cash and in-kind) is subject to availability of facilities, sites and resources (bookings are required).
- Additional support has been requested including some components that have a cash cost to Council.
- Council has been asked to cover the cost of installation & removal of street light banners, \$16,200 and Parap Pool venue hire, \$10,000.
- The total cost of requested cash support is \$26,200

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#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

A. THAT Report Number 19CE0060 JM:ph entitled Request For Support Of 2019 Arafura Games, be received and noted.

B. THAT Council supports NT Major Events for the 2019 Arafura Games with \$26,200 for the installation and removal of street light banners and the hire fees for Parap Pool in addition to the in-kind support agreed to.

#### OR

B. THAT Council supports NT Major Events for the 2019 Arafura Games with in-kind support agreed to only.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Arafura Games began as the Arafura Sports Festival in 1991. From 1998 it was known as the Arafura Games and was held every two years until 2011. After a hiatus, the games are returning in 2019 and will host 16 sports that range in tier from amateur through to sub-elite.

NT Major Events have written to the Chief Executive Officer (**Attachment A**) to request that City of Darwin provide support for the event through a range of cash and in-kind costs.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The support requests are listed below, with accompanying comments from officers.

Section	Request	
Venues	Parap Pool venue hire fee for Swimming NT is waived	Cash cost to Council (approx \$10,000)
	Bagot Oval venue hire for Football NT training is waived	Council is able to waive fees subject to availability and bookings being confirmed.
City Activation	Access to coloured feather flags, bunting and 'Vibrant Darwin' fence scrim for celebratory atmosphere in the city including installation and removal	available coloured flags, bunting for decoration, and
	Installation and removal of 120 street light pole banners	Installation and removal of these banners is a cash cost to Council. The fee is \$135/banner. Total cost for 120 banners to be installed is \$16,200.  Booking of the sites will be required.

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	Loan of Australian flags, City of Darwin flags and Aboriginal flags	Council is able to lend available flags
	Fee waiver for the Fun Bus program	Council is able to provide the Fun Bus free of charge subject to availability and bookings being confirmed.
	Potential for Fun in the Parks programs to be set up at the Waterfront during Games week	
City Operations	Fee waivers for street/road closure permits	Council able to support
	City beautification and enhanced cleaning	Council may be able to assist with enhanced cleaning, if there are specific requests
	Fee waivers for community banner sites	Council able to support
	Fee waiver of AWD access flooring	Council is able to lend subject to availability
	Fee waiver for hire of temporary staging	Council is able to lend subject to availability, small stage only
	Assistance with traffic management assessment	Council can do assessment of plans prior to issuing permits and waive the permit application fee.
	Permission to use select city car parks with fees waived during Games operational phase(2 weeks)	Council may be able to assist with carpark allocated as part of works permit if required
	Permission to use CBD bus stops for bus and fleet vehicle operations	Council unable to assist - NTG
	Signage to be installed at City Load Zones	Council can support subject to detailed requests being approved.
	Community consultation support and communication	Some limited communications support can be provided.
Program	Delivery of arts and culture city activation program	Council is yet to receive further information on this.

#### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

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

- Executive Manager Leisure and Regulatory Services
- Executive Manager Waste and Capital Works
- Event Logistics Coordinator

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

NT Major Events

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Sponsorship is when Council has an arrangement with an organisation or individual to support new or existing programs services, facilities or events which contribute to the quality of life for the Darwin community in return for specified benefits. The annual process in managed in line with Council's Policy No. 065 - *Sponsorship*: assessing sponsorship proposals against predetermined criteria which have been published in advance or are circulated to organisations that submit an expression of interest.

#### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

The annual sponsorship program opens in March and assessment of proposals goes to Council for consideration in April-May of the same year. The program for 2018/19 is fully expended and no contingency is available for one-off requests such as the one for the 2019 Arafura Games. Alternate funding sources will need to be identified.

The two requests (Parap Pool Venue Hire and street light banners) that Council could offer both have a cash cost to Council associated with them at a value of approximately \$26,000.

#### RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

In assessing arrangements, City of Darwin should ensure that sponsorship agreements do not impose or imply conditions that may limit, or appear to limit, Council's ability to carry out its functions fully. Local government councils are under an obligation to manage the financial and reputational risks associated with these activities.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

As per Decision No. 22\1252 all events held on Council land will not be permitted to use single use plastic items such as straws, takeaway containers, cutlery and cups.

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#### **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: Letter of Request from NT Major events regarding support of 2019

**Arafura Games** 



Scott Waters
Chief Executive Officer
City of Darwin
sent via email:

Dear Scott,

#### Request for City of Darwin support for 2019 Arafura Games

The Arafura Games will be returning to Darwin, 26 April -4 May 2019. We are expecting over 1,500 athletes from more than 30 nations to take part in the sixteen sports over the nine day event which will activate the CBD as well as the Marrara sporting precinct, Parap pool and the Sailing Club.

The success of the Games will rely on support across key Games Stakeholders, most importantly the City of Darwin.

We are really appreciative of the support the City has shown to date to work closely across Games operational requirements and now would like to see some specific value in kind support from City of Darwin:

#### **Venues**

- Parap Pool venue hire fee for Swimming NT is waived
- Bagot Oval venue hire for Football NT training is waived

#### City Activation

- Access to coloured feather flags, bunting and 'Vibrant Darwin' fence scrim for celebratory atmosphere in the city including installation and removal
- Installation and removal of 120 street light pole banners (NTMEC to provide street banners)
- Loan of Australian flags, City of Darwin flags and Aboriginal flags
- Fee waiver for Fun Bus program
- Potential for Fun in the Parks programs to be set up at the Waterfront during Games week

#### **City Operations**

- Fee waivers for street/road closure permits (number to be advised);
- City beautification and enhanced cleaning, specific requirements to be advised (use of bins, streets sweepers, rubbish vacuums, pressure washing etc.);
- Fee waivers for community banner sites such as Bagot Rd overpass, corner of Mc Millan and Bagot Roads;
- Fee waiver of AWD Access Flooring (limited to 6 rolls at 5m x 1.25m);
- Fee waiver of for hire of temporary staging;
- Assistance with traffic management assessment
- Permission to us selected city car parks with fees waived during Games Operational phase (2 weeks)

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- Permission to use CBD bus stops for bus and fleet vehicle operations;
- AG2019 signage installed at City Load Zones (locations to be confirmed potentially 3 required);
- Community Consultation support and communication if required.

I would also like to discuss the delivery of the Arts and Culture City Activation program. Currently there is a small budget for this and we have a very small team to deliver the Games with no-one dedicated to the Arts and Culture City Activation program. If City of Darwin are supportive I would like to propose we work together to enhance the available human and financial resources, potentially to co-fund a contract position to deliver this program.

Yours Sincerely,

Tim Watsford

General Manager, NT Major Events

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MARRARA SPORTING PRECINCT - REQUEST FOR COUNCIL TO PROVIDE PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS AND OTHER WORKS ALONG ABALA AND DANTE ROADS

REPORT No.: 19CO0056 DL:ks COMMON No.: 3919517 DATE: 26/02/2019

Presenter: Manager Design, Development and Projects, Drosso Lelekis

Approved: General Manager Engineering and City Services, Ron Grinsell

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide information to Council on a request from the Northern Territory Government for Council to undertake upgrading works along Abala and Dante Roads, Marrara and to seek Council's endorsement of allocating \$50,000 of projected savings from the 2018/19 Reseal Programme to install a pedestrian crossing and associated lighting in the vicinity of the basketball centre along Abala Road.

#### **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

2 Vibrant, Flexible and Tropical Lifestyle

#### **Outcome**

2.1 Improved access and connectivity

#### **Key Strategies**

2.1.3 Manage the road network to meet community needs

#### **KEY ISSUES**

- Abala and Dante Roads are currently under the care and control of the City of Darwin.
- The Northern Territory Government (NTG) has requested that Council consider implementing traffic-related improvements along Abala and Dante Roads, Marrara.
- The works emanate from a traffic study focussing on safety and improving traffic flow on the roads around the Marrara Sporting Complex.
- The Arafura Games will commence in late April 2019.
- The estimated cost of implementing the pedestrian crossing and associated lighting in the vicinity of the Abala Road basketball centre is \$50,000.
- No Council funding has been currently allocated for this project however, this funding may be sourced from projected 2018/19 Road Resurfacing and Renewal Programme savings.

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 City of Darwin and NTG officers are liaising to facilitate the implementation of a temporary crossing for use during the forthcoming Arafura Games.

 At the time of writing this report, no master plan that includes upgrading required to the surrounding road network to accommodate the potential development within the Marrara Sporting Precinct could be identified.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- A. THAT Report Number 19CO0056 DL:ks entitled Marrara Sporting Precinct Request for Council to Provide Pedestrian Crossings and Other Works along Abala and Dante Roads, be received and noted.
- B. THAT given the history of requests for a pedestrian crossing at this location, the significant observed volumes of pedestrian traffic crossing at this location and the forthcoming Arafura Games, Council allocate an amount of \$50,000 from projected savings in the implementation of the 2018/19 Road Resurfacing and Renewal Programme to provide a new pedestrian crossing and associated lighting in the vicinity of the basketball centre along Abala Road, Marrara.
- C. THAT the speed limit along Abala Road, Marrara be reduced from 50 km/hr to 40 km/hr.
- D. THAT Council write to the Northern Territory Government requesting that they fund and produce a master plan identifying potential development within the Marrara Sporting Precinct, including the upgrading works required on the surrounding road network (including street lighting) to accommodate the developments
- E. THAT Council write to the Northern Territory Government advising that as no Council funding currently exists for the technical/feasibility assessment and the implementation of other upgrade works requested, as outlined in Report Number 19CO0056 DL:ks entitled Marrara Sporting Precinct Request for Council to Provide Pedestrian Crossings and Other Works along Abala and Dante Roads, that these works can only proceed if they are part of the implementation of a future master plan for the area and the required funding is provided by the Northern Territory Government.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Abala and Dante Roads are currently under the care and control of the City of Darwin.

The NTG has requested that Council consider implementing pedestrian crossings and other traffic-related works along Abala and Dante Roads, Marrara.

No Council allocated funding currently exists for the works. However, there are projected savings within the 2018/19 Road Resurfacing and Renewal Programme

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that could be utilised to install a permanent crossing and associated works at one of the proposed locations.

The need for the upgrading works has been driven by increased development within the Marrara Sporting precinct.

#### **DISCUSSION**

In response to feedback received in the Northern Territory Government's (NTG) community consultation on the development proposals of Warren Park and the netball stadium at the Marrara Sporting Complex (the Complex), the NTG commissioned a traffic study focussing on safety and improving traffic flow on the roads around the Complex.

The key recommendations emanating from the traffic study included:

- Reducing the speed limit from 50 km/hr to 40 km/hr along Abala Road;
- Introducing pedestrian crossings at key locations;
- Improving lighting within the road reserves;
- Introducing single-lane roundabouts at two intersections; and
- Opening of Dante Road to one-way traffic.

The Minister for Tourism and Culture (the Minister) has written to Council requesting that Council consider implementing the above mentioned traffic-related works along Abala and Dante Roads, Marrara (**Attachment A**).

Although the Minister acknowledged that some of the recommended measures will be expensive to implement (e.g. roundabouts), they consider that lowering the speed limit and introduction of pedestrian crossings can be "implemented relatively quickly and at minimal costs and will alleviate identified safety concerns."

City of Darwin officers have reviewed the traffic study and its recommendations. However, more detailed technical/feasibility assessment and cost estimation are required for the non-crossing elements. This was requested of the NTG, however it was confirmed that they are unable to provide this information due to budget constraints and this work has not been undertaken.

The NTG's Northern Territory Major Events Company has also requested that new crossings be installed in the vicinity of the basketball centre (Location 1) and the tennis and football facilities (Location 3) prior to the Arafura Games in April 2019. They have requested that these crossings be either permanent or temporary, with a preference for the crossing at Location 3. Any crossings at both locations will require lighting. However, a permanent crossing at Location 3 will also require the installation of paths for connectivity.

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In order to address this site in time for the forthcoming Arafura Games, City of Darwin and NTG officers are currently working together to implement a temporary crossing and associated lighting at this location.

There have been a number of other previous requests for a crossing at Location 1 and significant observed pedestrian traffic volumes at this location. However, there is no record of previous requests for a crossing at Location 3 and this is likely to be a low-volume crossing area outside of the Arafura Games period.

As the upcoming Arafura Games (from 26 April to 4 May 2019) are fast approaching, a technical assessment of the recommended pedestrian crossings was undertaken by City of Darwin officers and found that these crossings will require the provision of associated lighting at the four proposed locations and also additional path connectivity at two of the locations (Locations 2 and 3). The approximate crossing locations are shown on the plan at **Attachment B**.

Given the above, it is recommended that Council utilise projected savings from 2018/19 Road Resurfacing and Renewal Programme to implement a new pedestrian crossing and associated lighting in the vicinity of the basketball centre along Abala Road, Marrara (Location 1), as soon as practicable and prior to the commencement of the 2019 Arafura Games. This is considered an appropriate response to addressing an identified safety concern within Council's road network.

As there is currently no funding available in either Council 2018/19 budget or identified in Council's Long Term Financial Plan for the other works identified, it is also recommended that Council write to the Northern Territory Government advising that as no Council funding currently exists for the technical/feasibility assessment and any implementation of the other upgrade works requested, these works cannot be implemented until funding is provided by the NTG.

The NTG undertakes traffic management along the roads within the sporting precinct during major sporting events. It is considered appropriate that the temporary crossing works requested by the Arafura Games organisers be part of the NTG's traffic management for the Games.

Previous traffic counts undertaken reveal traffic speeds of less than 40 Km/hr along Abala Road. The request to reduce the speed limit from 50 km/hr to 40 km/hr is therefore supported.

It may be considered that as the existing roads were designed to cater for the existing land uses at that time, any upgrading works required as the result of

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intensification of land use in the area should not fall within the sole responsibility of Council.

At the time of writing this report, no master plan that includes upgrading required to the surrounding road network to accommodate the potential development within the Marrara Sporting Precinct could be identified. It is recommended that Council write to the NTG requesting that such a master plan be developed.

#### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

This report was considered by the Executive Leadership Team on 21 January 2019 and now referred to Council for consideration.

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

- Acting Team Leader Design
- Civil Engineering Officer

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

- Department of Tourism and Culture
- Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics staff

City of Darwin and NTG officers are liaising to facilitate the implementation of a temporary crossing for use during the forthcoming Arafura Games.

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

None identified.

#### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

The estimated costs of implementing the pedestrian crossings and associated lighting and other works at the four locations proposed are:

Location 1: \$50,000;
Location 2: \$58,000
Location 3: \$73,000
Location 4: \$43,000

It is recommended that the pedestrian crossing and associated lighting at Location 1 be funded from projected savings in the 2018/19 Road Resurfacing and Renewal Programme budget.

The costs of reducing the speed limit from 50 km/hr to 40 km/hr along Abala Road can be accommodated within existing budgets.

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No Council funding currently exists to undertake the detailed technical assessments associated with and implementation of the other actions identified in this report.

The costs of implementing the temporary crossing and associated lighting at Location 3 (in the vicinity of the tennis and football facilities) will be essentially borne by the NTG, with only very minor works provided within Council's existing budget.

No Council funding currently exist to undertake a master plan for the area.

#### **RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

Council is responsible for the safety of its road network.

There have been a number of requests for a pedestrian crossing outside of the basketball centre in the recent past.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

The provision of the pedestrian crossings (and associated works) and other works outlined in this report would result in a safer road environment for all road users.

#### 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:** Letter from the Minister for Tourism and Culture requesting

Council's consideration to undertake upgrade works along Abala

and Dante Roads, Marrara

**Attachment B:** Plan showing Approximate Pedestrian Crossing Locations



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As a result of community consultation undertaken through the Northern Territory (NT) Government's "Have Your Say" process for the development of Warren Park and the netball stadium at the Marrara Sporting Complex, significant feedback was received around traffic issues at the Marrara Sporting Complex.

In response, my Department of Tourism and Culture commissioned SJ Traffic Consulting to undertake a traffic study, with the aim of improving traffic flow and safety around the Marrara Sporting Complex (Attachment A). As part of the process, consultation took place with a number of the tenants.

My Department has also discussed outcomes with the management of the City of Darwin.

The key recommendations of the report included the following:

- Reduction of the speed limit on Abala Road to 40 kilometres per hour;
- Introduction of pedestrian crossings at key locations;
- Improvement of lighting around the road reserve;
- · Single lane roundabouts at two intersections; and
- Opening of Dante Road for one way traffic.

My Department is undertaking a number of traffic improvements associated with the Warren Park and netball stadium developments, including the addition of 600 carparks and a redesign of entry/exit points to Abala Road from the Marrara Indoor Stadium and the netball stadium.



As Abala Road, Marrara, is a City of Darwin controlled and maintained road reserve, I ask that you consider implementing the above report recommendations. I understand that some of the recommendations require significant design and investment by your Council. However, lowering the speed limit and introducing pedestrian crossings could be implemented relatively quickly and at minimal cost and will alleviate identified safety concerns.

Please contact Mr Caleb Johnston, Director Assets Management, Department of Tourism and Culture, on telephone 8982 2310 or email <a href="mailto:caleb.johnston@nt.gov.au">caleb.johnston@nt.gov.au</a> for any further information regarding this matter.

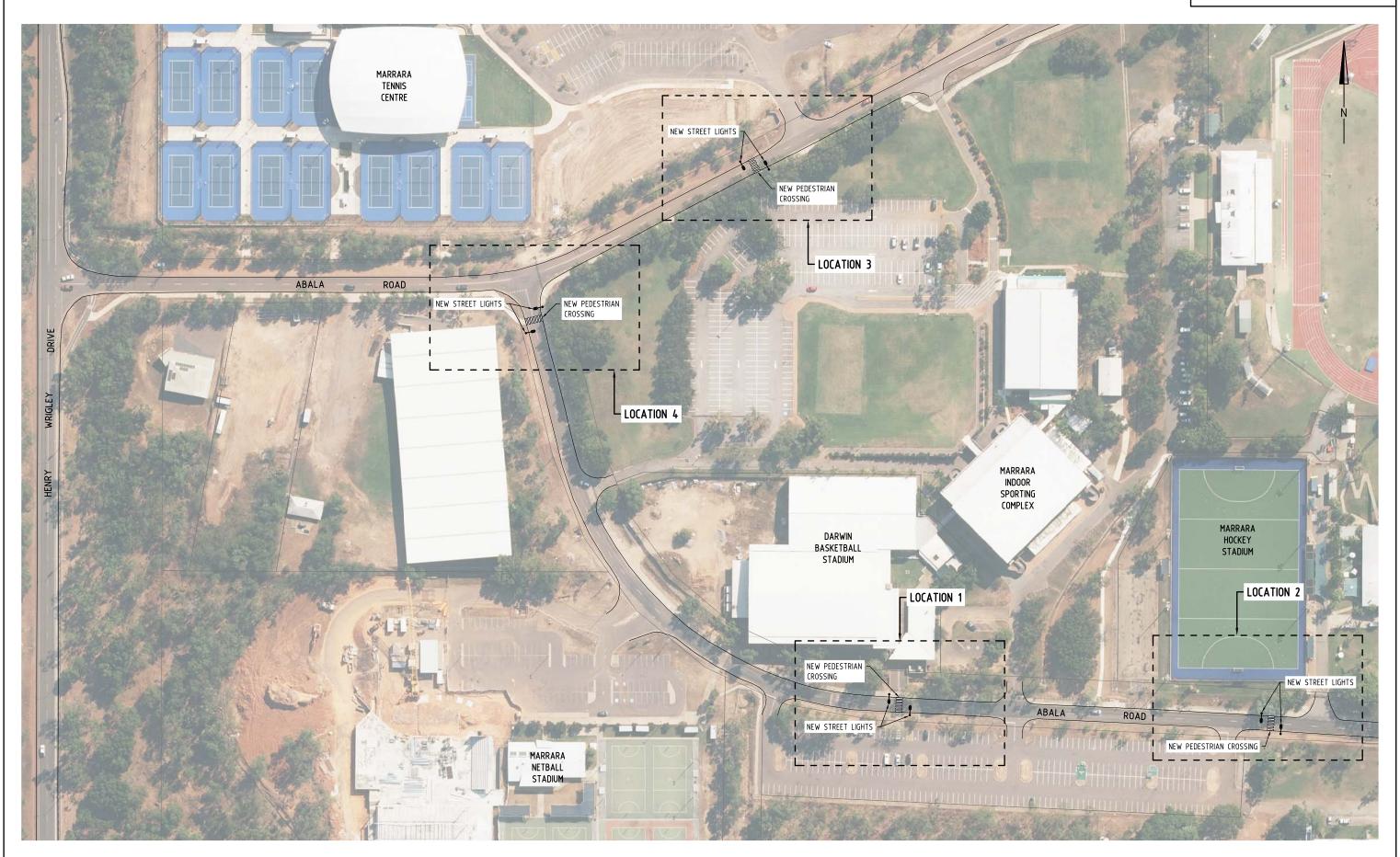
The NT Government thanks you for your continued partnership in developing sporting infrastructure throughout Darwin.

Yours sincerely

**LÄUREN MOSS** 

18/10/2018

### **ATTACHMENT B**



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PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS
LOCATION PLAN

DRAWING No. 5007/28/01 AMENDT. A



ENCL: 2ND ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING/OPEN AGENDA ITEM: 14.1.5

#### LISTING OF CHEQUES AND EFT PAYMENTS

REPORT No.: 19CP0143 RH:mc COMMON No.: 339125 DATE: 26/02/2019

Presenter: Manager Finance, Russell Holden

Approved: Acting Chief Executive Officer, Melissa Reiter

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to present a summary of Council payments made.

#### 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**

- Council annually spends approximately \$86 million on operating and capital expenditure to suppliers. Payments are made weekly. On average 2,000 invoices are processed per month.
- Council has a series of internal controls, procedures, and policies to manage and authorise expenditure. And mange invoice processing
- Authorisations levels are set as per Councils Financial Delegation schedule.
- There are multiple steps, (in excess of 15), from request through to payment for each invoice.
- There are various options available to report on payments made, two are highlighted in this report;
  - Listing of Cheque Report. Consolidates Creditors by Batch, per Month.
     This normally runs to around 15 pages per month.
  - Remittance Report. Details Invoices per Creditor. This report could run for 50-60 pages per month.
- Neither reports are perfect, requiring manual intervention and analytical review to complete.

REPORT NUMBER: 19CP0143 RH:mc

SUBJECT: LISTING OF CHEQUES AND EFT PAYMENTS

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

A. THAT Report Number 19CP0143 RH:mc entitled Listing of Cheques and EFT Payments, be received and noted.

B. THAT Council provide feedback to the Manager Finance on the level, detail and substance of reporting required to form the monthly financial reporting pack by Friday, 8 March 2019.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Listing of Cheques/EFT Payments report, covering June 2018, was last presented to the City Performance Committee in July 2018. Council consider this report to be an important element in being open and transparent regarding finances and have requested that it be presented to Council once more, back-dated to July 2018.

The Local Government (Accounting) Regulations sets out what must lay before a meeting of the Council, and the form approved. Council complies with this regulation.

#### PREVIOUS DECISIONS

DECISION NO.22\1310 (12/02/19)

#### **QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS**

#### **Listing of Cheques Report**

Common No. 339125

Member S J Niblock noted that there was a request from Council in December 2018 for the Listing of Cheques report to be presented to Council. The request was taken on notice but no report has come back. This report is considered to be an important element in being transparent.

The Chief Executive Officer responded and advised that this can be provided to Council in the interim (to next council meeting) while Council considers its committee review.

Member S J Niblock requested that this include the information previously provided to committees and that it be back-dated to when it ceased.

REPORT NUMBER: 19CP0143 RH:mc

SUBJECT: LISTING OF CHEQUES AND EFT PAYMENTS

DECISION NO.22\1263 (11/12/18)

#### **QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS**

#### Listing of Cheques Report

Common No. 339125

Member S J Niblock noted that the listing of cheques report used to be presented to the Council. Since the committees have been put on hold, this report has not come to council. Can it please be returned to the agenda, including retrospective information back to July 2018.

The Chief Operating Officer responded and advised that this can be reviewed.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The Local Government (Accounting) Regulations sets the form and items that must be laid before each Council on a monthly basis. Council is in compliance with this regulation. Such a report is contained in the agenda for this meeting.

Council is a large organisation with an annual turnover in excess of \$109 million and a net equity of \$1.035 billion. Council annually pays suppliers around \$86 million on operating and capital expenditure.

As would be expected Council has a series of internal controls, procedures, and policies to manage and authorise expenditure. The internal controls, and invoicing process is reviewed by external audit as part of the Annual Report audit. The most recent Management Report from Audit noted that the audit had not highlight any concerns or notes concerning Councils Internal Controls.

Council runs weekly payment runs, with, on average, 2,000 invoices processed each month. There are multiple initiation and authorisation paths, depending on amounts and levels of expenditure. There are multiple steps, (in excess of 15), from request through to payment for each invoice.

Councils Delegation Register controls the authorisation levels through the process.

In reporting expenditure, reliance is placed on the Internal Controls, and budget manager review, that payments are correct and recorded in the correct ledger. The ledgers form the basis of all financial reports to managers and Council alike.

Effort is placed on reviewing and analysing these monthly reports to ensure accuracy. The focus is comparing expenditure and income against budget, and forecasting the year end position.

The reporting of individual invoice or creditor payments does not provide this level of assurance available in the more high level reporting options available.

REPORT NUMBER: 19CP0143 RH:mc

SUBJECT: LISTING OF CHEQUES AND EFT PAYMENTS

In response to the request to provide a listing of payments, several options have been reviewed. Two options are presented in this report;

- Listing of Cheque Report. Consolidates Creditors by Batch, per Month.
   This normally runs to around 15 pages per month (Attachment A).
- Remittance Report. This report details invoices per Creditor, and could run for 50-60 pages per month (Attachment B).

Neither of these reports are perfect, often requiring manual intervention and analytical review to complete. The descriptions presented always relate to the most recent invoice, irrespective of amounts. As this can be confusing to readers, staff must review and make alterations before completing the report. In the interest of privacy, individuals' names are also redacted from the report before it can be released.

The financial reporting framework of Council is on a journey. New systems will provide staff with more capability to provide different options to budget managers, senior managers, and Council. As staff work through these changes and options, feedback from all stakeholders is sought in developing reports.

#### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

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

- Financial Accountant
- Payables Accountant

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

In Line with Council's information privacy requirement, all personal information of payments made to individual (both customers & staff) was redacted from the Cheques and EFT reports. These requirements have been mandated by both Council's Information Privacy Policy and the Information Privacy Principles of the NT Information Act.

#### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

This is dependent upon the option taken, and revolves around staff time.

#### RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The Listing of Cheques/EFT Payments were previously provided to Council under Confidential Items to address privacy concerns related to individual's details that may appear due to processing of payments. Council requested that improvements be provided to ensure the Listing of Cheque/EFT payment was moved back to the open portion of Council's business papers. Officers made changes to the Listing of Cheques/EFT Payments attachments to ensure privacy was maintained.

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SUBJECT: LISTING OF CHEQUES AND EFT PAYMENTS

#### **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.

## RUSSELL HOLDEN MANAGER FINANCE

MELISSA REITER ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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#### Attachments:

**Attachment A:** Listing of Cheque Report **Attachment B:** Remittance Report

These attachments were withdrawn administratively on 25 February 2019.

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#### **CITY OF DARWIN YOUTH CHARTER**

REPORT No.: 19CL0117 LB:lb COMMON No.: 3699628 DATE: 26/02/2019

Presenter: Coordinator Youth Programs, Lisa Burnett

Approved: General Manager Community and Regulatory Services,

**Polly Banks** 

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to seek Council endorsement of the City of Darwin Youth Charter.

#### **LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies of the City of Darwin 2012 – 2016 as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Towards 2020 Strategic Plan':-

#### Goal

5 Effective and Responsible Governance

#### Outcome

5.3 Good Governance

#### **Key Strategies**

5.3.4 Encourage community participation by engaging, communicating and working in partnership with the community

#### KEY ISSUES

- Development of a Youth Charter was identified in City of Darwin's Youth Strategy Young Darwin 2016-2021.
- Youth Services staff determined that it would be an appropriate project for the Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) to deliver.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- A. THAT Report Number 19CL0117 LB:lb entitled City of Darwin Youth Charter, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the City of Darwin Youth Charter at **Attachment A** to Report Number 19CL0117 entitled City of Darwin Youth Charter.

REPORT NUMBER: 19C0117 LB:lb

SUBJECT: CITY OF DARWIN YOUTH CHARTER

#### **BACKGROUND**

At the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ordinary Council meeting in May 2016 the following decision was made:

DECISION NO.21\4468 (31/05/16)

Young Darwin 2016 - 2021

Report No. 16C0048 RH:es (23/05/16) Common No. 1096115

- B. THAT Council endorse the draft Young Darwin 2016 2021 **Attachment A**, to Report Number 16C0048 RH:es entitled Young Darwin 2016 2021.
- C. THAT Council launch Young Darwin 2016 2021 in partnership with key stakeholders.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The following is an extract from *Connecting Young People in Local Communities – A Guide for the Development of a Local Government Youth Charter*, Municipal Association of Victoria, 2004.

"A local government Youth Charter identifies important fundamentals of participation and decision making in all areas of council activity and contributes to effective relationships with young people at a local level.

Adopting a Youth Charter is a visible way that Council can acknowledge the importance of young people and the unique contributions they make to the community. A charter displays Council's commitment to affirming young people as valued community members and engaging them in decisions that impact on their lives and their community.

. . .

A Youth Charter can act as a 'compass' – enabling councils to work more effectively with, and for young people. It encourages councils to put young people on the agenda and respond to their needs in council planning, policy, advocacy and service delivery activities."

Over the course of 2018 City of Darwin's Youth Advisory Committee has worked on creation of a Youth Charter for City of Darwin.

The Youth Charter provides a set of guiding principles to Council employees, elected members and the wider community and highlights Council's commitment to working with young people as valued community members.

The Charter includes four values and nine principles. The values outline Council's assumptions about who young people are and their capacity to contribute to community life, whilst the principles articulate our commitments when working with and providing services to young people.

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SUBJECT: CITY OF DARWIN YOUTH CHARTER

In developing the Youth Charter the Youth Advisory Committee reviewed a number of charters from local government areas across Australia. In particular, YAC gave a great deal of care and attention to crafting the language used in the final document and they should be commended for the clarity and strength of purpose shown in their work.

A local, young designer was engaged to design and layout the Charter.

#### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

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

- Manager Vibrant Communities
- Coordinator Youth Engagement
- Youth Events and Training Officer
- Youth Services Trainee

In preparing this report the following external parties were consulted:

City of Darwin Youth Advisory Committee members

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

The City of Darwin Youth Charter supports the Community Participation, Access and Inclusion Policy and Community Engagement Policy. It has also been developed in line with the Young Darwin 2016-2021 strategy:

https://www.darwin.nt.gov.au/sites/default/files/publications/attachments/young\_darwin - full\_version.pdf

#### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Costs for production of the Youth Charter have been managed within operational budgets.

#### RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The Young Darwin 2016-2021 strategy and any associated documents such as the Youth Charter ensure that Council compliments existing services and ensures that young people are consulted and serviced in a more coordinated manner. They also improve the community's understanding of key issues impacting young people and their contribution to community life in Darwin.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

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SUBJECT: CITY OF DARWIN YOUTH CHARTER

#### **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.

LISA BURNETT
COORDINATOR
YOUTH PROGRAMS

POLLY BANKS

<u>GENERAL MANAGER</u>

<u>COMMUNITY & REGULATORY</u>

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**Attachments:** 

**Attachment A:** City of Darwin Youth Charter

# CITY OF DARWIN YOUTH CHARTER

CITY OF DARWIN RECOGNISES YOUNG PEOPLE AS BEING AGED 12-25 DEVELOPED IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CITY OF DARWIN YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

## **VALUES**

## We understand that young people:

- take on many roles in their community,
- are individual and capable,
- are willing to share their ideas in the decision making process, and
- are willing to embrace opportunities and responsibilities.



## PRINCIPLES

#### We commit to:

- acknowledging and celebrating the diversity of young people and their unique passions, dreams and realities,
- ensuring that all young people are given the opportunity to participate where practical,
- creating opportunities with and for young people to have a say about what City of Darwin does and how we do it,
- supporting young people to take on roles addressing meaningful issues and influencing real outcomes,

- collaborating with young people to come up with better ways to do things,
- empowering young people through the development of life skills,
- exploring new ways of engaging with young people about what is happening within their community,
- promoting young people in the community in a positive light, and
- treating young people equitably.



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SOLAR SAVER PROGRAM

REPORT No.: 19C0119 SG:hd COMMON No.: 3868148 DATE: 26/02/2019

Presenter: Executive Manager Environment and Community,

**Shenagh Gamble** 

Approved: General Manager Community and Regulatory Services,

**Polly Banks** 

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide information on a Solar Savers program.

#### **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

3 Environmentally Sustainable City

#### **Outcome**

3.2 Darwin community's carbon footprint reduced

#### **Key Strategies**

3.3.3 Increased community understanding of climate change and environment issues and mitigation and adaptation actions

#### **KEY ISSUES**

- City of Darebin has set a community target of zero net greenhouse emissions by 2020 (i.e., zero greenhouse emissions from households in the Council area)
- City of Darebin has also created a "solar savers" program to enable pensioners and low income households to install rooftop solar
- Darwin has a low overall uptake of domestic rooftop solar, and this is attributed to the high proportion of rental properties
- Power and Water provides a cost-of-electricity concession to concession card holders
- The NTG has committed to 50% renewables by 2030 and has recently provided incentive schemes for energy efficiency and rooftop solar

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SUBJECT: SOLAR SAVER PROGRAM

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

A. THAT Report Number 19C0119 SG:hd entitled Solar Saver Program, be received and noted.

B. THAT Council advocate for better provision of rooftop solar incentives by the Northern Territory Government, including innovation on the provision of the Northern Territory Concession Scheme and NT Seniors Recognition Scheme to incentivise energy efficiency and rooftop solar, and the provision of rooftop solar on public housing stock.

#### **BACKGROUND**

At the Council Ordinary meeting held on 31 July 2018 the following was resolved -

DECISION NO.22\1002 (31/07/18)

#### Solar Saver Program

Member A Arthur provided information around the Darebin Council Solar Saver program and proposed it as an idea for City of Darwin.

THAT Council investigate the possibility of introducing a solar saver program in Darwin.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The City of Darebin in Victoria is the first Council to declare by resolution a "Climate Emergency", shifting the focus of climate action from a 'carbon accounting' process to 'emergency response' mode. Council has targets of zero greenhouse gas emissions from its own operations (corporate emissions) and from households and businesses (community emissions).

City of Darebin Council is facilitating rooftop solar uptake in the community to reduce community carbon emissions. To date, the Solar Saver program helped install solar systems for approximately 500 pensioners and low-income households. The next rounds of the program are aiming for 2000 households. Between Solar Saver and an equivalent program aimed at businesses, 1800kW of solar PV has been installed and an equivalent of more than 11,000 tonnes of emissions avoided. The targeting of low-income households was well received by the community. The Solar Saver model is now being pursued in South Australia, the ACT and by many local government councils in Victoria.

#### Key Points of Solar Savers

- Council purchases the solar system and the ratepayer repays the system interest free over 10 years through a special rates levy
- 10 year warranties are included on the systems
- 3kW system (around 11 panels) cost around \$5,000
- City of Darebin have committed to doubling solar over the next five years

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 Targets pensioners and low income households because this demographic is likely to be at home during the day when solar energy is generated so it gets the best payback

- These demographics are also at risk from high energy costs and health impacts of not using heating and cooling options.
- Works best for owner occupiers (due to split incentive)
- A split incentive occurs when a house is rented or leased. Capital improvements that make operational savings benefit the tenant but cost the landlord

#### Key Points of a Solar Bulk Buy Program

- Open to households, businesses and organisations
- Option to buy a quality solar system from a trusted supplier at a good price, with good warranties
- Beneficiary pays upfront (or arranges own loan), but gains the benefits of extended warranties, reliability and quality and discounted price

Note that the administration and accounting of both of the above schemes is considerable and would not be achieved within existing staff resources. Council would be required to consider the appointment of a community solar officer to manage this discrete program.

#### Relevance to City of Darwin

City of Darwin does not have a target for community carbon emissions. The Northern Territory Government has a target of 50% of energy from renewables by 2030. The creation of a community emission (or renewables) target puts the onus on the NTG to support the community in achieving this target.

In Darwin, 40% of occupancy is renters. Rental properties are difficult to engage in a rooftop solar incentive program due to the "split incentive" between the owner and the occupier. Whilst it is possible to overcome the split incentive through rental conditions, this is a private commercial arrangement and there is no role for Council.

Power and Water Corporation offers the country's most generous feed-in tariff at a rate of one-to-one, which means if users put as much solar energy back into the power grid as they used for their personal consumption, their bill would be zero. This also means that consumers can effectively (for now) earn money from their solar generation if their consumption is less than their generation.

The new Northern Territory Concession Scheme provides up to \$1,200 electricity concession to low income households. The NT Seniors Recognition Scheme can be used to pay up to \$500 for electricity and water bills. Payments under these schemes cannot be used to pay for rooftop solar or other energy-reducing measures.

The high proportion of rental properties and public housing in Darwin, the generous feed in tariff and the provision of cost-of-living subsidies all suggest that City of Darwin would not deliver good value to the community through a solar savers program. It is instead recommended that City of Darwin advocate for better provision of rooftop solar incentives by the Northern Territory Government, including

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innovation on the provision of the Northern Territory Concession Scheme and NT Seniors Recognition Scheme to incentivise energy efficiency and rooftop solar, and the provision of rooftop solar on public housing stock.

#### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

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

- Executive Manager Finance
- Project Officer Capital Works

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

- City of Darebin Council
- Country Solar NT

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

The Climate Change Action Plan states that we will advocate to relevant authorities the potential for reward schemes or incentives for residents who implement measurable power conservation initiatives.

#### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

The administration and accounting of a Solar Savers type scheme is considerable and would not be achieved within existing staff resources. Council would be required to consider the appointment of a community solar officer to manage this discrete program.

Financial cost to council will be in the set up and administration of the scheme. Ultimately users of the scheme will pay back the cost of the solar system; however there will remain a residual cost due to the upfront purchase and provision of an interest free loan.

#### RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Climate change is a real and present risk to Council and the community. Whilst the Solar Saver program is not recommended at this time, this should not minimise Council's efforts to advocate for better support for households from the Territory Government.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Reducing carbon emissions from the community is desirable to reduce the impacts of climate change.

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#### **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.

SHENAGH GAMBLE
EXECUTIVE MANAGER
ENVIRONMENT AND
COMMUNITY

POLLY BANKS

<u>GENERAL MANAGER</u>

<u>COMMUNITY AND REGULATORY</u>

<u>SERVICES</u>

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## MINUTES ACCESS AND INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING - 5 FEBRUARY 2019

REPORT No.: 19C0113 LA:es COMMON No.: 3976174 DATE: 26/02/2019

Presenter: Community Development Officer, Lynn Allan

Approved: General Manager Community and Regulatory Services, Polly

**Banks** 

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to present the minutes of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee meeting held on 5 February 2019 and recommend to Council the appointment of Debbie Bampton as Chair and Susan Burns as Deputy Chair of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee until 30 June 2019.

#### **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

1.1 Community inclusion supported

#### **Key Strategies**

1.1.1 Develop and support programs, services and facilities, and provide information that promotes community spirit, engagement, cohesion and safety.

#### **KEY ISSUES**

- The minutes of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee meeting held on 5 February 2019 are provided in **Attachment A**.
- Debbie Bampton was recommended for appointment as Chair and Susan Burns as Deputy Chair of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee until 30 June 2019. The majority of appointments to the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee cease at 30 June 2019.
- The Committee supported the recommendation that the Access and Inclusion Plan (2019-2022) be endorsed by Council (to be provided as a separate report in March).
- The Committee reviewed meeting dates and recommended a new meeting schedule for 2019.

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SUBJECT: MINUTES ACCESS AND INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

- 5 FEBRUARY 2019

 The Committee supports the utilisation of \$23,000 of the overall Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee budget being allocated towards works on the provision of a Fannie Bay disabled parking bay.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- A. THAT Report Number 19C0113 LA:es entitled Minutes Access And Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting 5 February 2019, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Pursuant to Section 54 of the Local Government Act, Council appoint Debbie Bampton as Chair and Susan Burns as Deputy Chair of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee until 30 June 2019.

#### **BACKGROUND**

DECISION NO.22\1082 (11/09/18)

## <u>Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Appointments 1 October 2018 to 30 June 2020</u>

Report No. 18CL0083 TS:es (11/09/18) Common No. 3845697

- B. THAT Council appoint the following community representatives as members of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee in accordance with the Local Government Act, for a period commencing 1 October 2018 to 30 June 2019:
  - i) Ms Debbie Bampton
  - ii) Ms Lynne Strathie
  - iii) Ms Cassandra Jevdenijevic

Council's decision was to appoint all three Committee members until 30 June 2019 (not 30 June 2020, as recommended in the report).

#### **DISCUSSION**

The Minutes of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee meeting held on 5 February 2019 are provided in **Attachment A**.

#### Appointment of Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson

Debbie Bampton was nominated as Chair, and Susan Burns as Deputy Chair:

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SUBJECT: MINUTES ACCESS AND INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

- 5 FEBRUARY 2019

NAME	AREA OF EXPERIENCE/EXPERTISE		
Ms Debbie Bampton Seeking appointment as Chair	Debbie has over 17 years' experience working with people with disability, including her current role as a general manager at Somerville Community Services Inc. Debbie is highly active within the NT's disability sector and has sound knowledge of issues impacting people with disability and the NDIS. Debbie has served as Chairperson of the Committee for the past two terms and brings great passion to the role.		
Ms Susan Burns Seeking appointment as Deputy Chair	Susan is a Specialist Representative on the Committee from the National Disability Services NT. She has over ten years' experience as an industry specialist working in public policy and community service delivery. Susan has been a Committee Member since July 2018, has experience serving as Chairperson of the Disability Advocacy Service, and brings a wealth of knowledge to the role.		

It is recommended that Debbie be appointed as Chair and Susan as Deputy Chair to the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee until 30 June 2019. The majority of appointments to the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee cease at 30 June 2019, including Debbie.

#### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

In preparing this report, the following external parties were consulted:

Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee.

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

The Chair and Deputy Chair provide leadership to the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee, assisting Council to meet its strategic goals of creating a more accessible and inclusive community.

City of Darwin Policy No. 008 - Community Participation, Access and Inclusion.

#### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

The Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee has a discretionary budget of \$55,000 this financial year. The Committee supported an allocation of \$23,000 of the budget towards works on a Fannie Bay disabled parking bay. The amount of \$23,000 is to be spent on a Fannie Bay disabled parking bay and brings the total amount spent this year to \$33,500.

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#### RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee is established pursuant to Section 54 of the Local Government Act.

#### **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.

LYNN ALLAN
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
OFFICER

POLLY BANKS

<u>GENERAL MANAGER</u>

<u>COMMUNITY AND REGULATORY</u>

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#### **Attachments:**

Attachment A: Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Minutes 5 February

2019



## MINUTES ACCESS & INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE Tuesday 5 February 2019 1.30pm - 3.00pm

Casuarina Library Meeting Room, Bradshaw Terrace

#### 1. PRESENT

**Members** 

Lynne Strathie Community Representative Liz Reid Community Representative

Susan Burns Specialist Representative, National Disability

Services NT

Bernie Ingram Specialist Representative, NTG Passenger Transport Sheree Scott Specialist Representative, NTG Building Services

Advisory

Deborah Bampton Community Representative

Alderman Peter Pangquee City of Darwin

**City of Darwin Staff** 

Polly Banks General Manager Community and Regulatory

Services

Shenagh Gamble Executive Manager Environment and Community

Lynn Allan Community Development Officer

Tania Sellers Family and Children's Services Coordinator
Alison Pattison Diversity and Inclusion Senior Advisor

#### 2. NOMINATION OF NEW CHAIR AND DEPUTY CHAIR

Nomination of Debbie Bampton as Chair

Moved: Liz Second: Bernie

Nomination of Susan as Deputy

Moved: Bernie Second: Liz

Carried

#### 3. APOLOGIES

Alderman Emma Young City of Darwin (Alternate)

Sue Shearer Specialist Representative, COTA NT

Ron Quinn City of Darwin Manager Infrastructure Maintenance

Cassandra Jevdenijevic Community Representative Kyle Adams Community Representative Nathan Alum Community Representative

Apologies noted and quorum reached at six members. Meeting chaired by Debbie Bampton.

#### 4. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS

Debbie moved the Committee establish a Standard Register of Interests for all members to be attached to the minutes. This will include for example, identifying the paid positions we have or the roles we hold on other committees.

Moved: Debbie

Second: Ald Pangquee

Carried.

ACTION	Members to email Lynn with any COI for collation.
ACTION	Debbie to provide proforma for Standard Register of Interests

#### 5. ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes from 26 September, 2018 meeting were received and noted.

Moved: Liz Second: Bernie

Carried

#### 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- 6.1 Signage code: Tania Sellers explained report is going to Council. Liz Reid requested a synopsis and overview of the report.
- 6.2 Debbie Bampton raised WCP3 capacity trial. Lynn advised this has been included as an action within the new Action and Inclusion Plan (AIP). Website capability to be considered in the new budget.
- 6.3 Lynne Strathie discussed budget and prioritising issues within the AIP for upgrading footpaths and driveways. Debbie Bampton raised budget's purpose is for quick fixes for individuals on Council land, though because it's not widely known, the budget often doesn't get used.
- 6.4 Susan Burns is keen to continue discussions on beach access and advised NT Events is investigating beach access for people using wheelchairs and other mobility equipment, with research underway on a fibre structure that can be used on beaches.

ACTION	Tania to source signage code report for Lynn to pass on to Committee.
ACTION	Lynn to get clarification on budget purpose and use to share at next meeting.
ACTION	Susan Burns to send through research on beach access to Committee.

#### **7 GENERAL BUSINESS**

- 7.1 Welcome and comments from General Manager Community and Regulatory Services, Polly Banks.
  - Although there has been significant change to staffing at senior management level, there is a breadth of experience at the executive level.

- With Council events moving to another department, Debbie Bampton questioned the impact on DiversAbility Collective events. Lynn will work closely with this team on events.
- Liz Reid requested a copy of the new organisational structure.
- Alderman Peter Pangquee agreed that the changes within Council signals an exciting time for Council.
- Angela Pattison explained her new role as Diversity and Inclusion Senior Advisor at Council.

ACTION	Lynn to email organisational chart and team structure to
	Committee.

#### 7.2 Access and Inclusion Plan:

- Debbie Bampton questioned what working documents will be used to support the AIP. Shenagh Gamble commented on the alignment to strategic plans, for example the business planning currently underway. Liz Reid noted the importance of measurables.
- Debbie Bampton advised consultation on AIP has happened, so no need for further public consultation before seeking final Council approval.
- Alderman Pangquee advised the background and consultation report should also be included when taken to Council.
- Debbie Bampton moved for AIP to be taken to Council as is, seconded by Liz Reid, carried. Lynn advised that some minor editing changes need to be made first.

ACTION	Lynn to ensure Acting Manager Engineering and City
	Services (Nik Kleine) is incorporating AIP into the capital
	works budget. Compile report seeking approval on AIP for
	next Council meeting.

#### 7.3 Review day and dates of AIAC meetings:

- Debbie Bampton moved to change the day of the meetings to Tuesday, so that Kyle Adams, our youth and person with lived experience representative can attend. Committee agreed upon first Tuesday of the month at 1.30pm.
- Debbie Bampton moved the Committee meet again next month, to make up for a shortage of meetings over the past few months.

ACTION	Lynn to check room availability with Library and send	
	schedule of meetings to Committee, along with calendar	
	invitations (with an alert of one hour).	

#### 7.4 AIAC budget:

• Lynn sought Committee approval for \$23,000 of budget to be allocated to the Fannie Bay parking bay, upon advice that public consultation has been done.

Moved: Deb Second: Bernie

Carried

• \$21,500 remains in budget to be spent before end of financial year. Proposals sought. Bernie Ingram suggested playground infrastructure upgrades. Shenagh Gamble advised that projects need to fit within budget timeline, i.e. works should be well underway by end of financial year.

ACTION	Lynn to advise Nik so that programming for the Fannie Bay works can commence.
ACTION	Lynn to check on status of playground upgrades with Nik.

#### 7.5 DiversAbility Collective:

- Debbie Bampton suggested we go back to the sector to revive group and its objectives/ initiatives. Somerville will host the Say Hi to the Dry at Lake Alexander on Saturday 27 April. DSNT will also hold 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary gala celebrations on 22 March – Committee to help promote more broadly.
- Liz Reid raised purpose behind group is to embed inclusivity into everything we do, with our obligations under the Disability Services Act, and subordinate legislation around building access.
- Polly Banks raised opportunities for collaboration with ongoing Council programs such as the Fun Bus and Storytime.
- Debbie Bampton discussed work done five years ago on an access and inclusion checklist for all Council events; Joe from Access Inclusion can provide copies of event inclusion guide.

ACTION	Debbie and Lynn to reach out to the wider DiversAbility Collective group to kick start programming for the year.	
ACTION	Lynn to source event guide.	

#### **8 MEMBERS UPDATE**

- **Shenagh Gamble:** A \$10,000 grant was given to Bar Brothers under Council's Community Grants Program, auspiced by Total Recreation for installation of inclusive outdoor gym equipment at East Point Reserve.
- **Bernie Ingram:** Taxi subsidies scheme consultation report to go to Government; will keep Committee in the loop.
- **Sheree Scott:** New construction code commences in May, with a new provision on adult change facilities.
- Debbie Bampton: Rectification of access and inclusion issues at Parap Pool, i.e. adult change facilities and colour of paint on walls and poles. NDIS comes online for national quality framework on 1 July.
- Lynne Strathie: Will give a paper on carers at the National Rural Health Conference in Hobart in March, will report back to Committee.

ACTION	Lynn to check on status of Parap Pool rectifications with Nik.

#### 9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Nil.

#### **10 NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 5 March, 2019

All meetings are from 1.30pm to 3.00pm at the Casuarina Library Meeting Room. Apologies for next meeting from Sheree Scott and Bernie Ingram.

#### 11 MEETING CLOSED

2.51pm

## **Summary of Actions**

Meeting Date	Item	Status
05/02/2019	4. Register of Conflicts of Interest	Members to email Lynn with any COI.
05/02/2019	6. Signage Codes	Tania Sellers to source signage code report for Lynn to pass on to Committee.
05/02/2019	6. AIAC Budget	Lynn to get clarification on budget purpose and use to share at next meeting.
05/02/2019	6. Beach Access	Susan Burns to send through research on beach access to Committee.
05/02/2019	7.1 Council Structure	Lynn to email organisational chart and team structure to Committee.
05/02/2019	7.2 AIP	Lynn to ensure Nik is incorporating AIP into the capital works budget and compile report seeking approval on AIP for next Council meeting.
05/02/2019	7.3 Schedule of AIAC Meetings	Lynn to check room availability with Library and send schedule of meetings to Committee, along with calendar invitations (with an alert of one hour).
05/02/2019	7.4 AIAC Budget: Fannie Bay Parking Bay	Lynn to advise Nik so that programming for the Fannie Bay works can commence.
05/02/2019	7.4 AIAC Budget: Playground upgrades	Lynn to check on status of playground upgrades with Nik.
05/02/2019	7.5 DiversAbility Collective	Debbie and Lynn to reach out to the wider DiversAbility Collective group to kick start programming for the year.
05/02/2019	8 Access and Inclusion at Parap Pool	Lynn to check on status of Parap Pool rectifications with Nik.
05/02/2019	7.5 Access and Inclusion Event Guide	Lynn to source event guide.
25/07/2018	5.1 PDF Version of Community Services Directory	Still to be followed up with Council's Media Team to see if Council's website is WCP3 capability. Check if an audio version of the directory is available.
25/07/2018	5.2 Accessible parking at Botanic Gardens	Deb and Susan to draft a letter to Brian Harty of NTG on the current status of the Botanic Gardens pathway.
23/05/2018	5.4 Cavenagh Street accessibility	Ongoing.

ENCL: 2ND ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING/OPEN AGENDA ITEM: 14.1.9

#### **CENTRAL DARWIN AREA PLAN - DRAFT**

REPORT No.: 18CF0106 CR:hd COMMON No.: 2196435 DATE: 26/02/2019

**Presenter: Manager City Planning, Cindy Robson** 

Approved: General Manager Innovation, Growth & Development Services,

Joshua Sattler

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to refer to Council for comment City of Darwin's submission, **Attachment A**, to Stage 2 of public consultation for the Draft Central Darwin Area Plan, **Attachment B**.

#### 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 Northern Territory Planning Commission is developing the Central Darwin Area Plan with three stages of public consultation.
- Stage One occurred from 24 October to 24 November 2017, and included the release of a discussion paper on the Central Darwin Area.
- Stage Two is open for feedback from 1 December 2018 to 22 February 2019.
- The Draft Central Darwin Area Plan includes planning principles to guide development within the Central Darwin Area.
- The Draft Area Plan seeks feedback on options for the 'Old Hospital and Myilly Terrace' and 'Former Tank Farm' focus areas.
- There are no proposed development concepts within the document and subsequently City of Darwin and 'City Deals' projects are unlikely to be affected.
- Consultation within Stage 1 of the Central Darwin Area Plan suggests that additional work in the area of movement and transport, and social infrastructure is still needed.

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 Open space provision and quality of open spaces to increase comparative to density

- City of Darwin is working on projects to actively increase tree canopy cover in the City.
- Potential to develop a range of recreation loops to cater for various capabilities
- Interim uses could be considered on underutilised sites, including pop-ups, parklets and other managed uses to activate sites.

# **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- A. THAT Report Number 18CF0106 CR:hd entitled Central Darwin Area Plan Draft be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the draft submission to the Planning Commission dated 27 February 2019, within **Attachment A** to Report Number 18CF0106 CR:hd entitled Central Darwin Area Plan Draft.

# **BACKGROUND**

In mid-2014, a Project Control Group was formed to prepare background studies for area plans within the City of Darwin municipality. The Inner Suburbs Area Plan and the Mid Suburbs Area Plan were released in 2016. The Project Control Group members include the Department of Lands, Planning and the Environment (DLPE), Department of Transport (DoT), Power and Water Corporation (P&W) and City of Darwin. The Project Control Group is chaired by DLPE and now the Planning Commission.

In July 2016, the Planning Scheme was amended to include both the Inner and Middle Suburbs Area Plans as policy documents referenced under Clause 2.7 of the Northern Territory Planning Scheme. The Central Darwin Area Plan, is now being developed and is being exhibited over three stages.



This response is incorporated in Stage 2 as highlighted above.

Stage One of community consultation occurred between 24 October and 24 November 2017 with the release of a discussion paper to encourage feedback.

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City of Darwin's comments for Stage 1 consultation were endorsed in November 2017, as per the below Council decision:

DECISION NO.22\0279 (28/11/17)

# Central Darwin Area Plan - Discussion Paper

Common No. 2196435

- A. THAT Report Number 17CF0035 CR:hd entitled Central Darwin Area Plan Discussion Paper, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the draft submission, dated 29 November 2017, to the Planning Commission, within **Attachment B** to Report Number 17CF0035 CR:hd entitled Central Darwin Area Plan Discussion Paper, as amended to include reference to:
  - The need for a pedestrian and bike connectivity plan within the CDAP, particularly identifying key linkages. One of these linkages should be Cavenagh Street as the access spine across the city noting the opportunity that cooling and greening initiatives will bring to make it a priority pedestrian connection.
  - The CDAP needs to highlight the place making building design criteria and outcomes we want to promote in the city area. This intention and identification will have flow on effects and result in positive changes to the Land use and Zone codes to enable this to occur and be enforced.
  - The CDAP needs to have a significant vistas type overlay. It needs to consider a range of visual amenity aspects including the impact of building heights on the esplanade and significant view vistas across the city.
  - Responses to the questions posed by the discussion paper.
  - Consideration of the effects of climate change, emphasising sea level rise.
  - Consideration around coastal planning and Darwin Harbour
- C. THAT Council request that the NT Planning Commission conduct a workshop with Elected Members as part of the next step of consultation to ensure Elected Members can provide direct feedback on the Central Darwin Area Plan concepts.

Dr David Ritchie, Chairman of the Northern Territory Planning Commission, briefed the Council on the progress of Stage 2 of the Central Darwin Area Plan at the Ordinary Council meeting held on 25 September 2018.

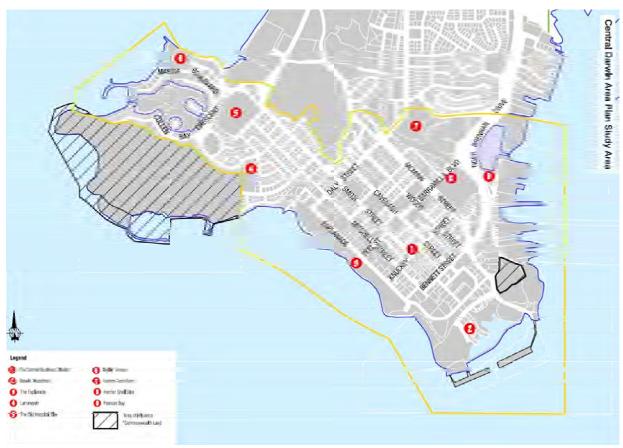
Stage Two is now open for feedback from 1 December 2018 to 22 February 2019 with a Draft Central Darwin Area Plan, and associated Draft Needs Assessment available for comment.

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# **DISCUSSION**

The Central Darwin Area Plan (Area Plan) encompasses the area from Cullen Bay to the Darwin Waterfront, and as far north as the largely undeveloped, Tank Farm area located between the old rail corridor and Stuart Park.



Central Darwin Area Plan – Study Area

Previous area plans created within the City of Darwin municipality incorporated two parts; Part 1 includes the Vision and Goals, and Part 2 refers to a series of themes. Within the themes are Planning Principles and Concepts, with each having corresponding objectives and acceptable responses.

The Draft Area Plan format is consistent with previous area plans with the following exceptions:

- Part 1 includes the additional sub-headings of Context, Purpose and Plan Structure. However, it does not present any definitive goals.
- Part 2 does not include any concepts.
- Part 3: Focus Areas has been added to address specific locations.

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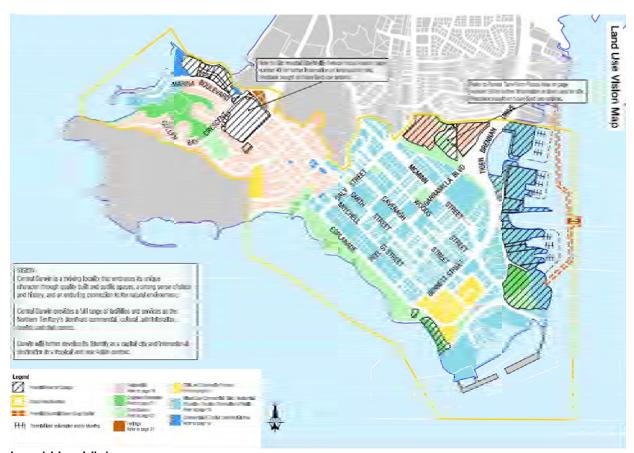
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 Two of the focus areas appear to be undecided, and the Draft Central Darwin explicitly requests input via submission.

The change in format suggests that this area plan will only provide guidance through planning principles and broad focus areas, rather than specific detailed concepts.

#### Content

Part 1 provides an introduction to the Area Plan and outlines how the plan works within existing planning framework. It also establishes the overall land use vision, which can be seen below. Areas for potential change are hatched and discussed further within the Draft Area Plan.



Land Use Vision

Part 2 is divided into seven themes, the themes include:

#### Residential

"This Area Plan encourages an increased diversity of housing options with high levels of function and amenity that accommodate a greater variety of households."

To suitably cater for expected future student populations and retain housing options for lower income households as older housing sites redevelop in the City, there will likely be the need to establish specific provisions to enable diverse, affordable and social housing. This could be achieved through a range of mechanisms, including

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more flexible residential controls in the Northern Territory Planning Scheme, contribution schemes and the establishment of specific housing companies.

# **Mixed Use Development**

"This Area Plan encourages diverse development and uses to ensure that mixed use environments are robust, flexible, and responsive to economic and social change."

#### **Social Infrastructure**

"This Area Plan seeks to guide the delivery of adequate community facilities to support the anticipated growth in resident, worker, and visitor populations." However, this area plan will not directly respond to any lack of social infrastructure.

While the Draft Area Plan indicates the need for a district level multipurpose community centre and an indoor sports centre, as well increased education and childcare facilities in the city centre, it shows a notable decrease in open space provision from the Darwin City Centre Master Plan. The Master Plan nominated a large 'Central Park', centred around One Mile Dam. The draft Area Plan indicates a reduced open space area, that functions mainly as a pedestrian priority area and linkage, rather than a substantial parkland area as previously planned.

It is considered that both the quality and quantity of open space should increase proportionate to any density increases in the City Centre.

A brief review of the current zoning of recreation and open space areas within the Area Plan has indicated that there may be a need to align zoning with current and likely future uses. A number of City of Darwin ovals are zoned Public Open Space (PS) but may be better align with the Organised Recreation (OR) zone.

# **Culture and Heritage**

"This Area Plan encourages the appropriate acknowledgement, conservation, management, and revitalisation of cultural and heritage places."

# **Environment**

"This Area Plan seeks to protect and enhance the functions of the natural environment for the continued enjoyment of the community, while ensuring development responds appropriately to constraints." There is no direct mention of climate change. However, there are objectives to address storm surge (which predicts future sea level rise) and the Area Plan also encourage sustainable development and cooling the City.

# **Movement and Transport**

"This Area Plan seeks to preserve transport corridors and ensure these corridors are developed to provide high amenity. This will result in efficient movement into and through the city along safe and active routes." It provides a 'Transport Network Map', 'Potential Enhancement to Pedestrian/Cycleway Network', and 'City Recreation Loop'.

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The Draft Area Plan nominates one 'City Recreation Loop'; it is considered that a range of loops could be created to cater for various abilities and general variety. This could easily be achieved by using the main loop as a base.

The City Centre is 'bookended' by Cullen Bay and the Darwin Waterfront, while the general road network runs between the two places, overall connectivity could be strengthened through a priority transport corridor, which might support active transport and future bus / light rail linkage.

# **Essential Infrastructure**

"This Area Plan seeks to ensure the sequential and cost-effective provision of infrastructure and assist with the coordination of design, development, and funding contributions for required infrastructure upgrades."

Part 3 lists eight focus areas, two of which have no planning principles and are asking for suggestions.

The focus areas are shown in the below map and are discussed in further detail below:



Focus Area index map

# Focus Area A1: City Centre - Core

The City Centre – Core encompasses the areas of the city centre that receive the most foot traffic and have the highest proportions of retail land uses.

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The Draft Area Plan seeks to reinforce the retail character, while maintaining a human scale in any redevelopment.

# Focus Area A2: City Centre - Former Shell Site

The former Shell Fuel storage site is over 7 hectares in size and the Area Plan notes that this is a unique development opportunity. The sites size, proximity to the city and connectivity to Frances Bay and the former Tank Farm mean that development of the site make it suitable for high amenity, mixed use development.

# Focus Area A3: City Centre - Education and Civic Precinct

The Education and Civic Precinct is centred around the post office car park site and former Darwin Primary School for meeting future civic and community development needs of Central Darwin.

# Focus Area A4: Esplanade Character Area

The Esplanade and Bicentennial Park provide a high amenity open space and multiuse area. The Draft Area Plan reinforces the Northern Territory Planning Scheme (NTPS) requirements in relation to height and view corridors by outlining additional assessment criteria for any variations to the NTPS requirements.

#### **Focus Area B: Darwin Waterfront**

The Darwin Waterfront is a mixed use activity centre providing a dining and entertainment destination with high amenity. The Darwin Waterfront area is located outside of the Darwin Municipality but has strong historical links to the City plateau.

# Focus Area C: Old Hospital Site and Myilly Terrace

This focus area has previous historical uses that are significant to the community, including the Kahlin Compound established in 1931 and the Darwin Hospital Site in 1941. Large parts of the focus area are now vacant. The Draft Area Plan calls for feedback on options for the Old Hospital Site and Myilly Terrace.

# Focus Area D: Frances Bay

The current Frances Bay Planning Principles and Area Plan provide the basis for change identified in the Draft Area Plan.

# **Focus Area E: Former Tank Farm**

This focus area includes the former Tank Farm sites which previously accommodated fuel storage tanks. At the centre of the focus area is One Mile Dam.

The 'Former Tank Farm' focus area includes consideration of height transition areas between existing residential areas and the city centre. This will also act to maintain some view corridors for existing development.

The Draft Area Plan calls for feedback on the focus area. Darwin City Centre Master Plan provides some guidance in relation to redevelopment of the 'Former Tank Farm' area. It notes a key principle in relation to the design is to ensure passive surveillance of any open space is optimised by lining the open space with edge streets and buildings that overlook these public spaces and recreation routes.

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Both the 'Former Tank Farm', and 'Hospital and Myilly Terrace' sites also have strong cultural significance to the Darwin community and any development on these sites should seek to both respect and articulate these stories for future generations.

# Summary

City of Darwin has been on the Project Control Group and provided previous submissions for the Draft Area Plan. As there are no concepts proposed as part of this Area Plan, City of Darwin is unlikely to be required to provide infrastructure as a direct part of this document.

The planning principles are simple and useful guides for conducting development. The document appears to be consistent with previous planning documents for the area.

While the lack of concepts within the Area Plan differs from previous area plans, this allows other documents and programs to act in its absence, some of these include:

# **Darwin City Centre Master Plan**

The Central Darwin Area Plan discussion paper released between 24 October and 24 November 2017, referred to the Darwin City Centre Master Plan for much of its content. Council resolved 29 January 2019 to further investigate timeframes and costs for prioritising seven City Centre Master Plan projects.

# **City Deals Program**

The City Deals program has discussed a number of projects designed to make a better Darwin. The Area Plan acknowledges and allows for these projects to continue.

# Reestablishment of vegetation

The Central Darwin Area Plan: Draft Needs Assessment, acknowledges the work commissioned by City of Darwin to research into the most appropriate tree species and planting methods for the Darwin environment, to re-establish the vegetation removed by Cyclone Marcus.

Not-with-standing the work listed above, the following documents and programs may further assist with improving the Area Plan.

#### **Urban Mobility Plan**

The Draft Area Plan and Draft Needs Assessment noted that during Stage 1 consultation 'walkable connections' were rated highest for "What would encourage you to live in Central Darwin." In addition, studies indicated a lack of cycling networks, infrastructure and end of trip facilities. City of Darwin's response to Stage 1, dated 30 November 2017, requested a Pedestrian and Bike Connectivity Plan. In addition, on 18 December 2017 City of Darwin requested that the Minister work with City of Darwin on an Urban Mobility Plan. Given the concerns raised during Stage 1 and the lack of detail within the 'Movement and Transport' maps provided, it is recommended that the development of an 'Urban Mobility Plan' remains necessary.

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#### Social Infrastructure

The Central Darwin Area Plan: Draft Needs Assessment lists various forms of social infrastructure that need to be provided within the Central Darwin Area. City of Darwin requests that planning for social infrastructure be a coordinated approach.

City of Darwin officers submit the response in **Attachment A** for Council endorsement.

#### **Interim Uses**

The City Centre currently has a range of vacant and under utilised sites, provisions to encourage interim uses could be considered, including pop-ups, parklets and other managed uses to activate sites.

# **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

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

Town Planner

# **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Appropriate funding for infrastructure upgrades to meet future land use needs, should be identified as a part of the Area Planning process. This may involve Government funding and/or the preparation of Developer Contribution Plans.

Contribution Plans and funding for upgrading stormwater, local roads and some social and community infrastructure have traditionally been administered by the City of Darwin.

#### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Any infrastructure upgrades identified in the Area Planning process that are outside of established programs such as Smart Cities and City Deals, should be appropriately funded. As mentioned above, this may be through Government funding or Developer Contribution Plans.

# RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Not Assessed.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Increased densities as a result of this area planning process may lead to increased hard surfaces, which could increase stormwater run-off into the City of Darwin's drainage network. This may then require upgrades to drainage networks.

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# **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
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# **Attachments:**

Attachment A: City of Darwin, Letter of Response to Reporting Body, dated 27

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Attachment B: Central Darwin Area Plan - Draft

Attachment B was submitted electronically on the City of Darwin website:

https://www.darwin.nt.gov.au/sites/default/files/file/agendasminutes/attachments/18cf0106 - attachment b -\_central\_darwin\_area\_plan\_draft.pdf

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27 February 2019

Dr David Ritchie Chairman Northern Territory Planning Commission GPO Box 1680 DARWIN NT 0801

Email: planning.ntg@nt.gov.au

Dear Dr Ritchie

#### Central Darwin Area Plan - Draft

Thank you for providing City of Darwin with an opportunity to comment on the Draft Central Darwin Area Plan and associated Needs Assessment, referred to this office 4 December 2018. City of Darwin appreciates being on the Project Control Group for all area plans within the City of Darwin municipal area.

City of Darwin provides the following comments in relation to the Draft Central Darwin Area Plan:

# A Liveable City

The City of Darwin strongly encourages the Draft Area Plan's focus on a liveable City and measures to encourage heat mitigation through the increased use of vegetation in both private and public spaces. This could be further supported through Northern Territory Planning Scheme provisions to increase landscaping requirements and guidelines to encourage tropical design.

The City of Darwin also notes that it is actively working on projects to increase the overall tree canopy coverage across the Municipality.

#### Residential

The Draft Area Plan encourages an increased diversity of housing options with high levels of function and amenity that accommodate a greater variety of households."



To suitably cater for expected future student populations and retain housing options for lower income and key worker households as older housing sites redevelop in the City, there will likely be the need to establish specific provisions to encourage diverse and affordable housing. This could be achieved through a range of mechanisms, including more flexible residential controls in the Northern Territory Planning Scheme, contribution schemes and the establishment of specific housing companies.

#### Social Infrastructure

The Draft Area Plan indicates the need for a district level multipurpose community centre and an indoor sports centre, as well increased education and childcare facilities in the city centre; however, it shows a notable decrease in open space provision from the Darwin City Centre Master Plan. The Master Plan nominated a large 'Darwin Central Park', centred around One Mile Dam. The Draft Area Plan indicates a reduced open space area that functions mainly as a pedestrian priority area and linkage, rather than a substantial parkland area as previously planned.

While it is expected that the final design of any public spaces will be refined over time, it is considered that both the quality and quantity of open space should increase proportionate to any density increases in the City Centre.

A brief review of the current zoning of recreation and open space areas within the Area Plan has indicated that there may be a need to align zoning with current and likely future uses. A number of City of Darwin ovals are zoned Public Open Space (PS) but may be better align with the Organised Recreation (OR) zone. In this regard, the City of Darwin would like to work further with the Planning Commission to determine if future rezoning is the most appropriate way forward.

#### **Movement and transport**

The concept of a 'City Recreation Loop'; is supported and it is considered that a range of loops could be created to cater for various abilities and general variety. This could easily be achieved by using the main loop as a base, with smaller loops branching from and within it.

The City Centre is 'bookended' by Cullen Bay and the Darwin Waterfront, while the general road network runs between the two places, overall connectivity could be strengthened through a priority transport corridor, which might support active transport and future bus / light rail linkage.

#### **Focus Areas**

In relation to the 'Former Tank Farm' focus area, the Darwin City Centre Master Plan provides some guidance in relation to redevelopment of the general area. It notes a key principle in relation to the design is to ensure passive surveillance of any open space is optimised by lining the open space with edge streets and buildings that overlook these public spaces and recreation routes.

Both the 'Former Tank Farm', and 'Hospital and Myilly Terrace' sites also have strong cultural significance to the Darwin community and any development on these sites should seek to respect and articulate these stories for current and future generations.

As these areas both include increased densities, the quantity and quality of public spaces and social infrastructure will be important. As will ensuring that they have good accessibility and connectivity with existing pedestrian, cycle and vehicular networks.

#### **Interim Uses**

The City Centre currently has a number of vacant and underutilised sites, provisions to encourage interim uses could be considered, including pop-ups, parklets and other managed uses to activate sites.

City of Darwin notes that the Area Plan includes City of Darwin property and infrastructure. Subsequently, Council requests that the Northern Territory Government engage early with City of Darwin for any works that may affect our land or infrastructure.

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

Yours faithfully

CINDY ROBSON

MANAGER CITY PLANNING

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#### **OIL TANKS BICENTENNIAL PARK**

REPORT No.: 19CF0108 JS:hd COMMON No.: 1907804 DATE: 26/02/2019

Presenter: General Manager Innovation, Growth & Development Services,

**Joshua Sattler** 

Approved: Acting Chief Executive Officer, Melissa Reiter

# **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to obtain Council's approval to open expressions of interest from parties who wish to lease and develop the World War II oil tank positioned on the Esplanade at Lot 5964 – Town of Darwin.

#### 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

# 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

Collaborative, Inclusive and Connected Community

# **Outcome**

1.2 Desirable places and open spaces for people

# **Key Strategies**

1.2.1 Enhance places and open spaces

#### **KEY ISSUES**

- Council has been considering various development proposals for the oil tanks in Bicentennial Park since they were acquired in the 1980s;
- To date only one oil tank has been developed at Doctors Gully which was leased as a climbing gym in 1994 for 25 years with a 25 year option;
- The most recent proposal to Council in relation to the oil tanks was received from the Northern Territory Government in 2014 in relation to an Esplanade

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Boardwalk. This project appears to have not progressed and not been brought back to Council for consideration.

• These assets represent significant opportunities to enhance liveability and accessibility of our cities unique environment.

# **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- A. THAT Report Number 19CF0108 JS:hd entitled Oil Tanks Bicentennial Park, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the opening of expressions of interest for parties to lease and develop the World War II oil tank known as Lot 5964 Town of Darwin.

# **BACKGROUND**

In the early 1980s City of Darwin purchased five World War II Oil Tank facilities situated on the CBD coastline from the Commonwealth Government.

In 1995 Council sought expressions of interest for development of the oil tanks and granted a lease to Illframe Pty Ltd (representing George Kapetas) over the Lot 5249. After considerable investment of time and money by Mr Kapetas the project failed to get off the ground and Council terminated the lease in January 2001.

In 2007 Mr Kapetas brought the proposal back to Council and the following decision was made:

DECISION NO.19\4157 (13/03/07)

# Oil Tank Redevelopment - Lot 5249

Report No. 07A0042 (18/01/07) Common No. 1113161

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

- A. THAT Report Number 07A0042 entitled Oil Tank Redevelopment be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council support in principle the concept of constructing a restaurant within the oil tank in Bicentennial Park (Lot 5249 town of Darwin).
- C. THAT expressions of interest be sought through a public process for development of the oil tank in Bicentennial Park (Lot 5249 town of Darwin).

Following the request for expressions of interest the only proposal was from Mr Kapetas. Following a presentation to Council the proposal was supported:

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DECISION NO.20\1392 (31/03/09)

# Oil Tank Redevelopment in Bicentennial Park

Report No. 09A0061 LC:fc (13/02/09) Common No.1113161

- A. THAT Report Number 09A0061 entitled, Oil Tank Redevelopment in Bicentennial Park Lot 5249, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council agrees to enter into a licence agreement allowing Illframe Pty Ltd to occupy and develop Lot 5249 Town of Darwin, subject to all design documentation being to satisfaction of Council.
- C. THAT all design documentation in relation to the development, including building structure, pedestrian access, vehicle access, landscaping and essential services will require prior approval of Council before being lodged with the Development Consent Authority.
- D. THAT a management plan ensuring minimal disruption to users of the Bicentennial Park during construction be prepared to the satisfaction of the Darwin City Council.
- E. THAT the Lessee be responsible to obtain a determination from the Heritage Council prior to the development application being lodged with the Development Consent Authority.
- F. THAT the Lessee be granted no waiver in relation to any car parking shortfall as assessed by the Development Consent Authority.
- G. THAT the Lessee provides a security bond to Council by way of an unconditional bank guarantee of \$500,000 on the issue of the licence agreement.
- H. THAT further details of the development specifications be the subject of a separate report to Council for its approval which must take into consideration best practice green building principles.
- I. THAT Council endorse the following terms and conditions in relation to the lease of Lot 5249 Town of Darwin to Illframe Pty Ltd.
  - a) Property Lot 5249, Town of Darwin (3,080 m²)
  - **b)** Lease Term 25 years with a further option of 25 years

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c) Commenceme nt Date

1<sup>st</sup> January 2012 or earlier if an occupation licence has been issued.

d) Rental

To be independently determined by the Australian Valuation Office based on the terms and conditions of the lease. The rental will be reviewed annually to CPI with a market review every five years on the exercise of any option or assignment of the lease.

e) Permitted Use

Restaurant and function facility catering for up to 300 people.

World War II heritage, cultural and tourist facility.

f) Planning approvals

The lessee is responsible for obtaining all planning and statutory approvals to operate a licensed restaurant.

g) Essential services

All essential services to Lot 5249, Town of Darwin, including water, electricity, telecommunications and sewage will be provided at the Lessees expense.

h) Access

The construction of roads, footpaths, elevators and bridges to the site will be provided at the Lessee's expense.

Council will allow permanent pedestrian access across Bicentennial Park to the restaurant facility, however vehicle access to service the facility will only be allowed at restricted times each day. Access to the facility must ensure minimal impact on the Bicentennial Park amenity and its users.

i) Ownership building

**of** Council gives no undertaking to recompense the Lessee for any investment in the site and all permanent structures will become the property of Council on termination or assignment of the lease.

j) Reinstatement

Council may on termination of the lease request the lessee to reinstate the site to its original condition.

k) Assignment

Assignment of the lease will require prior approval of Council.

I) Heritage

The Lessee accepts all responsibility to comply with the NT Heritage Conservation Act.

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m) Sacred sites The Lessee accepts all responsibility and complies with

all aspects in relation to sacred site requirements of the

Aboriginal Areas Protective Authority.

n) Landscaping Landscaping of the site will be in keeping with the

native vegetation and subject to approval of Council.

o) Decontaminati The Lessee accepts all responsibility for

**on** decontaminating the site.

**p)** (**Stormwater** The Lessee is responsible to develop the site such that

is capable of dealing with a one in a hundred year storm surge and that it demonstrates water sensitive urban design principles which includes the capture and reuse

of storm water which falls or flows onto the site.

**q) Native Title** Council provides no guarantee in relation to any future

native title claim.

J. THAT the proponent be advised and once this has occurred, the decision be moved into open.

Mr Kapetas requested a waiver of any car parking shortfall levy (estimated at half a million dollars), Council on 28 September 2010 resolved:

DECISION NO.21\3274 (28/09/10)

# Oil Tank Redevelopment in Bicentennial Park

Report No. 10A0157 (10/9/10) Common No. 1113161

- A. THAT Report Number 10A0157 entitled, Oil Tank Redevelopment in Bicentennial Park, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council reaffirm its decision 20\1392 (31/3/2009) that the Lessee be granted no waiver in relation to any car parking shortfall as assessed by the Development Consent Authority

Illframe (representing Mr Kapetas) was forwarded a "Heads of Agreement" document in November 2010 which was not signed by the company.

A confidential report was presented to the Corporate and Economic Development Committee on 11 March 2011 seeking Council's direction in relation to the future use of the oil tanks and proposed that Council reassess its policy position in relation to future use of these sites. The following decision was carried with the amendment lost.

DECISION 20\3808 (29/03/11)

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# <u>Costs and Benefits of Commercial Development of the Oil Tanks On</u> <u>Bicentennial Park</u>

Report No. 11A0058 (11/03/11) Common No. 1907804

- A. THAT Report Number 11A0058 entitled, Costs and Benefits of Commercial Development of the Oil Tanks on Bicentennial Park, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council reaffirm its commitment to look at each application on a case by case basis and judge each application on its merits.
- C. THAT Council advise Roper Construction Pty Ltd of this decision.

# <u>Amendment</u>

B. THAT Council not consider any further applications for the commercial development of the oil tanks in Bicentennial Park.

There was a notice of motion at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ordinary Council meeting held on 28 June 2011 that was moved into confidential that lapsed due to no seconder. The notice of motion was:

DECISION 20\4139 (28/06/11)

# Commercial Development of the Oil Tanks On Bicentennial Park

Report No. 11A0058 (11/03/11) Common No. 1907804

With consent of the Council, this matter was moved from the Open Section into the Confidential Section of the Minutes

THAT the following resolution, Decision No. 20\3808 from Council's Confidential Ordinary Meeting of 29 March 2011, namely:-

THAT Council reaffirm its commitment to look at each application on a case by case basis and judge each application on its own merits.

#### Be rescinded

#### **REASON:**

Council has not resolved the issue of access rights and commercialisation of a portion of Bicentennial Park without severely impacting on the public amenity and without conducting public consultation gauging current public opinion.

Mr Kapetas brought his development proposal back to Council in August 2013 with the following decision being made:

DECISION NO.21\(1395) (27/08/13)

# Illframe Pty Ltd Oil Tank Development Bicentennial Park

Report No. 13A0151LC:ns (21/08/13) Common No. 1907804

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A. THAT Report Number 13A0151 LC:ns entitled Illframe Pty Ltd Oil Tank Development Bicentennial Park, be received and noted.

- B. THAT Council receive a presentation from Mr Kapetas at the earliest opportunity detailing his proposal to develop a restaurant on Lot 5249 Town of Darwin (Bicentennial Park).
- C. THAT Council advise Mr Kapetas that the offer of licence dated March 2009 and the associated conditions will lapse after three months if a "Heads of Agreement" based on decision no.20\1392 has not been entered into.

In a Council meeting on 10 December 2013 a confidential report was put to Council advising the proposal from Mr Kapetas did not comply with the existing offer of licence. The below decision followed:

Decision No. 21\1703 (12\11\13)

# Illframe Pty Ltd - Oil Tank Development Bicentennial Park

Report No. 13A0204 DLEE:ns (10/12/13) Common No. 1907804

B. THAT the proposal for development of a restaurant on Lot 5249 by George Kapetas, dated 28 November 2013, be declined.

Following an approach from the Department of Lands, Planning & the Environment, Council officers met with representatives on 3 October 2014 to discuss the Northern Territory Government's (NTG) strategic interest in three of the sites. This was confidentially reported to Council at the Corporate & Economic Development Committee on 22 October 2014 with the following decision:

Decision No. 21\2577 (22\10\14)

# Oil Tank Development Bicentennial Park

Report No. 14A0178 LC:jm (22/10/14) Common No. 1907804

B. THAT Council continue discussions with the Department of Lands, Planning & the Environment in regard to the future strategic use of the oil tanks on Lots 5248, 5249 and 5964 Town of Darwin

C. THAT a further report on this matter be brought back to Council following a decision on the construction of the "Esplanade Boardwalk" and detailing the intended future use of the oil tank sites on Lots 5248, 5249 and 5964 envisaged by the Northern Territory Government and the tenure required by the Northern Territory Government.

Report 14TS0296 went to the Environment and Infrastructure Committee on 11 November 2014 titled Esplanade Boardwalk – Stage 1. This report was laid on the table at the November 25 2<sup>nd</sup> Ordinary 2014 and no further action was taken.

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The boardwalk has not been constructed and there is no further reference to the oil tank development since then.

# **DISCUSSION**



Aerial view of three World War II Oil Tanks on Esplanade

In considering the future use of the oil tanks Council may consider the following matters:

- Commercial Considerations;
- Development Approval;
- Car Parking Requirements;
- Capital Investment;
- Tenure;
- Bicentennial Masterplan;
- Heritage Value; and
- Risk Assessment.

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#### Commercial Considerations

In considering using the oils tanks for a commercial development Council should be take into consideration the following issues:

- A reasonable return on investment relevant to the risk taken;
- A reasonable payback period in relation to capital invested;
- Security and certainty of tenure;
- An ability to raise capital;
- Development issues in relation to construction, local government, town planning and other statutory requirements; and
- Car parking requirements.

# **Development Approval**

The sites present a number of unique planning and design challenges including access for delivery and service vehicles, waste management, car parking and amenity issues. These issues need to be further explored if any project was to proceed.

These and other issues would be considered as part of the Development Consent process. The Development Consent Authority (DCA) will consider any proposal on its planning merits and with due consideration of comments made by the public and service authorities, including Council.

# **Car Parking Requirements**

There is no ability for the sites to provide car parking and this will be assessed through planning of any proposed development application.

# **Capital investment**

The sites do not lend readily to the provision of services and maintenance as they are situated away from the main road access. The nature and elevation of the site leads to higher capital costs to develop and the sites have significant development problems that could result in a protracted development process.

Higher capital costs leads to lower return on investment and longer pay back periods making a commercial venture less viable.

#### **Tenure**

Retention of ownership gives Council direct control over usage, access and any proposed change of use. However leasing on a commercial basis will prove difficult and risky and will require skilful negotiation and planning to succeed.

Long term tenure from 10 to 20 years may be required to make any development financially viable.

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#### **Bicentennial Park**

During the Bicentennial Park Master Plan review (1998) public opinion was not in favour of developing the oil tanks.

The Central Darwin Area Plan – Draft which Council has recently commented on proposes the Esplanade Character Area be developed to provide the community with a mix of tourism, residential, event and entertainment facilities in this area contributing to a tourist commercial setting.

# **Heritage Value**

The oil tanks have value in terms of heritage, however at this point no heritage provision orders have been issued on the sites.

A low impact, low capital investment incorporating the oil tanks within the Bicentennial Master Plan would be an option, however it expected this will still require considerable funding.

#### **Risks**

The potential risks to Council in relation to this matter include the following:

Risk Item	Comments
Financial	Potential exposure of Council to unknown or uncapped
	capital costs such as:
	Phase 1 & 2 Environmental assessment studies
	Remediation costs
	Heritage studies
	Services extensions/provisions
	Waste management/control
Legal	Access rights over the Bicentennial Park
	Native/indigenous title/rights
	Insurance issues/obligations
	Legal costs
Market	Likely long term viability issues i.e. is Council exposed in
	any way if the proposal fails
	There are potential capital and recurrent cost issues if the
	proposal/project is justified on recurrent revenue streams
	that do not materialise because the venture fails
Political	Community backlash if the venture is seen as an
	unwarranted intrusion into an established park
	environment
	Occupants in close proximity may not be supportive of the
	venture (particularly upper level residents/occupants)
Social	May create noise issues which effect the amenity of the
	area particularly for residents opposite or in close proximity
	Additional parking/traffic activity
Tenure	Loss of freehold title will remove Council's direct ability to
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influence/ control future use, activity and development, and could result in increased pressure for access through Bicentennial Park or to accept development that rises above the escarpment.

# **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

This report was considered by the Strategic Direction Group on **25**<sup>th</sup> **February** and now referred to **Council** for consideration.

# **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Any lease or sale proposal will require reference to Council's Long Term Lease Policy.

# **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.

JOSHUA SATTLER

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# **GOYDER COMMEMORATIVE COIN**

REPORT No.: 19CF0112 JS:nt COMMON No.: 3819081 DATE: 26/02/2019

Presenter: General Manager Innovation, Growth & Development Services,

Joshua Sattler

Approved: Acting Chief Executive Officer, Melissa Reiter

# **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to seek endorsement from Council to support the commemorative 150 year Goyder coin initiative for primary school attendees in city of Darwin.

# 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

4 Historic and Culturally Rich City

#### Outcome

4.1 Recognised key activities and events

# **Key Strategies**

4.1.1 Promote and support activities that celebrate our Indigenous culture, local history and cultural diversity

# **KEY ISSUES**

- Previous events surrounding this important event have noted this initiative and recognised the contribution by council on Tuesday February 5<sup>th</sup> – 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the landing of George W Goyder and the founding of the City of Darwin at Parliament House.
- This will require an approximate investment of \$25,000.
- The proposed cost recovery on 10,000 coins at \$2.50 will support the initial investment.
- Considering the importance of this event and current lack of monetary support for the activities this initiative provides an opportunity for City of Darwin to take the lead for this activity.
- Enquiry has been received from the Professional Conference Organiser for the South East Asia Survey Congress that is being held in Darwin from 15-18 August 2019 with an expected delegation of over 500 surveyors that is interested in purchasing this coin for the delegates as a gift.

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 A book has also been proposed and is currently in discussion with the Northern Territory Government to supply to the years 5 and 6 students in Darwin – the publication is 1869 by Derek Pugh.

# **RECOMMENDATIONS**

A. THAT Report Number 19CF0112 JS:nt entitled Goyder Commemorative Coin, be received and noted.

- B. THAT Council proceed with this initiative and support the purchase of the commemorative coins to the approximate value of \$25,000.
- C. THAT Council support the implementation of a cost recovery program for the sale of the remaining coins not used for the schools to other interested entities.

# **BACKGROUND**

5<sup>th</sup> February is Goyder Day and in 2019 this represents 150 year's commemoration and is a significant milestone in the history and future of City of Darwin. NT National Trust and City of Darwin are collaborating to support this occasion and the opportunity exists for City of Darwin to develop and fund a commemorative coin with Larrakia artwork and City of Darwin logo for community to purchase and also a free coin to go to all the school children of Darwin to signify the importance of this event and day.

# **DISCUSSION**

Considerable discussion and collaboration has been initiated by city of Darwin and the national trust cohort to define this opportunity. Discussion started in October of 2018 and has now progressed to present this report.

It is proposed that all primary school attendees in city of Darwin be presented this coin, **Attachment B: Coin Design**, as a commemorative offering by the city of Darwin recognising the importance of this historic event and also signifying the resilience and resolution of the community that has been working together for 150 years. Larrakia language has been applied to the coin – Darrandarra (together). The coin will be issued on a card with similar imagery as noted in **Attachment C: Card to support coin example** – yet to be finalised.

The design and artwork together with manufacturing details have been included in this report. The art work has been developed with support and approval of the Larrakia by local Larrakia artist Jason Bell, as per **Attachment A: Artwork Larrakia** and remains the commercial property of City of Darwin – all copyrights reserved. The cost of this was \$1,000.00 and this artwork will has been sent to the coin Manufacturer, where costs associated with the production will be approximately \$1.00-\$1.30 per coin. A quote will be finalised after endorsement.

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The approximate number of primary school children in Darwin is between 11,000 and 12,000 and the current total number of coins to be requested is 20,000. As noted above the shortfall will be sold to ensure the cost recovery of this initiative.

This initiative represents an opportunity for the city of Darwin to promote and support this historic event and take leadership in its recognition. Other opportunities also exist and are in discussion by other parties to support an additional printed book – 1869, by Derek Pugh to also be co-funded and issued to year 5 and 6 students across the municipality. This is yet to be finalised.

# **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

This report was considered by the Strategic Direction Group on the 25<sup>th</sup> February and now referred to council for consideration.

# **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

# **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Associated order costs of up to \$25,000 then to be returned to cost centre via cost recovery throughout activities during the calendar year of 2019.

# **RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

# **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

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# **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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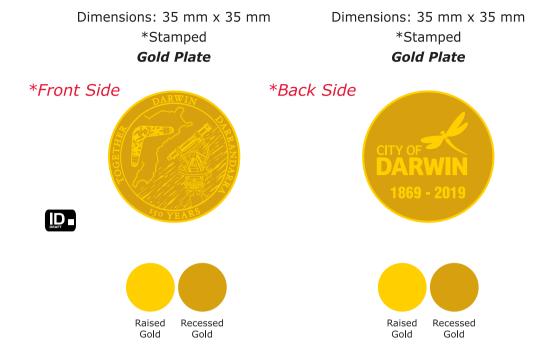
Attachment A: Artwork Larrakia
Attachment B: Coin design

Attachment C: card to support coin example

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# **ATTACHMENT B**



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# **Date:** 06 / 02 / 19

**Client:** City of Darwin

**Code :** CD\_Coins.1D

Metal: Gold Plate

Designer: Nenad Nikolovski

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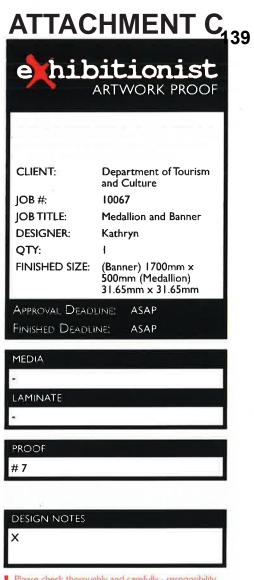


# BANNER DESIGN













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#### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO THE NT PLANNING COMMISSION

**Presenter:** Coordinator Governance, Penny Hart

Approved: Acting Chief Executive Officer, Melissa Reiter

# **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to put forward a nomination for a City of Darwin senior officer to the Local Government Association of the NT (LGANT) to be their representative on the NT Planning Commission.

# **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**

- Under the *Planning Act*, one representative of LGANT must be appointed to the NT Planning Commission
- The term of the current member expires on 11 July 2019.
- The Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics has written to LGANT to seek a nomination to the position.
- City of Darwin seeks to nominate the Chief Executive Officer to the role.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- A. THAT Report Number 19CE0064 MR:ph entitled Call for Nominations to the NT Planning Commission, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council nominate the Chief Executive Officer Mr Scott Waters to the Local Government Association of the NT as the representative to join the board of the NT Planning Commission.

REPORT NUMBER: 19CE0064 SW:ph

SUBJECT: CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO THE NT PLANNING COMMISSION

# **BACKGROUND**

Mr Robert Jennings, Chief Executive Officer, Katherine Town Council, is the current LGANT representative on the NT Planning Commission. His term is due to expire on 11 July 2019 and the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics (The Minister) has written to LGANT to seek a nomination for the position (**Attachment A**).

City of Darwin has previously nominated members to the NT Planning Commission, mostly recently the previous Chief Executive Officer Mr Brendan Dowd who served as the LGANT representative, an independent member and also as the Acting Chair for a period.

# **DISCUSSION**

The NT Planning Commission has eight members who provide planning leadership and deliver professional, independent advice to strengthen links between the Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority, Development Consent Authority, Heritage Council and local government associations. The NT Planning Commission comprises:

- Chairperson
- Chairpersons of the Development Consent Authority, Heritage Council and NT Environment Protection Authority
- a representative of the Local Government Association of the NT
- up to five additional members with appropriate qualifications and expertise appointed by the Minister, who hold office for up to two years.

The Chief Executive Officer has prior experience in planning from his previous roles in local governments in Queensland. It is considered that he would be an appropriate candidate to represent LGANT on the NT Planning Commission and officers recommend that Council put his nomination forward.

#### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

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

General Manager Innovation, Growth and Development

# **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Land use planning, including place naming and development control within Darwin is the responsibility of the Northern Territory Government. However, as a body tasked with representing the interests of the Darwin community with the responsibility for 'seeking to ensure a proper emphasis on environmentally sustainable development, proper balance between economic, social, environmental and cultural considerations' Council provides comment to the Northern Territory Government and its statutory agencies. City of Darwin also develops its policies reflecting the aspirations of the Council and the Darwin community.

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SUBJECT: CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO THE NT PLANNING COMMISSION

# **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Membership of the NT Planning Commission involves attendance at meetings, which are held a minimum of 4 times per year. The meeting locations cycle between Darwin, Katherine and Alice Springs and incur costs in the form of travel and accommodation.

# RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The *Planning Act* requires the Minister to appoint a number of members to the NT Planning Commission, including one representative of LGANT. It is the Northern Territory Government's policy that these members are not elected members (councillors/aldermen).

# **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

The NT Planning Commission plans and provides a framework of controls for the orderly use and development of land: this includes controlling development to protect the natural environment, including by sustainably using land and water resources.

# 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.

PENNY HART
COORDINATOR GOVERNANCE

MELISSA REITER ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

For enquiries, please contact Penny Hart on 89300670 or email: p.hart@darwin.nt.gov.au.

#### Attachments:

**Attachment A:** Letter from the Minister, including supporting information from

**LGANT** 

# ATACHMENT A



# MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE, PLANNING AND LOGISTICS

Parliament House State Square Darwin NT 0800 minister.lawler@nt.gov.au GPO Box 3146 Darwin NT 0801 Telephone: 08 8936 5566 Facsimile: 08 8936 5609

Mr Tony Tapsell
Chief Executive Officer
Local Government Association of the Northern Territory
PO Box 2017
PARAP NT 0820

Dear Mr Tansell

I am seeking a nomination for a representative of the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory to join the board of the NT Planning Commission.

The Northern Territory Planning Commission is an independent statutory authority. The Planning Commission plays an important role in setting the strategic framework for integrated land use, transport and infrastructure planning in the Territory; while working to deliver more sustainable and cost-effective outcomes for the community that reflect environmental and heritage values.

The *Planning Act* requires the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics to appoint a number of members to the Planning Commission, including one representative of the Local Government Association. Government's policy is for members of the Commission to be non-elected representatives.

Mr Robert Jennings is the current Local Government Association representative to the Planning Commission. Mr Jennings' term of appointment to the Planning Commission is due to expire on 11 July 2019.

It is noted that the *Planning Act* does not prevent the Local Government Association from re-nominating the current representative, if they so choose.

An appropriate nominee to the Planning Commission would be a person with demonstrated expertise or a special interest in the continuing growth and development of the Northern Territory, consistent with good planning principles.

Please advise of your nominated representative by 29 March 2019.

Yours sincerely

**EVA LAWLER** 

7 JAN 2019



# LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF THE NORTHERN **TERRITORY**

# **NOMINATION FORM** Local Government Association of the Northern Territory

# **NT PLANNING COMMISSION**

COUNCIL NAME:			
Agreement to be nominate	d		
I,(full name)	agree to be nominated as a member of the		
NT PLANNING COMMISSION.			
Signature:	Date:		
2. Council Confirmation of No	omination		
l,	the Chief Executive Officer		
hereby confirm that			
was approved by resolution of Cour <b>PLANNING COMMISSION</b> at a me	ncil to be nominated as a member of the <b>NT</b> eeting held on //2019.		
Signature:	Date:		
3. Nominee's Contact Details			
Email address:			
Phone No:			

	Nominee Information ollowing information is required to enable the Executive to make an informed on. If you want to submit further information please attach it to this form.
4.1	What is your current council position?
4.2	How long have you held your current council position?
4.3	Please list your educational qualifications:
4.4	What experience do you have that is relevant to this committee?
4.6 goveri	Apart from your current position what other experience have you had in local nment?
5.	You agree to supply the Executive with a report on the committee meetings you attend?
	I agree ☐ I Disagree ☐
6.	Have you read and agree to the Outside Committee procedures  Yes

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY



# PROCEDURES FOR LGANT REPRESENTATIVES ON COMMITTEES

LGANT representatives on committees are required to provide the Association with regular reports and an annual report for its Annual General Meeting in November of each year.

The Association also requires the minutes of each meeting attended to be emailed to the CEO's Personal Assistant, elaine.mcleod@lgant.asn.au.

Representatives are required to supply the Association with contact details such as mobile phone number, email address, postal address and the council they are a member of.

The Association will supply information to nominees of committees, including their Terms of Reference.

If a LGANT representative resigns from a committee, he/she is requested to inform the Association in writing, by letter or email, so that an alternative representative can be nominated to the committee.

The Association may remove its endorsement of a representative on a committee if that representative fails to deliver regular reports or misses meetings without just cause. It would then be up to the committee to decide whether or not the representative remains on that committee if the representative is without LGANT endorsement.

Reports, recommendations and supporting documentation can be accessed via the City of Darwin Council Website at <a href="https://www.darwin.nt.gov.au">www.darwin.nt.gov.au</a>, at Council Public Libraries or contact the Committee Administrator on (08) 8930 0670.

THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – OPEN SECTION TUESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2019

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## 14.2 OFFICERS REPORTS (RECEIVE & NOTE)



ENCL: 2ND ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING/OPEN AGENDA ITEM: 14.2.1

**MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - JANUARY 2019** 

REPORT No.: 19CP0147 RH:ph COMMON No.: 2476534 DATE: 26/02/2019

Presenter: Finance Manager, Russell Holden

**Approved:** Chief Executive Officer, Scott Waters

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide a comparison of income and expenditure against the budget for the period ended 31 January 2019 in accordance with the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations.

#### **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 monthly financial report meets Council's statutory requirements.
- There are no overall concerns with this month's report

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT Report Number 19CP0147 RH:ph entitled Monthly Financial Report - January 2019, be received and noted.

REPORT NUMBER: 19CP0147 RH:mc

SUBJECT: MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - JANUARY 2019

#### **BACKGROUND**

Council has endorsed the format of the Monthly Financial Report. It is in compliance with the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations in respect of monthly financial reporting.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The following statements are included at **Attachment A**.

#### **Overall Income Statement**

The Overall Income Statement contains all sources of Council's income (revenue) and operating expenses. Items of note include;

- Income streams are ahead of the year to date budget.
- Capital Grants & Contributions are behind budget due to the timing of receiving Grants.
- Increased Operating Expenses include;
  - o Increased insurance premiums
  - Higher temporary labour costs,
  - o Higher water consumption costs and
  - Cyclone Marcus recovery works.
- Depreciation will be higher than budget due to a higher value of assets at year-end than anticipated when the budget was completed.

Within the Statement of Financial Position report, the Receivables figure of \$22.5 million includes around \$16.7 million of Rates struck, which are not yet due.

#### Municipal Plan Summary

The Municipal Plan Summary follows a similar format to the statement of cash flows, but is based on working capital rather than cash. Elected Members can also refer to the quarterly budget reviews for more detailed final information as these become available.

#### Amended Budget

The amended budget column in the Overall Income Statement and Municipal Plan Summary (Attachment A) includes projects/programs carried forward from 2017/18 into 2018/19 for completion.

#### Investments Report

This report details all cash and investments, by institution, and provides information on interest rate returns, maturities and policy compliance. Interest earned is at a weighted average return of 2.72%. This compares well to the 90 day bank Bill Swap rate, (BBSW), of 2.07%

#### Accounts Receivable Report

This report details Rate receipt collection, outstanding general debtors, and performance on Rates recovery compared to the previous year. The report also

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SUBJECT: MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - JANUARY 2019

includes additional information on infringement debtors, rates arrears, rates struck and rates outstanding (bar chart).

#### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

Nil

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

#### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

#### RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The information that is provided is considered to more than achieve statutory compliance as set out following:

Part 8 of the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations require that a monthly financial report is presented to Council. Regulation 18 states:-

- 1. The CEO must, in each month, lay before a meeting of the council a report, in a form approved by the council, setting out:
  - a) The actual income and expenditure of the council for the period from the commencement of the financial year to the end of the previous month: and
  - b) The forecast income and expenditure for the whole of the financial year
- 2. The report must include:
  - a) Details of all cash and investments held by the council (including money held in trust); and
  - A statement on the debts owed to the council including the aggregate amount owed under each category with a general indication of the age of the debts; and
  - c) Other information required by the Council.
- 3. If a council does not hold a meeting in a particular month, the report is to be laid before the council committee performing the council's financial functions for the particular month.

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It should be noted that monthly financial reports are not independently audited, but are subject to internal control and review processes.

#### **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.

## RUSSELL HOLDEN FINANCE MANAGER

SCOTT WATERS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

For enquiries, please contact Russell Holden on 89300233 or email: r.holden@darwin.nt.gov.au.

#### **Attachments:**

Attachment A: Monthly Financial Report - January 2019

### **ATTACHMENT A**

## Income Statement For the Period Ended 31/01/2019



		2018/19			
	Full Original	Full Amended	YTD	YTD v FAB	
	Budget \$'000	Budget \$'000	Actual \$'000	%	
% of year elapsed				58%	
Income from Continuing Operations					Comment
Rates & Annual Charges	71,678	71,919	71,911	100%	No issues
User Charges, Fees & Other	24,387	24,387	14,861	61%	No issues
Interest & Investment Revenue	1,913	1,913	1,561	82%	No issues
Grants & Contributions - Operating	5,319	3,621	2,507	69%	No issues
Total Income from Continuing Operations	103,297	101,840	90,840	89%	
Less Expenses from Continuing Operations					
Employee Costs	33,661	33,593	18,951	56%	No issues
Borrowing Costs	790	790	163	21%	No issues
Materials and Services	48,103	49,041	30,578	62%	Above Target
Depreciation and Amortisation	27,353	31,318	18,269	58%	No issues
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations	109,907	114,742	67,960	59%	
Operating Result - Continuing Operations	(6,610)	(12,902)	22,880		
Grants & Contributions - Capital	10,115	7,615	11	0%	Below Target
Net Operating Result For the Year	3,505	(5,287)	22,891		

#### Income Statement

Explanation of Columns: "Full Original Budget" and "Full Amended Budget" are annual amounts. YTD Actual is year to date. YTD v FAB is the % of actuals achieved against the full year amended budget.

**Outlines** income and operating expenses. Capital expenditure has been excluded however depreciation expense has been recognised. The net operating surplus or deficit for the reporting period is a measure of Council's financial performance. This figure is determined by deducting total operating expenses including depreciation from total operating revenue.

**Operating income:** Rates are recognised at the beginning of the year hence 100% achieved. User charges, fees and other revenue right on track. Operating grants & contributions are showing 69% achieved as library grants received in full for the year. Funbus grant for 1st payment schedule received. FAA Grant for the first two quarters of the year have been received.

**Operating expenses:** Overall expenditure appears reasonable for this 7th month of the financial year. Borrowing expenses paid in November and the next scheduled payment is in May 2018. Depreciation expense is expected to exceed budget as additional assets were recognised at year end in 17/18. Materials and Services are tracking above budget and can be attributed in part to increase in insurance premiums, higher temporary labor cost, higher water expenditure and continuing Cyclone Marcus recovery works. Cost will be monitored and addressed during budget quarterly review.

Capital income: Anticipated capital grants will not be received until later in the year.

Manager Finance: There are no overall concerns in relation to the original budget.



#### Municipal Plan Summary For the Period Ended 31/01/2019

		2018/19		
	Full Original	Full Amended	YTD	YTD v FAB
	Budget \$'000	Budget \$'000	Actual \$'000	%
% of year elapsed				58%
Funds From Operating Activities				
Net Operating Result From Above	3,505	(5,287)	22,891	
Add back depreciation (not cash)	27,353	31,318	18,269	
Net Funds Provided (or used in) Operating Activities	30,858	26,031	41,160	
Funds From Investing activities				
Sale of Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	801	801	165	21%
Purchase of Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	(32,470)	(41,067)	(7,053)	17%
Net Funds Provided (or used in) Investing Activities	(31,669)	(40,266)	(6,889)	
Funds From Financing Activities				
Proceeds from borrowings & advances	3,000	3,000	-	0%
Repayment of borrowings & advances	(422)	(422)	(207)	49%
Net Funds Provided (or used in) Financing Activities	2,578	2,578	(207)	
Net Increase (-Decrease) in Funds Before Transfers	1,767	(11,657)	34,064	
Transfers from (-to) Reserves	(1,767)	11,657	3,552	
Net Increase (-Decrease) in Funds After Transfers	_	-	37,616	

#### **Municipal Plan Summary**

Outlines This statement outlines Councils entire budget in accordance with the published municipal plan. It shows the effect on General Funds (original budget - break even/nil). It groups items into operating, investing and financing and has a very close relationship to cash flows , which is why it is presented in the same international format. It eliminates the depreciation calculation and discloses totals for asset sales and purchases as well as loan raising and repayments. Finally it discloses the transfers to & from cash backed reserves which are detailed in the quarterly budget review reports.

Full Amended Budget: Includes carry forwards from 2017/18

Net funds provided by operating activities: These will reduce throughout the year to equate more closely to budget as the rates struck are expended.

Sale of Plant & Equipment: This appears low and should increase once fleet purchases are achieved.

**Purchase of Infrastructure, property etc.** This is 17% spent compared to 58% of year elpased.

**Transfers from (-to) reserves:** This discloses the transfers to & from cash backed reserves.

Manager Finance: There are no overall concerns in relation to the budgets.

## Statement of Financial Position For the Period Ended 31/01/2019



2017-18 Audited Actual \$'000		Full Original Budget \$'000	2017/18 Full Amended Budget \$'000	YTD Actual \$'000
	Current Assets			
14,572	Cash at Bank & Investments	13,046	14,993	29,418
46,635	Cash at Bank & Investments - externally restricted	35,351	42,806	46,380
22,236	Cash at Bank & Investments - internally restricted	3,176	14,408	18,939
8,942	Receivables	8,498	8,942	22,498
92	Inventories	110	92	180
-	Other	-	-	-
92,477		60,181	81,241	117,415
	Non-Current Assets			
1,000,070	Infrastructure, Property, Plant and Equipment	1,025,558	1,009,018	988,690
1,000,070		1,025,558	1,009,018	988,690
1,092,547	TOTAL ASSETS	1,085,739	1,090,259	1,106,105
	Current Liabilities			
15,379	Payables	11,695	15,379	6,306
423	Borrowings	422	422	215
7,290	Provisions & Other Liabilities	8,171	7,290	7,241
23,092		20,288	23,091	13,762
	Non-Current Liabilities			
4,624	Borrowings	7,059	7,624	4,624
29,092	Provisions	19,900	29,092	29,092
33,716		26,959	36,716	33,716
56,808	TOTAL LIABILITIES	47,247	59,807	47,478
1,035,739	NET ASSETS	1,038,492	1,030,452	1,058,627
	Equity			
669,421	Asset Revaluation Reserve	597,461	669,421	600,552
366,318	Retained Surplus	441,031	361,031	458,076
1,035,739	TOTAL EQUITY	1,038,492	1,030,452	1,058,627

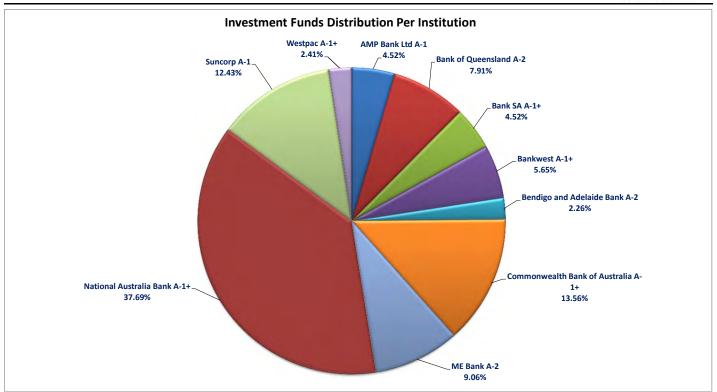
#### Statement of Financial Position Comments:

The Statement of Financial Position outlines what Council owns (assets) and what it owes (liabilities) at a point in time. Council's net worth is determined by deducting total liabilities from total assets - the larger the net equity, the stronger the financial position.

Manager Finance: there are no concerns in relation to the original budgets at this stage. Note that the full original budget is as published in the adopted Municipal Plan 2018/19. The full amended budget column is based on the audited closing balances as at 30/6/2018 plus Council approved amendments, the YTD Actual column is based on audited actual closing balances as at 30/6/2018 and adjustment of actual movements since.



#### **INVESTMENTS REPORT TO COUNCIL AS AT 31 JANUARY 2019**



#### **Portfolio vs Investment Policy**

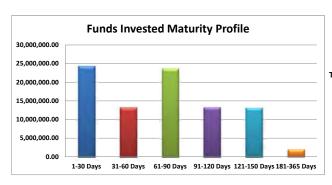
COUNTERPARTY (ADI)	CREDIT RATING (ST)	Policy Limit	% of Total Portfolio
AMP Bank Ltd	A-1	30%	4.52%
Bank of Queensland	A-2	10%	7.91%
Bank SA	A-1+	40%	4.52%
Bankwest	A-1+	40%	5.65%
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	A-2	10%	2.26%
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	A-1+	40%	13.56%
ME Bank	A-2	10%	9.06%
National Australia Bank	A-1+	40%	37.69%
Suncorp	A-1	30%	12.43%
Westpac	A-1+	40%	2.41%
Grand Total			100.00%

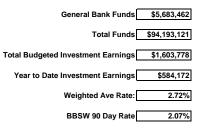
TERM TO MATURITY	Policy Min.	Policy Max.	% of Total Portfolio
< 1 YEAR	30%	100%	100%
> 1 YEAR	0%	50%	0%
> 3 YEARS	0%	30%	0%
> 5 YEARS	0%	10%	0%
Grand Total			100.00%

CREDIT RATING (ST)	Policy Limit	% of Total Portfolio
A-1+	100%	63.83%
A-1	45%	16.95%
A-2	25%	19.23%
Grand Total		100.00%

INSTITUTION CATEGORY	Institution Category Limits	% of Total Portfolio
MAJOR BANK	100%	53.66%
REGIONAL BANK	45%	46.34%
Grand Total		100.00%

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		CREDIT	CREDIT					
INSTITUTION	COUNTERDARTY (ADI)	RATING	RATING		MATURITY DATE	INTEREST	DDINGIDAL ¢	% of Total Portfolio
CATEGORY MAJOR BANK	COUNTERPARTY (ADI)	(ST)	(LT)	TYPE	MATURITY DATE	RATE	PRINCIPAL \$ \$47,493,580	53.66%
	Commonwealth Bank of Australia						\$12,000,000	13.56%
		A-1+	AA-	TD	5 February 2019	2.37%	\$2,000,000	2.26%
					5 March 2019 19 March 2019	2.46%	\$2,000,000	2.26% 2.26%
					2 April 2019	2.81% 2.53%	\$2,000,000 \$4,000,000	4.52%
					21 May 2019	2.69%	\$2,000,000	2.26%
	National Australia Bank						\$33,357,462	37.69%
	Haddian Additional Dank	A-1+	AA-	TD	12 February 2019	2.71%	\$4,000,000	4.52%
					19 February 2019	2.82%	\$1,000,000	1.13%
					5 March 2019 2 April 2019	2.79% 2.56%	\$2,000,000 \$2,052,787	2.26% 2.32%
					9 April 2019	2.76%	\$4,068,589	4.60%
					23 April 2019	2.76%	\$1,052,088	1.19%
					30 April 2019 7 May 2019	2.73% 2.73%	\$2,052,325 \$3,000,000	2.32% 3.39%
					14 May 2019	2.74%	\$2,000,000	2.26%
					14 May 2019 21 May 2019	2.77% 2.73%	\$1,034,028 \$2,000,000	1.17% 2.26%
					18 June 2019	2.78%	\$5,064,800	5.72%
					25 June 2019	2.77%	\$4,032,844	4.56%
	Westpac						\$2,136,118	2.41%
		A-1+	AA-	TD	23 April 2019	2.73%	\$1,078,030	1.22%
					30 April 2019	2.72%	\$1,058,088	1.20%
REGIONAL BANK							\$41,016,079	46.34%
	AMP Bank Ltd		_				\$4,000,000	4.52%
		A-1	Α	TD	12 February 2019 2 April 2019	2.80% 2.92%	\$2,000,000 \$2,000,000	2.26% 2.26%
	Bank of Queensland	A-2	BBB+	TD	26 February 2019	2.73%	<b>\$7,000,000</b> \$1,000,000	<b>7.91%</b> 1.13%
		/ 2	5551	10	26 February 2019	2.75%	\$1,000,000	1.13%
					26 March 2019	2.73%	\$1,000,000	1.13%
					16 April 2019 16 April 2019	2.73% 2.75%	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	1.13% 1.13%
					23 April 2019	2.75%	\$2,000,000	2.26%
	Bank SA						\$4,000,000	4.52%
		A-1+	AA-	TD	5 February 2019	2.74%	\$2,000,000	2.26%
					28 May 2019	2.85%	\$2,000,000	2.26%
	Bankwest						\$5,000,000	5.65%
		A-1+	AA-	TD	19 February 2019 19 February 2019	2.65% 2.80%	\$2,000,000 \$1,000,000	2.26% 1.13%
					12 March 2019	2.80%	\$2,000,000	2.26%
	Des Process I A Intel <sup>®</sup> In Book						40.000.000	0.000/
	Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	A-2	BBB+	TD	26 March 2019	2.80%	<b>\$2,000,000</b> \$2,000,000	<b>2.26%</b> 2.26%
	ME Bank	A-2	BBB	TD	19 February 2019	2.70%	<b>\$8,016,079</b> \$2,000,000	<b>9.06%</b> 2.26%
					26 February 2019	2.85%	\$1,016,079	1.15%
					9 April 2019 3 September 2019	2.80% 2.73%	\$2,000,000 \$2,000,000	2.26% 2.26%
					14 May 2019	2.73%	\$1,000,000	1.13%
	Suncarn						\$11,000,000	10 420/
	Suncorp	A-1	A+	TD	19 February 2019	2.82%	<b>\$11,000,000</b> \$1,000,000	<b>12.43%</b> 1.13%
					19 March 2019	2.70%	\$2,000,000	2.26%
					6 February 2019 4 June 2019	2.60% 2.75%	\$4,000,000 \$2,000,000	4.52% 2.26%
					11 June 2019	2.75%	\$2,000,000	2.26%
Grand Total							\$88,509,659	100.00%



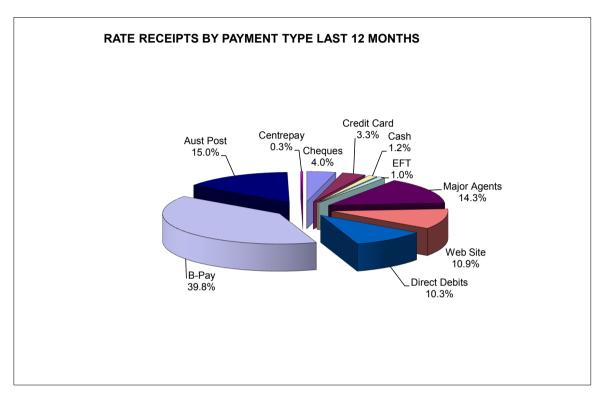


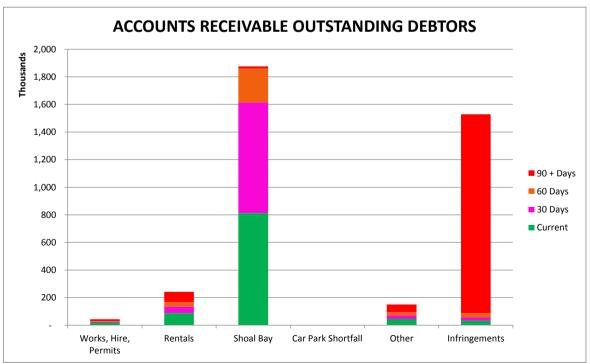
Council has an arrangement with its financial institution the Commonwealth Bank of Australia to offset Council's overdraft facility against pooled funds held in Council's Trust Account and General Account

Trust Bank Account \$483,101

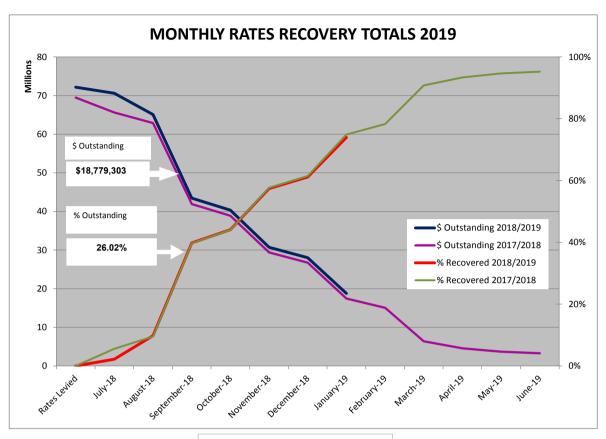


# FINANCE DEPARTMENT SERVICE LEVEL REPORT TO COUNCIL FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2019

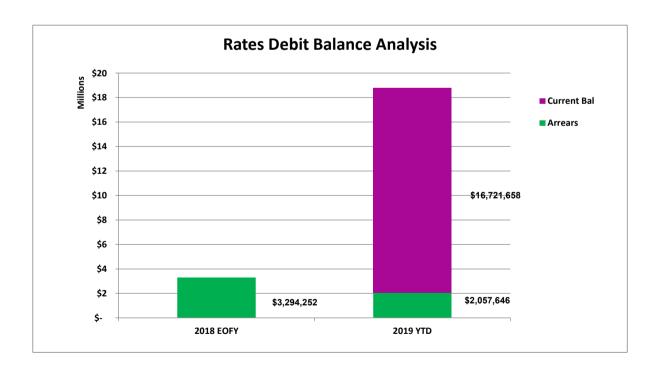




Pursuant to Local Government (Accounting) Regulations Sec 18(2)(b) the chart labelled "Accounts Receivable Outstanding Debtors" represents sundry debts owed to Council on an "aged" basis.



The chart labelled "Monthly Rates Recovery Totals" represents the amounts currently outstanding in Rates to Council, rates are either due or overdue and no further "ageing" is possible.



ENCL: 2ND ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING/OPEN AGENDA ITEM: 14.2.2

## QUARTERLY ON STREET - OFF STREET PARKING STATISTICS OCTOBER TO DECEMBER 2018

REPORT No.: 19CF0115 LC:nt COMMON No.: 376351 DATE: 26/02/2019

Presenter: Manager Economic Development, Tourism & International

Relations, Liam Carroll

Approved: General Manager Innovation, Growth and Development,

**Joshua Sattler** 

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide statistical information for car parking in the Darwin Central Business District (CBD) for the quarter ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018.

#### 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

2 Vibrant, Flexible and Tropical Lifestyle

#### **Outcome**

2.1 Improved access and connectivity

#### **Key Strategies**

2.1.4 Provide parking facilities to meet community needs

#### **KEY ISSUES**

- For the three month period to December 2018 Council generated a total of \$1.1 million from on and off street car parking.
- This is the same total of \$1.1 million for the same period last year.
- Payment by mobile phone continues to grow with 36% of all payments being made through the "PayStay" mobile phone app, 25% by credit card and 39% by cash for the quarter to December 2018.
- 3 meters from Woods Street were removed on the 15/11/2018, to allow for the construction of the Garramilla Boulevard.
- The introduction of free on street parking over the Christmas period from mid-December to mid-January 2019 is estimated to have resulted in \$129,000 in reduced car parking revenue for that period; this will be the subject of a further report to Council.

REPORT NUMBER: 19CF0115 LC:nt

SUBJECT: QUARTERLY ON STREET - OFF STREET PARKING STATISTICS -

OCTOBER TO DECEMBER 2018

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT Report Number 19CF0115 LC:nt entitled Quarterly On Street - Off Street Parking Statistics – October - December 2018, be received and noted.

#### DISCUSSION

#### **ON-STREET CAR PARKING**

Council provides a total of 1683 on-street car parking bays across Zones A, B & C in the CBD.

For the quarter October – December 2018, council generated a total of \$514,575 for on street car parking. Total on street revenue is down \$17,546 on the previous year's quarter. Zone A decreased by \$39,630, but Zone B increased by \$27,655 and Zone C decreased by \$5,571.

	Number of Bays	_	let Quarterly Income Oct - Dec 2018/2019	Net YTD Income 2018/2019	ľ	Net Quarterly Income Oct - Dec 2017/2018	Net YTD Income 2017/2018
Actual Income	677	\$	275,170	\$ 610,104	\$	314,800	\$ 676,071
% of Potential Income			31%	34%		36%	38%
Actual Income	557	\$	125,530	\$ 263,787	\$	97,875	\$ 222,141
% of Potential Income			24%	25%		19%	21%
Actual Income	449	\$	113,875	\$ 243,854	\$	119,446	\$ 237,888
% of Potential Income			58%	62%		62%	62%
Actual Income	1683	\$	514,575	\$ 1,117,745	\$	532,121	\$ 1,136,100
% of Potential Income			32%	34%		33%	35%

#### **INFRINGEMENTS**

A total of 4591 infringements were issued in the CBD including off-street car parks for the period October to December 2018, this figure is down 218 for the same period last year.

#### **OFF-STREET CAR PARKING**

Council provides a total of 2,155 off-street parking bays of which 355 of these are reserved bays.

For the quarter October – December 2018 Council generated a total \$577,483 in off street car parking revenue which is up \$13,019 compared to the previous year's quarter.

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			Number of Bays	Net Quarterly Income Oct - Dec 2018/2019	YTD Net Income 2018/2019	Net Quarterly Income Oct - Dec 2017/2018	Inc	
Westlane	Reserved Bays	Actual Income	94	\$37,217	100me			
	Casual Bays	Actual Income	343	\$167,195	\$317,782	\$ 154,096	\$	295,415
	% of Potential Income		343	84%				82%
Cavenagh St	Reserved Bays	Actual Income	39	\$0	\$29,466	\$ 534	\$	52,716
	Casual Bays	Actual Income	0.50	\$105,219			-	
	% of Potential Income		352	97%	100%	101%		102%
McLachlan St	Casual Bays	Actual Income		\$19,975	\$41,887	\$ 21,197	\$	
	% of Potential Income		86	75%	78%	81%		83%
McMinn St	Casual Bays	Actual Income		\$40,700	\$85,843	\$ 43.361	S	87.916
	% of Potential Income	1,141,441,14	238	92%				
Mitchell/Daly	Reserved Bays	Actual Income	13	\$0	2.45-7515	17.7.7.7	S	
	Casual Bays	Actual Income		\$15,821			-	
	% of Potential Income	7 SOLUGIA INCOLLIS	85	100%				
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	Casual Bays	Actual Income		\$33.679	17 11 3 4 St H -	1.35		
	% of Potential Income		105	104%				
Chinatown	Reserved Bays	Actual Income	64	\$110		Co. Co. Co. Co. Co. Co. Co. Co. Co. Co.	S	2000
	Casual Bays	Actual Income	3.0	\$108,455				
	% of Potential Income		426	63%				
Darwin Oval	Reserved Bays	Actual Income	20	\$0	2010	5,575	\$	F345 1945
	Casual Bays	Actual Income		\$16,126		100		
	% of Potential Income		52	101%			-	
Stott Ln	Reserved Bays	Actual Income	25	-\$955			\$	
	Casual Bays	Actual Income		\$7,791			\$	The Party of
	% of Potential Income		20	76%				
Woods St	Casual Bays	Actual Income		\$4.375			\$	
12.1	% of Potential Income		- 55	62%	200			
Civic Ctr	Reserved Bays	Actual Income	62	\$14,711			S	
Mitchell St	Casual Bays	Actual Income		\$7.064	0.000	2 2 2 2 2 2	-	
	% of Potential Income		38	114%		7		10-10-1-1
Total	Reserved Bays	Actual Income	355	\$51,083	\$448,928		\$	567,924
	Casual Bays	Actual Income	1	\$526,400	\$1,047,799		-	1,004,928
	% of Potential Incom	e	1800	82%	81%	85%		84%
GRA	AND TOTAL		2155	\$ 577,483		\$ 564,464	S	1,572,852

#### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

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

- Car Park Office Administrator
- Supervisory Regulatory Services Administration

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

#### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Council's budget for on and off street parking income is \$4.6 million for 2018/19

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#### 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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#### 15. INFORMATION ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

15.1 <u>Incoming Letter - Member for Port Darwin - Cavenagh Street Project</u> (26/02/19) Common No. 3599758

The incoming letter is Attachment A.

Dear Lord Mayor, Alderman and CEO,

As local member for the Port Darwin Electorate, I have been working closely with businesses in and around Cavenagh Street while the recent upgrades have been taking place.

It is to this end that I raise concerns on behalf of the businesses through Cavenagh Street. The commencement of the next phase of the cooling project will begin shortly and when coupled with business pressures they are already facing, conditions may prove unsustainable for some businesses to cope with.

I would like to propose that the City of Darwin instigate a trial of 2 hours free parking through Cavenagh Street to coincide with the upcoming works. This will enable the CoD and NTG to encourage people to continue to use the businesses in the vicinity, and demonstrate to businesses that we sympathise with their plight. A trial will give the opportunity to assess any information and data before committing to any extension

It was great to read the article in the NT News on Monday 21 January on the success of the Free Parking in the city and the positive impact it has had on retail business. We are working closely with promoters to organise events in Cavenagh Street throughout the year to help promote the businesses.

We have had such positive feedback on social media and throughout the Electorate about work finished to date and the new garden and the changing appearance of Cavenagh Street, it would be a good gesture to acknowledge the hardship these businesses have endured.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Paul Kirby MLA

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#### 15. INFORMATION ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

15.2 <u>Incoming letter - RSPCA Darwin - Special Purpose Grants</u> (26/02/19) Common No. 3989152

The incoming letter is Attachment B.



19th February 2019

The Right Worshipful The Lord Mayor of Darwin Kon Vatskalis JP
City of Darwin
Via email to: Lord.mayor@darwin.nt.gov.au

Dear Lord Mayor,

RSPCA Darwin has played an active role in the local community since 1965; we are an independent, local incorporated association as well as a federation member of the RSPCA Australia, one of Australia's most trusted charities recognised by 89% of Australians. Despite being the smallest member society, our Top End shelter achieves many Australian and international leading outcomes. We provide a sanctuary for a diverse group of animals including, stray animals being held for the statutory period, seized animals that have suffered harm and are awaiting legal processes, animals undergoing veterinary treatment and animals awaiting adoption.

Over the coming years, we intend on continuing to provide the very best service to the local community and community animals. As part of our strategic plan, we will be increasing our efforts in preventative action. We are currently developing a vet clinic to be a major enabler of these activities. We would like to work with local council in improving responsible pet ownership and believe a partnership between local councils, such as Darwin, and RSPCA Darwin would be the most effective way to make such developments.

The Northern Territory Government has recently called for local governments to apply for special purchase grants. We would like to discuss the potential to partner with City of Darwin to apply for the local government special purpose grant and any other opportunities, in which we would like to propose the following programs:

- Youth volunteering program (aged 15 25 years), get youth involved in community work and diverted away from unlawful activity.
- Community desexing and microchipping program to improve animal management
- Dog training area/school for dogs area and program to improve animal management

We are excited to see our vision come to fruition and would be thrilled to be working with council to deliver more for the animals in need and the community at large. We are keen to have the opportunity to work with you on this, so please let me know if you would like to discuss any aspects of this proposal.

Given the current application round closes on 4 March, we would welcome an opportunity to develop a proposal as the soonest opportunity. RSPCA Darwin's contact for this is Shae Khreish, Acting General Manager available on 08 8984 3795 or sheltermanager@rspcadarwin.org.au.

Yours sincerely

Danny Moore

Chair

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#### 16. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### 17. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

#### 18. GENERAL BUSINESS

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

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 12 March 2019, at 5:30pm (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Council Chambers, 1st Floor, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

### 20. 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.

#### 21. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON