Agenda

Ordinary Council Meeting

I hereby give notice that an Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on:

Date: Tuesday, 1 December 2026

Time: 5:30 pm

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

Webcasting: MS Teams Link to Webcast

Simone Saunders

Chief Executive Officer

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Right Worshipful, the Lord Mayor Peter Styles (Chair)

Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

Councillor Nicole Brown

Councillor Shani Carson

Councillor Kim Farrar

Councillor Julie Fraser

Councillor Edwin Joseph

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Councillor Clarence McCarthy-Grogan

Councillor Mick Palmer

Councillor Peter Pangquee

Councillor Patrik Ralph

OFFICERS

Chief Executive Officer, Simone Saunders

General Manager Community, Matt Grassmayr

General Manager Corporate, Natalie Williamson

General Manager Innovation, Alice Percy

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Nil

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Nil

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Nil

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Nil

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Nil

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14.1 ADVISORY COMMITTEE OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Author: **A/Manager Office of Council and CEO**

Authoriser: **Chief Executive Officer**

Attachments:

1. **Unconfirmed Open Minutes Risk Management and Audit Committee 16 October 2026** ⇩
2. **Unconfirmed Open Minutes Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee 5 November 2026** ⇩
3. **Unconfirmed Open Minutes Reconciliation Advisory Committee 16 November 2026** ⇩

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT the report entitled Advisory Committee Open Meeting Minutes be received and noted.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present the open minutes of the Advisory Committee meetings held in October and November 2026 to Council.

KEY ISSUES

- The unconfirmed open minutes of the Risk Management and Audit Committee of 16 October 2026 are included at **Attachment 1**.
- The unconfirmed open minutes of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee of 5 November 2026 are included at **Attachment 2**.
- The unconfirmed open minutes of the Reconciliation Advisory Committee of 16 November 2026 are included at **Attachment 3**.

DISCUSSION

This report provides the minutes for the following committees:

- Risk Management and Audit Committee
- Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee
- Reconciliation Advisory Committee

Any recommendations that arise from the committee meetings will be presented to Council in a separate report.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL RESOLUTION

At the 29 September 2026 meeting Council resolved:

RESOLUTION ORD367/26

THAT the report entitled Advisory Committee Open Meeting Minutes be received and noted.

CARRIED 13/0

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT	6 Governance Framework 6.1 Vision and Culture
BUDGET / FINANCIAL / RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS	Nil
LEGISLATION / POLICY CONTROLS OR IMPACTS	**Legislation:** *Local Government Act 2019* **Policy:** Meetings Policy Advisory and Other Committees Policy
CONSULTATION, ENGAGEMENT & COMMUNICATION	Nil
DECLARATION OF INTEREST	The report author does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter. The report authoriser does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter. If a conflict of interest exists, staff will not act in the matter, except as authorised by the CEO or Council (as the case requires).

Minutes

Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting

Friday, 16 October 2026

Unconfirmed

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MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN
RISK MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS DARRANDIRRA, LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY CHAN AVENUE, DARWIN
ON FRIDAY, 16 OCTOBER 2026 AT 9:00 AM

PRESENT:

Chairperson Roland Chin
Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris
Community Member Sanja Hill
Community Member Tanya Jacobs
Councillor Mick Palmer
Community Member Shara Reid

OFFICERS:

Chief Executive Officer, Simone Saunders
General Manager Corporate, Natalie Williamson

APOLOGY:

Councillor Nicole Brown

GUESTS:

Nil

Unconfirmed

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Unconfirmed

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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2 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Chair declared the meeting open at 9:02 am.

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 APOLOGIES

Nil

31.2 ABSENT

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT Councillor Nicole Brown be noted as absent from the meeting.

3.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

Nil

3.4 LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTED

Nil

Unconfirmed

4 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

4.1 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE GRANTED

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT the Committee note that pursuant to Section 95 (43) of the *Local Government Act 2019,* the following member(s) was granted permission for Electronic Meeting Attendance:

- Shara Reid

4.2 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE REQUESTED

Nil

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

5.1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the Committee note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Chairperson Roland Chin, declared the following Standing Conflicts of Interests:
   - President of Chung Wah Society Inc.
   - Member of Audit and Risk Committee for Venture Housing Company limited
   - Chair of Audit Risk and Compliance Committee for Charles Darwin University
   - Chair of RMAC Department of Corrections
   - Board Member of Tiwi land Council.
   - Board Member of Power & Water Corporation
2. THAT the Committee note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Member Sanja Hill, declared a Standing Conflict of Interest:
   - Board Member of Melaluca Australia
   - Deputy Chair of Risk and Audit Committee for the Northern Territory Department of Health
3. THAT the Committee note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Member Shara Reid declared a Standing Conflict of Interests
   - Board Member of Audit and Risk Management Committee for the Department of Justice and Attorney-General Queensland
   - Ethnic Committee Member for DanceSport Australia
   - Committee Member of the Risk Management and Audit Committee for Huon Valley Council.
4. THAT the Committee note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris, declared a Standing Conflict of Interest in any items relating to Power and Water Corporation.

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5. THAT the Committee note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Councillor Nicole Brown, declared the following Standing Conflicts of Interests:
   - Board Member of Airport Development Group Indigenous Advisory Committee
   - Board Member of North Australia Indigenous Land and Sea Management
   - Family Business Interest with North Australia Projects and Services.
6. THAT the Committee note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Member Tanya Jacobs, declared the following Standing Conflicts of Interests:
   - Chair of Risk Management and Audit Committee for the Darwin Turf Club
   - Board Member of the Dawin Turf Club
   - Senior Manager Risk, Compliance and Internal Audit Power and Water Corporation.

5.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY STAFF

Nil

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC028/26

Moved: Community Member Tanya Jacobs
Seconded: Community Member Shara Reid

THAT the minutes of the Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting held on 31 July 2026 be confirmed.

CARRIED 6/0

7 MOVING OF ITEMS

7.1 MOVING OF ITEMS INTO CONFIDENTIAL

Nil

7.2 MOVING OF CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS INTO OPEN

Nil

Unconfirmed

7.3 MOVING CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS TO OPEN AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

18.1 AUDITED ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC033/26

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris
Seconded: Councillor Mick Palmer

1. THAT the report entitled Audited Annual Financial Statements for Year Ended 30 June 2026 be received and noted.
2. THAT the Risk Management and Audit Committee recommend that the Draft Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 June 2026 are suitable for certification by the Chief Executive Officer for inclusion in the Annual Report 2025/2026 and presented to Council.
3. THAT the Draft Audit Closing Report, inclusive of the Management responses, be received and noted.
4. THAT the Financial Reports and Financial Tables, to be included in the Annual Report 2025/26, be received and noted.
5. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*.
6. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

CARRIED 6/0

18.2 CITY OF DARWIN DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT 2025/26

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC034/26

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris
Seconded: Community Member Sanja Hill

1. THAT the report entitled City of Darwin Draft Annual Report 2025/26 be received and noted
2. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
3. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

CARRIED 6/0

18.3 INTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC035/26

Moved: Community Member Tanya Jacobs
Seconded: Community Member Sanja Hill

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

Unconfirmed

CARRIED 6/0

18.4 RISK REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT - OCTOBER 2026

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC036/26

Moved: Community Member Tanya Jacobs
Seconded: Community Member Sanja Hill

1. THAT the report entitled Risk Review and Assessment – October 2026 be received and noted.
2. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
3. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

CARRIED 6/0

18.5 CYCLONE PREPAREDNESS UPDATE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC037/26

Moved: Community Member Sanja Hill
Seconded: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

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

CARRIED 6/0

18.6 SHOAL BAY WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY - OCTOBER 2026 UPDATE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC038/26

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris
Seconded: Community Member Tanya Jacobs

1. THAT the report entitled Shoal Bay Waste Management Facility - October 2026 Update be received and noted.
2. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*
3. THAT the documents remain confidential, and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

CARRIED 6/0

18.7 CIVIC CENTRE PROJECT UPDATE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC039/26

Moved: Councillor Mick Palmer
Seconded: Community Member Sanja Hill

Unconfirmed

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

CARRIED 6/0

8 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS

Nil

9 OFFICER REPORTS

9.1 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS - JUNE TO AUGUST 2026

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC029/26

Moved: Councillor Mick Palmer
Seconded: Community Member Sanja Hill

THAT the report entitled Monthly Financial Reports – June to August 2026 be received and noted.

CARRIED 6/0

9.2 PROPOSED MEETING DATES AND REPORT SCHEDULE 2027

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC030/26

Moved: Community Member Tanya Jacobs
Seconded: Community Member Sanja Hill

1. THAT the report entitled Proposed Meeting Dates and Report Schedule - 2027 be received and noted.
2. THAT the Risk Management and Audit Committee endorse the Proposed Meeting Dates and Report Schedule 2027.

CARRIED 6/0

Unconfirmed

9.3 REVIEW OF FRAUD PREVENTION POLICY

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC031/26

Moved: Community Member Shara Reid
Seconded: Community Member Tanya Jacobs

1. THAT the report entitled Review of Fraud Prevention Policy and Procedure be received and noted.
2. THAT the Risk Management and Audit Committee recommends that Council adopts the revised Fraud Prevention Policy at **Attachment 2.**

CARRIED 6/0

THAT an administrative amendment be made to the Review of Fraud Prevention Policy, to include the wording '…workplace participants must identify, disclose and manage any actual or perceived conflicts of interest that may arise in the performance of their duties', in section 3.4 Conflicts of Interest.

10 MEMBER REPORTS

Nil

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

12 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT the next Risk Management and Audit Committee be held on Tuesday, 1 January 2030, at 5:30 PM - Test date for Training Purposes (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Council Chambers Darrandirra, Level 1, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

13 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

Unconfirmed

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

18.1 Audited Annual Financial Statements for Year Ended 30 June 2026

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

18.2 City of Darwin Draft Annual Report 2025/26

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

18.3 Internal Audit Update

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

18.4 Risk Review and Assessment - October 2026

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

18.5 Cyclone Preparedness Update

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

18.6 Shoal Bay Waste Management Facility - October 2026 Update

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

18.7 Civic Centre Project Update

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

Unconfirmed

14 CLOSURE/ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT the open section of the meeting be adjourned at 9:22am.

THAT the open section of the meeting be resumed at 12:04pm.

THAT the chair declared the meeting closed at 12:04pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting held February 2027

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CHAIR

Unconfirmed

Minutes

Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday, 5 November 2026

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MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN
ACCESS AND INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE MEETING ROOM GUYUGWA (CASUARINA LIBRARY MEETING ROOM), 17 BRADSHAW TERRACE, CASUARINA
ON THURSDAY, 5 NOVEMBER 2026 AT 1:30 PM

PRESENT:

Chairperson Tiffany Brown
Council on the Ageing NT Cecilia Chiolero
Community Member Bryony Crowe
Community Member Ella McGugan-Wevill
National Disability Services NT Wendy Morton
Community Member Helen Pachos
Community Member Rikki Dehne
Member Clarence McCarthy-Grogan

OFFICERS:

Executive Manager Community and Cultural Services, Angela O'Donnell
Senior Coordinator Community Inclusion, Andrew Aragala

APOLOGY:

Community Member Jorge Palma
Department of Infrastructure and Logistics Simon Gillam
Department of Lands Planning and Environment Alison Warwick

NOT PRESENT

Community Member Jessica Simmons

GUESTS:

Youth Engagement Officer, Community, Jess Moon

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Council on the Ageing NT Cecilia Chiolero was not present at the commencement of the meeting at 1:31 pm.

2 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC036/26

Moved: Community Member Bryony Crowe
Seconded: Community Member Ella McGugan-Wevill

The Chair declared the meeting open at 1:31 pm.

CARRIED 7/0

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 APOLOGIES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC037/26

Moved: National Disability Services NT Wendy Morton
Seconded: Community Member Helen Pachos

THAT an apology from Community Member Jorge Palma, Department of Infrastructure and Logistics Simon Gillam, and Department of Lands Planning and Environment Alison Warwick be received.

CARRIED 7/0

3.2 ABSENCE WITHOUT PERMISSION

NOTED

THAT in accordance with Section 47(1)(o) of the *Local Government Act 2019* Community Member Jessica Simmons was absent from the meeting without permission

3.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

Nil

Unconfirmed

3.4 LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTED

Nil

4 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

4.1 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE GRANTED

Nil

4.2 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE REQUESTED

Nil

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

5.1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

Nil

5.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY STAFF

Nil

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC038/26

Moved: Community Member Helen Pachos
Seconded: Community Member Ella McGugan-Wevill

That Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting minutes of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting held on 3 September 2026 be amended and confirmed.

CARRIED 7/0

THAT the minutes of the Access and Inclusion Advisorry Committee Meeting held on 3 Septmeber 2026 be confirmed subject to an administrative amendment on item 11 – General Business, to reflect Organisational Member Cecilia Chiolero requested an update on the implementation of the Notice of Motion regarding accessibility and free parking for disability permit holders, previously reported under Committee Resolution AAIAC026/26.

Council on the Ageing NT Cecilia Chiolero joined the meeting at 1:36 pm.

Unconfirmed

7 MOVING OF ITEMS

7.1 MOVING OF ITEMS INTO CONFIDENTIAL

Nil

7.2 MOVING OF CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS INTO OPEN

Nil

7.3 MOVING CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS TO OPEN AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

Nil

8 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS

Nil

9 OFFICER REPORTS

9.1 YOUTH TEAM PROGRAM

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC039/26

Moved: National Disability Services NT Wendy Morton
Seconded: Council on the Ageing NT Cecilia Chiolero

THAT the report entitled Youth Team Program be received and noted.

CARRIED 8/0

9.2 UPDATE ON PARKING FOR DISABILITY PERMIT HOLDERS

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC040/26

Moved: Council on the Ageing NT Cecilia Chiolero
Seconded: Community Member Ella McGugan-Wevill

THAT the report entitled Update On Parking For Disability Permit Holders be received and noted.

CARRIED 8/0

Unconfirmed

9.3 COMMITTEE MEETING DATES 2027

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC041/26

Moved: Council on the Ageing NT Cecilia Chiolero
Seconded: Community Member Helen Pachos

1. THAT the report entitled Meeting Dates 2027 received and noted.
2. THAT the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee sets the following schedule for the meetings for the remainder of 2027:
    a. Meetings to be held on Thursdays
    b. Meetings to be held on:
        i. 4 March 2027
        ii. 3 June 2027
        iii. 5 August 2027
        iv. 7 October 2027
    c. Meetings to be held from 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm.
    d. Meetings to be held at the Casuarina Library Meeting room with the option to meet online when needed.

CARRIED 8/0

9.4 COMMITTEE MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Moved: Chairperson Tiffany Brown
Seconded: Community Member Ella McGugan-Wevill

1. THAT the report entitled Committee Member Spotlight be received and noted.
2. THAT an Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Member Spotlight be trialled as a standing agenda item of the Committee's meeting program for the first meeting in 2027.

CARRIED 7/1

Unconfirmed

10 MEMBER REPORTS

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC042/26

Moved: Council on the Ageing NT Cecilia Chiolero
Seconded: Chairperson Tiffany Brown

THAT the following Member verbal updates be received and noted.

Community Member Ella McGugan-Wevill

- Ella provided an update on recent correspondence and meetings with City of Darwin's Community Inclusion Team regarding opportunities to support community access and participation. Ongoing discussions are being undertaken to identify suitable options for community use.

National Disability Services NT Wendy Morton

- Wendy raised concerns regarding changes to disability and community support funding arrangements and the potential impact on service availability and social participation opportunities. Wendy noted that any future accessible programs considered by City of Darwin should be designed to support a broad range of community members affected by service changes, rather than targeting a single cohort.
- Wendy sought information on how City of Darwin is responding to changes in the service delivery landscape. City of Darwin representatives noted that Council's role is limited in relation to Commonwealth-funded service programs (for example, the NDIS); however, Council continues to support community participation, inclusion initiatives, advocacy, and partnerships where appropriate.

Council on the Ageing NT Cecilia Chiolero

- Cecilia noted the importance of considering older people and carers of adults with complex disabilities when designing programs and services. She also emphasised that digital delivery methods may present barriers for some community members and encouraged consideration of alternative access pathways that do not rely solely on technology. Cecilia further noted the value of recognising social support programs as an important component of community wellbeing and inclusion.

Community Member Helen Pachos

- Helen highlighted the needs of carers supporting adults with complex disabilities, including those with significant communication and physical support requirements.

Community member Tiffany Brown

- Tiffany highlighted the needs of the Deaf community and the importance of ensuring information, programs and engagement opportunities are accessible through appropriate communication formats and supports.

CARRIED 8/0

Unconfirmed

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

11.1 GENERAL BUSINESS

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC043/26

Moved: Community Member Ella McGugan-Wevill
Seconded: Chairperson Tiffany Brown

THAT the following General Business be received and noted.

An update was provided by Andrew Aragala, Senior Inclusion Officer, on progress implementing the Access Strategy.

Key achievements since the previous meeting included accessibility initiatives for the Christmas Pageant, rollout of the Hidden Disabilities Sunflower program, expansion of on-demand Auslan interpreting through Convo Access, the introduction of communication boards, and increased community engagement activities.

The Committee was also updated on current priorities, including digital accessibility improvements, disability access capital works, DiversAbility FUN DAY, and raising awareness of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee across Council.

CARRIED 8/0

12 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT the next Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee be held on Thursday 4 March 2027, at 1:30pm (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Meeting Room Guyugwa (Casuarina Library Meeting Room), 17 Bradshaw Terrace, Casuarina.

13 CLOSURE OF MEETING

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AAIAC044/26

Moved: Member Clarence McCarthy-Grogan
Seconded: Council on the Ageing NT Cecilia Chiolero

THAT the open section of the meeting be adjourned at 3:10 pm.

CARRIED 8/0

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting held on Thursday, 4 March 2027.

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CHAIR

Unconfirmed

Minutes

Reconciliation Advisory Committee Meeting

Monday, 16 November 2026

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MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN
RECONCILIATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE MEETING ROOM BIDJPIDJI (MEETING ROOM 1), LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY CHAN AVENUE, DARWIN
ON MONDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2026 AT 12:00PM

PRESENT:

Larrakia Nation David Kurnoth

City of Darwin Chief Executive Officer Simone Saunders

Community Member Alinta McGuire

Councillor Peter Pangquee

Ironbark Aboriginal Corporation Adam Rogan

NT Indigenous Business Network Hakon Dyrting

OFFICERS:

Executive Manager Community and Cultural Services, Angela O'Donnell

APOLOGY:

CDC Adrian Rotumah

Community Member Nancy Helen Jeffrey

Community Member Jenna Cubillo

GUESTS:

Tamsyn Tapper First Nations Library Trainee

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Councillor Peter Pangquee chaired meeting at the request of the Chair.

Chief Executive Officer Simone Saunders was not present at commencement of the meeting at 12:05pm.

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

City of Darwin acknowledges that we are living and working on Larrakia Country. We acknowledge the Larrakia people as the Traditional Owners of the Darwin region. We pay our respects to the Larrakia elders past and present and support emerging Larrakia leaders now and into the future. City of Darwin is committed to working together with all Larrakia to care for this land and sea for our shared future.

2 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RAC036/26

Moved: Larrakia Nation David Kurnoth
Seconded: Community Member Alinta McGuire

The Chair declared the meeting open at 12:05 pm.

CARRIED 5/0

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 APOLOGIES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RAC037/26

Moved: Community Member Alinta McGuire
Seconded: Ironbark Aboriginal Corporation Adam Rogan

THAT an apology from CDC Adrian Rotumah, Community Member Nancy Helen Jeffrey and Community Member Jenna Cubillo be received.

CARRIED 5/0

3.2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

Nil

3.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTED

Nil

Unconfirmed

4 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

4.1 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE GRANTED

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RAC038/26

Moved: Larrakia Nation David Kurnoth
Seconded: Councillor Peter Pangquee

THAT the Committee note that pursuant to Section 95 (43) of the *Local Government Act 2019,* the following member(s) was granted permission for Electronic Meeting Attendance:

- Community Member Alinta McGuire
- NT Indigenous Business Network Hakon Dyrting

CARRIED 5/0

4.2 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE REQUESTED

Nil

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

5.1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

Nil

5.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY STAFF

Nil

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RAC039/26

Moved: Councillor Peter Pangquee
Seconded: Larrakia Nation David Kurnoth

THAT the minutes of the Reconciliation Advisory Committee Meeting held on 17 August 2026 be confirmed.

CARRIED 5/0

Unconfirmed

7 MOVING OF ITEMS

7.1 MOVING OF ITEMS INTO CONFIDENTIAL

Nil

7.2 MOVING OF CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS INTO OPEN

Nil

7.3 MOVING CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS TO OPEN AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

18.2 CITY OF DARWIN COAT OF ARMS

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RAC047/26

Moved: Larrakia Nation David Kurnoth
Seconded: City of Darwin Chief Executive Officer Simone Saunders

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

CARRIED 6/0

8 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RAC040/26

Moved: Larrakia Nation David Kurnoth
Seconded: Community Member Alinta McGuire

THAT the presentation from Tamsyn Tapper, in relation to the Blak Jobs expo, be received and noted.

CARRIED 5/0

Unconfirmed

9 OFFICER REPORTS

9.1 2027 MEETING DATES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RAC041/26

Moved: Councillor Peter Pangquee
Seconded: Ironbark Aboriginal Corporation Adam Rogan

1. THAT the report entitled 2027 Meeting Dates be received and noted.
2. THAT the Reconciliation Advisory Committee sets its meeting schedule for 2027 as follows:
    a) meetings to be held on Mondays
    b) meetings to be held from 12:00pm to 1:30pm
    c) meetings to be held at Civic Centre and electronically via Teams
    d) meetings to be held on:
        i. 15 February
        ii. 19 April
        iii. 16 August
        iv. 15 November

CARRIED 5/0

9.2 RECONCILIATION COORDINATOR UPDATE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RAC042/26

Moved: NT Indigenous Business Network Hakon Dyrting
Seconded: Larrakia Nation David Kurnoth

THAT the report entitled Reconciliation Coordinator Update be received and noted.

CARRIED 5/0

9.3 RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN DEVELOPMENT

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RAC043/26

Moved: Larrakia Nation David Kurnoth
Seconded: Ironbark Aboriginal Corporation Adam Rogan

THAT the report entitled Reconciliation Action Plan Development be received and noted.

CARRIED 5/0

Chief Executive Officer Simone Saunders joined the meeting at 12:25 pm.

Unconfirmed

10 MEMBER REPORTS

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT the following Member Reports be received and noted.

Larrakia Nation Aboriginal Corporation Representative

- provided an overview of the Larrakia training videos for members.

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

12 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT the next Reconciliation Advisory Committee be held on Monday, 15 February 2027, at 12:00 PM (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Meeting Room Bidjpidji (Meeting Room 1), Level 1, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

13 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

18.1 Membership Update and Vacancy

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

18.2 City of Darwin Coat of Arms

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(ii) of the Local Government Act, and the Committee is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the maintenance or administration of the law.

Unconfirmed

14 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT the open section of the meeting be adjourned at 12:45 pm.

THAT the open section of the meeting be resumed at 1:40 pm.

THAT the chair declared the meeting closed at 1:40 pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Reconciliation Advisory Committee Meeting held on 15 February 2027.

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CHAIR

Unconfirmed

15 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

16 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

17 REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

18 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

19 GENERAL BUSINESS

20 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Wednesday, 27 January 2027, at 5:30 pm (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Council Chambers Darrandirra, Level 1, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

21 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

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

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

28.1 Advisory Committee Confidential Meeting Minutes

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

22 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON

Minutes

Ordinary Council Meeting

Tuesday, 24 November 2026

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MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS DARRANDIRRA, LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY CHAN AVENUE, DARWIN
ON TUESDAY, 24 NOVEMBER 2026 AT 5:30 PM

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PRESENT:

Lord Mayor Peter Styles (Chair)
Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston
Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris
Councillor Nicole Brown
Councillor Shani Carson
Councillor Kim Farrar
Councillor Julie Fraser
Councillor Edwin Joseph
Councillor Sylvia Klonaris
Councillor Clarence McCarthy-Grogan
Councillor Peter Pangquee
Councillor Patrik Ralph

OFFICERS:

Chief Executive Officer, Simone Saunders
General Manager Community, Matt Grassmayr
General Manager Corporate, Natalie Williamson
General Manager Innovation, Alice Percy

APOLOGY:

Councillor Mick Palmer

GUESTS:

Donna Schakelaar

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1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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

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

We support emerging Larrakia leaders now and into the future.

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

2 THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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

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

Amen

Councillor Julie Fraser was not present at the comencement of the meeting at 5:33 pm.

Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston was not present at the comencement of the meeting at 5:33 pm.

3 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

RESOLUTION ORD451/26

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris
Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

The Chair declared the meeting open at 5:33 pm.

CARRIED 10/0

4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4.1 APOLOGIES

Nil

4.2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

RESOLUTION ORD452/26

Moved: Councillor Kim Farrar
Seconded: Councillor Edwin Joseph

THAT it be noted Councillor Mick Palmer is an apology due to a Leave of Absence previously granted on 27 October 2026 for 24 November 2026.

CARRIED 10/0

Unconfirmed

4.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTED

Nil

5 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

5.1 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE GRANTED

RESOLUTION ORD453/26

Moved: Councillor Kim Farrar
Seconded: Councillor Edwin Joseph

THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 95 (3) of the *Local Government Act 2019,* the following Councillor(s) was granted permission for Electronic Meeting Attendance:

- Julie Fraser
- Nicole Brown
- Patrik Ralph

CARRIED 10/0

5.2 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE REQUESTED

Nil

Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston joined the meeting at 5:34 pm.

6 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

6.1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

RESOLUTION ORD454/26

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris
Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

1. THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris, declared a Conflict of Interest in Item 13.5 –Road Reserve Acquisition Ludmilla.

2. THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Councillor Edwin Joseph, declared a Conflict of Interest in Item 27.4 – Community Grants Round 2 Recommendations 2026/27.

3. THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Councillor Patrik Ralph, declared a Conflict of Interest in Item 27.4 – Community Grants Round 2 Recommendations 2026/27.

4. THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Councillor Nicole Brown, declared a Conflict of Interest in Item 27.4 – Community

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Grants Round 2 Recommendations 2026/27.

5. THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Councillor Clarence McCarthy-Grogan, declared a Conflict of Interest in Item 27.4 – Community Grants Round 2 Recommendations 2026/27.

CARRIED 11/0

6.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY STAFF

Nil

7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

RESOLUTION ORD455/26

Moved: Councillor Kim Farrar
Seconded: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27 October 2026 be confirmed.

CARRIED 11/0

8 MOVING OF ITEMS

8.1 MOVING OF OPEN ITEMS INTO CONFIDENTIAL

Nil

8.2 MOVING OF CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS INTO OPEN

Nil

8.3 MOVING CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS TO OPEN AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

27.4 COMMUNITY GRANTS ROUND 2 RECOMMENDATIONS 2026/27

RESOLUTION ORD481/26

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston
Seconded: Councillor Peter Pangquee

1. THAT the report entitled Community Grants Round 2 Recommendations 2026/27 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the following seven projects for funding in Round 2 of the Community Grants Program 2026/27, for a total of $50,000.

Unconfirmed

	Applicant	Activity	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
1	Individual Applicant (Belinda Peacocke) *auspiced by Melaleuca Australia*	"Welcome to Water" – Is a free eight-week water familiarisation and swimming program for adult migrants, former refugees and multicultural community members new to Darwin with little swimming experience. Delivered at Casuarina Swimming Pool by an Austswim instructor in groups of up to six, it builds water safety skills, confidence, fitness, English language and community connection.	$4 283	$4 283
2	Tracks Inc.	En Masse 2027 – Is a large-scale participatory dance event for all ages and abilities. Tracks will work with four community groups and run public workshops across Darwin to create a group dance with individual sections and a shared finale, performed in a public space at a large-scale community event to be confirmed.	$10 000	$10 000
3	Girls On Fire Ltd.	Every Spark Counts – includes two, one-day, hands-on Fire and Resilience Program for First Nations & Young Women aged 14-19. Mentored by emergency service personnel, participants wear protective clothing, operate equipment and solve problems in teams, building confidence, resilience and leadership while learning about volunteering, training and career pathways in emergency services.	$10 000	$10 000
4	Helping People Achieve Inc.	Community Open Day - is a free public Open Day to launch the establishment of a new plant nursery as a horticulture and work-skills training initiative. The open at HPA Winnellie will feature guided tours and hands-on demonstrations by staff and participants showcasing new training and employment pathways.	$4 350	$4 350
5	Top End Two Ways Services	Strong Safe Ready Youth - is a free, Aboriginal-led disaster preparedness and leadership pilot for 15-20 young people aged 12-17. Participants learn about local hazards, warnings and household	$10 000	$10 000

Unconfirmed

		preparedness, test their skills in a cyclone scenario, then return for a follow up session to finalise a youth-friendly preparedness guide and stakeholder recommendations.		
6	Northern Centre for Contemporary Arts Inc.	Fired Earth Darwin - offers four free Clay Play events at Parap Village Markets led by ceramicist Aaron Moore, targeting up to 720 participants of all ages. Up to 200 Darwin-themed works will be fired and exhibited at NCCA alongside Moore's exhibition The Wild, ending with a free closing celebration.	$8 978	$8 978
7	Darwin Has Talents	Darwin Has Talents - is a free singing program running 7-21 April 2027 for young people aged 16 and over. Participants audition, receive guidance and perform in a supportive environment, with successful Darwin entrants progressing to the Territory-wide Grand Finale at AANT later in the year.	$10 000	$ 2 389

3. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*

4. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

CARRIED 7/0

28.1 INFORMATION REGARDING STATUTORY OBLIGATIONS

RESOLUTION ORD483/26

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston
Seconded: Councillor Peter Pangquee

1. THAT the report entitled Information Regarding Statutory Obligations be received and noted.

2. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2019.*

3. THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

CARRIED 12/0

9 MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE / LORD MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

Unconfirmed

10 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

10.1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

RESOLUTION ORD456/26

Moved: Councillor Edwin Joseph
Seconded: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

THAT the following Public Questions and responses as tabled from Donna Schakelaar regarding the December 2026 Council Delegation to Guangzhou and Ho Chi Minh City and the 2019 Guangzhou be received and noted.

Question

What evidence supports the statement reported by ABC Darwin on 10 October 2026 attributed to a City of Darwin Council representative that: The economic impact of these type of trade missions can lead to approximately $250,000 per annum coming into the economy noting that the March 2024 International Relations Advisory Committee update on a similar trip by the then Lord Mayor in December 2023 (Item 9.2) contained no dollar figures, costs or performance measures?

Response

The March 2024 report contained no quantified economic measures. Since then, Council has received outcomes from participating organisations on the 2022 Trade Mission to Indonesia, including approximately $134,300 in education and training contracts, 20 Memoranda of Understanding, 11 progressing partnership agreements, more than 1.19 million views and engagements promoting Darwin, and at least $120,588 in advertising and public relations value. Tourism modelling indicates potential impacts of approximately $279,000 in economic output and $129,000 in Gross Regional Product. The $250,000 per annum figure is an indicative estimate informed by these voluntarily reported outcomes from a subset of participants and by economic modelling.

Question

Since the City of Darwin signed a memorandum of understanding with Guangzhou in October 2019, has Council ever reviewed what the MOU has delivered and what specific economic or trade outcomes for Darwin can Council attribute to it since 2019?

Response

City of Darwin has recorded outcomes from the 2019 Guangzhou MOU, including visitor exchanges, youth and scholarship programs, an MOU between Guangzhou University and Charles Darwin University, and business and trade engagement. Tourism modelling indicates potential visitation benefits of approximately $256,000 in economic output and $119,000 in Gross Regional Product.

The relationship has also raised Darwin's profile in one of China's largest economic regions, with engagement activities involving more than 100 government, business and industry representatives

Question

What measures, targets and baselines will Council use to track the outcomes of the December 2026 delegation, and will it report them publicly afterwards?

Response

City of Darwin will seek outcome information from delegates after the December 2026 delegation and prepare a post-delegation outcomes report. Because many benefits are realised over time by participating organisations, City of Darwin will focus on strategic relationships established or strengthened, opportunities facilitated, and outcomes reported by participants.

CARRIED 11/0

Unconfirmed

11 PETITIONS

Nil

12 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS

Nil

13 ACTION REPORTS

13.1 REVIEW OF FRAUD PREVENTION POLICY

RESOLUTION ORD457/26

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston
Seconded: Councillor Kim Farrar

1. THAT the report entitled Review of Fraud Prevention Policy be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopts the revised Fraud Prevention Policy at **Attachment 2.**

CARRIED 11/0

13.2 1ST BUDGET REVIEW 2026/2027

RESOLUTION ORD458/26

Moved: Councillor Edwin Joseph
Seconded: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

1. THAT the report entitled 1st Budget Review 2026/2027 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council amend the 2026/2027 budget in accordance with Part 10.5 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, as detailed in report titled 1st Budget Review 2026/2027 and associated attachments.

CARRIED 11/0

Councillor Julie Fraser joined the meeting at 5:43 pm.

13.3 SWIMMING AUSTRALIA PROPOSAL 2027

RESOLUTION ORD459/26

Moved: Councillor Peter Pangquee
Seconded: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

1. THAT the report entitled Swimming Australia Proposal 2027 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve $22,000 sponsorship for Swimming Australia to undertake training camps at City of Darwin pools during April – June 2027.

CARRIED 12/0

Unconfirmed

13.4 YOUTH CONSULTATION

MOTION

Moved: Councillor Shani Carson
Seconded: Councillor Peter Pangquee

1. THAT the report entitled Youth Consultation be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse the Youth team consulting with young people aged 12-25 regarding the future of the Youth Advisory Committee.
3. THAT the outcomes of the consultation with young people aged 12-25 are provided to Council in a future report.

AMENDMENT

RESOLUTION ORD460/26

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris
Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

1. THAT the report entitled Youth Consultation be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse the Youth team consulting with students and young people aged 12-25 regarding the future of the Youth Advisory Committee.
3. THAT the outcomes of the consultation with students and young people aged 12-25 are provided to Council in a future report.

CARRIED 12/0

RESOLUTION ORD461/26

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris
Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

1. THAT the report entitled Youth Consultation be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse the Youth team consulting with students and young people aged 12-25 regarding the future of the Youth Advisory Committee.
3. THAT the outcomes of the consultation with students and young people aged 12-25 are provided to Council in a future report.

CARRIED 12/0

Unconfirmed

Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris departed the meeting at 5:49 pm due to a declared conflict of interest.

13.5 ROAD RESERVE ACQUISITION LUDMILLA

RESOLUTION ORD462/26

Moved: Councillor Kim Farrar
Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

1. THAT the report entitled Road Reserve Acquisition Ludmilla be received and noted.
2. THAT Council support the proposed closure and disposal of approximately 344m² of road reserve adjacent to the Ludmilla Wastewater Treatment Plant to facilitate critical infrastructure upgrades by Power and Water Corporation.
3. THAT Council, pursuant to Section 40 (2) of the *Local Government Act 2018* delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to continue the statutory road closure process, execute any required landowner documentation, and negotiate and finalise the disposal of the land.

CARRIED 11/0

Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris re-joined the meeting at 5:50 pm

13.6 REVIEW OF ENVIRONMENT POLICY

MOTION

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris
Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

1. THAT the report entitled Review of Environment Policy be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopt the Environment Policy at **Attachment 1**.

AMENDMENT

RESOLUTION ORD463/26

Moved: Councillor Edwin Joseph
Seconded: Councillor Kim Farrar

1. THAT the report entitled Review of Environment Policy be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopt the Environment Policy at **Attachment 1**.
3. THAT Council approve the inclusion of the wording in **Attachment 1**, 'with the aim of net zero emissions from City of Darwin operations by 2030', under Section 3 Policy Statement, and the associated definition, 'Net zero emissions from City of Darwin operations by 2030', under Section 4.

CARRIED 12/0

AMENDMENT

MOTION

Moved: Councillor Julie Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Clarence McCarthy-Grogan

1. THAT the report entitled Review of Environment Policy be received and noted.

Unconfirmed

2. THAT Council adopt the Environment Policy at **Attachment 1**.
3. THAT Council approve the inclusion of the wording in **Attachment 1**, with the aim of net-zero emissions from City of Darwin operations by 2030 and the associated net-zero emissions from City of Darwin Operations by 2030 definition.
4. THAT Council approve a two-year policy review schedule for Environment Policy
5. THAT Council approve the inclusion of the wording in **Attachment 1** 'regularly update, maintain and implement', in the associated paragraph under section 3 Policy Statement.

With the consent of the mover recommendation 4 of the proposed amendment was withdrawn.

AMENDMENT

RESOLUTION ORD464/26

Moved: Councillor Julie Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Clarence McCarthy-Grogan

1. THAT the report entitled Review of Environment Policy be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopt the Environment Policy at **Attachment 1**.
3. THAT Council approve the inclusion of the wording in **Attachment 1**, with the aim of net-zero emissions from City of Darwin operations by 2030 and the associated net-zero emissions from City of Darwin Operations by 2030 definition.
4. THAT Council approve the inclusion of the wording in **Attachment 1** 'regularly update, maintain and implement', in the associated paragraph under section 3 Policy Statement.

CARRIED 12/0

RESOLUTION ORD465/26

Moved: Councillor Julie Fraser
Seconded: Councillor Clarence McCarthy-Grogan

1. THAT the report entitled Review of Environment Policy be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopt the Environment Policy at **Attachment 1**.
3. THAT Council approve the inclusion of the wording in **Attachment 1**, with the aim of net-zero emissions from City of Darwin operations by 2030 and the associated net-zero emissions from City of Darwin Operations by 2030 definition.
4. THAT Council approve the inclusion of the wording in **Attachment 1** 'regularly update, maintain and implement', in the associated paragraph under section 3 Policy Statement.

CARRIED 12/0

Unconfirmed

14 RECEIVE & NOTE REPORTS

14.1 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - OCTOBER 2026

RESOLUTION ORD466/26

Moved: Councillor Shani Carson
Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

THAT the report entitled Monthly Financial Report – October 2026 be received and noted.

CARRIED 12/0

14.2 POLICY MANAGEMENT - COUNCIL POLICY REVIEW SCHEDULE

RESOLUTION ORD467/26

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris
Seconded: Councillor Peter Pangquee

1. THAT the report entitled Policy Management - Council Policy Review Schedule be received and noted.
2. THAT Council note the list of policies contained within the report which are scheduled for review and adoption in 2027.

CARRIED 12/0

14.3 AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT GROUP - OUTSTANDING RATES EQUIVALENT

RESOLUTION ORD468/26

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston
Seconded: Councillor Clarence McCarthy-Grogan

THAT the report entitled Airport Development Group - Outstanding Rates Equivalent be received and noted.

CARRIED 12/0

15 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

Unconfirmed

16 NOTICES OF MOTION

16.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - REVIEW OF ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

I, Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris, give notice that at the next Ordinary Council Meeting on 24 November 2026, I will move the following motion:-

RESOLUTION ORD469/26

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris
Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

1. THAT Council note prior information by way of reports, presentations, and resolutions relating to City of Darwin's Ordinary Council Meeting schedules, are available on the Elected Member intranet.
2. THAT a workshop is ideally held before the March 2027 Ordinary Council Meeting to consider associated implications, resources and relevant comparisons for holding two Ordinary Council Meetings per month commencing July 2027, noting the reduced meeting schedule remains for the January and December period.
3. THAT Council receives a report, at the March 2027 Ordinary Council Meeting, reviewing the implications, resources and comparisons of holding two Council Meetings per month instead of one per month commencing from 1 July 2027.
4. THAT Council note that funding cost for this change is estimated to be between $150,000 to $300,000 and this will be referred to and considered as part of the 2027/28 budget process as a new initiative.

CARRIED 12/0

16.2 NOTICE OF MOTION - VANDALISM AND ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

I, Councillor Kim Farrar, give notice that at the next Ordinary Council Meeting on 24 November 2026, I will move the following motion:-

RESOLUTION ORD470/26

Moved: Councillor Kim Farrar
Seconded: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris

1. THAT Council note the strategic objectives contained within City of Darwin 2030: City for People, City of Colour and the Place and Liveability Plan 2050 to improve amenity, liveability and community wellbeing through high-quality safe public spaces.
2. THAT Council requests officers to prepare a report outlining the direct and indirect costs incurred by City of Darwin as a result of vandalism and anti-social behaviour impacts across the municipality and the Darwin CBD, including:
   a) costs associated with repairing and replacing Council assets damaged through vandalism
   b) costs associated with the increased service provision including cleaning, graffiti removal and security
   c) costs associated with contractors required to address these issues
   d) which areas within the municipality experience recurring impacts.
3. THAT a report be presented to Council by February 2027 outlining the findings of the

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assessment. This report will provide Council with a clear understanding of these costs and support evidence-based advocacy to the Northern Territory Government for greater support and measures to improve safety, amenity and community wellbeing.

CARRIED 12/0

17 REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

RESOLUTION ORD471/26

Moved: Councillor Shani Carson
Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston

THAT the following Reports of Representatives be received and noted.

17.1

Councillor Kim Farrar reported on attending the Sanderson High School 2026 End of Year Awards Ceremony on Monday, 23 November 2026, with fellow Waters Ward Councillors Sylvia Klonaris and Patrik Ralph. It was a great event, celebrating students and honouring their achievements across music, sport, literacy and numeracy, and recognising alumni students.

17.2

Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris reported on attending the 2026 City of Darwin Christmas Pageant on Saturday, 14 November 2026. Despite some recent negative sentiment regarding the pageant, feedback from attendees was very positive, with many praising the event activations and the overall turnout of the pageant**.**

17.3

Councillor Peter Pangquee reported on attending the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT) Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Conference held on 10-11 November 2026. Councillor Pangquee advised he was unsuccessful in his bid for re-election as LGANT President and congratulated incoming President Mayor James Woods of West Arnhem Regional Council. He also thanked Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston for his service to LGANT, congratulated Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris on his election as Board Director (Municipal), and thanked City of Darwin Elected Members for their support during his term as President.

17.4

Lord Mayor Peter Styles reported on attending the LGANT Annual General Meeting and Conference on 10-11 November 2026 and thanked Councillor Pangquee for his leadership and service as LGANT President, and for chairing the AGM.

17.5

Deputy Lord Mayor Sam Weston thanked officers for their professionalism, commitment and teamwork in successfully delivering the 2026 City of Darwin Christmas Pageant.

CARRIED 12/0

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18 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

18.1 WAGAMAN OVAL MASTER PLAN

RESOLUTION ORD472/26

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris
Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Question

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris queried what outcomes have been delivered so far through the original Master Plan allocation for Wagaman Oval.

Response

Executive Manager Infrastructure Nik Kleine advised that the Wagaman Oval Master Plan was previously circulated to Waters Ward Councillors towards the end of 2025. The document outlines the outcomes and proposed improvements identified through the master planning process.

CARRIED 12/0

18.2 WAGAMAN OVAL MASTER PLAN

RESOLUTION ORD473/26

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris
Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Question

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris inquired about the timing and funding of future stages of the Wagaman Oval Master Plan

Response

Executive Manager Infrastructure Nik Kleine advised that the timing and funding of future stages will be subject to Council consideration through the annual budget development and New Initiative process.

CARRIED 12/0

18.3 WAGAMAN OVAL MASTER PLAN

RESOLUTION ORD474/26

Moved: Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris
Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Question

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris asked whether future stages of the Wagaman Oval Master Plan are included in the current Municipal Plan and Long-Term Financial Plan.

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Response

Executive Manager Infrastructure Nik Kleine confirmed that future stages of the Wagaman Oval Master Plan are not currently included in the Municipal Plan or the Long-Term Financial Plan.

CARRIED 12/0

19 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

20 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 1 December 2026, at 5:30 pm (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Council Chambers Darrandirra, Level 1, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

21 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

Unconfirmed

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

27.1 Proposal for Long Term Agreement

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

27.2 Waste Agreement

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

27.3 Road Opening Flightpath Road

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

27.4 Community Grants Round 2 Recommendations 2026/27

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

27.5 Nightcliff Oval Changerooms

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

28.1 Information Regarding Statutory Obligations

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(d) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

Unconfirmed

22 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON

RESOLUTION ORD475/26

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris
Seconded: Councillor Shani Carson

THAT the open section of the meeting be adjorned at 6:38 pm.

CARRIED 12/0

THAT the open section of the meeting be resumed at 8:11 pm.

THAT the chair declared the meeting closed at 8:11 pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 1 December 2026.

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CHAIR

Unconfirmed