

# Agenda

## Ordinary Council Meeting

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

- Date:** Tuesday, 30 June 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



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Nil

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### 13.1 REVIEW OF WASTE MANAGEMENT EXEMPTION POLICY

**Author:** Executive Manager Environment and Waste Services

**Authoriser:** General Manager Innovation

**Attachments:** 1. **Waste Management Exemption Policy - Revised Version** [↓](#)  
2. **Waste Management Exemption Policy - Tracked Changes** [↓](#)

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the report entitled Review of Waste Management Exemption Policy be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopt the revised Waste Management Exemption Policy 6840.100.E.R **Attachment 1**

#### PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's endorsement of the revised Policy 6840.100.E.R – Waste Management Exemption Policy.

#### KEY ISSUES

- Policy 6840.100.E.R – Waste Management Exemption Policy (the Policy) was adopted on 28 June 2022 and is due for review by 29 June 2026.
- The Policy outlines conditions where a waiver of fees may apply that relate to waste management services provided by City of Darwin.
- The revised draft Policy is available in **Attachment 1**
- Changes made to the Policy include adoption of the new policy format and a reduction in policy scope to minimise policy overlaps with the related In-Kind Support Policy. The tracked changes version is available in **Attachment 2**.

**DISCUSSION**

Policy 6840.100.E.R – Waste Management Exemption Policy was adopted on 28 June 2022 and is due for review by 29 June 2026.

The Policy outlines conditions where a waiver of fees may apply that relate to waste management services provided by City of Darwin.

The waste management services where fee waivers may apply under the Policy include:

- City of Darwin supplied kerbside collection services, where multi-unit dwellings are seeking alternative kerbside collection arrangements through a commercial third party.
- Household residential wastes handled by a charitable third party and received at Shoal Bay Waste Management Facility.

The Policy is aligned with City of Darwin’s Waste Management and Resource Recovery Strategy and supports consistent, equitable and financially sustainable waste management services across the municipality and adherence to relevant legislation including:

- *Local Government Act 2019* (NT)
- City of Darwin By-laws 2023
- Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998

The revised draft Policy is available in **Attachment 1** where key changes to the Policy include:

- Updates in line with City of Darwin branding guideline and policy template.
- Clarifying that waste exemptions only relate to dwellings or wastes from dwellings that are levied with waste charges.
- Reducing the scope of waste exemptions provided to not-for-profits for events and commercial activities, which are covered separately within the In-Kind Support Policy.
- Providing clearer assessment criteria for City of Darwin officers in granting Waste Exemptions

Direct changes to Policy wording can be viewed in the tracked changes version in **Attachment 2**.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

At the 28 June 2022 meeting Council resolved:

**RESOLUTION ORD318/22**

1. THAT the report entitled Waste Management Policy be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopts the Waste Management Exemption Policy at **Attachment 1**.

**CARRIED 7/0**

<p><b>STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT</b></p>	<p>3 A Cool, Clean and Green City 3.1 By 2030, Darwin will be recognised as a clean and environmentally responsible city</p>
<p><b>BUDGET / FINANCIAL / RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shoal Bay fees and charges exemptions are only for wastes from dwellings that are levied with a waste charge.</li> <li>• Levied waste charges are only removed if a suitable alternative kerbside collection service is in place.</li> </ul>
<p><b>LEGISLATION / POLICY CONTROLS OR IMPACTS</b></p>	<p><b>Legislation:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Local Government Act 2019</i> (NT)</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• City of Darwin By-laws 2023</li> <li>• Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998</li> </ul>
<p><b>CONSULTATION, ENGAGEMENT &amp; COMMUNICATION</b></p>	<p><b>Engagement Level:</b> Involve</p> <p><b>Tactics:</b> External policy to be upload to City of Darwin Website once endorsed</p> <p><b>Internal:</b> Waste Services, Finance, Development, Corporate Governance</p>
<p><b>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</b></p>	<p>The report author does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.</p> <p>The report authoriser does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.</p> <p>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).</p>



# Waste management exemptions

## Policy No. 6840.100.E.R

### 1 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to outline conditions where a waiver of fees may apply that relate to waste management services provided by City of Darwin.

### 2 Scope

This policy applies to occupiers of City of Darwin dwellings that pay a waste levy and are entitled to kerbside collection services and access to Shoal Bay Waste Management Facility (Shoal Bay) for household residential waste disposal.

The waste management services where fee waivers may apply include:

- City of Darwin supplied kerbside collection services, where multi-unit dwellings are seeking alternative kerbside collection arrangements through a commercial third party.
- Household residential wastes handled by a charitable third party and received at Shoal Bay.

This policy excludes organisations seeking in-kind requests for the waiver of waste management fees and charges relating to events or business operations. In kind requests are governed through In-Kind Support Policy (6300.100.E.R.).

### 3 Policy statement

#### 3.1 Waiver of kerbside collection services for multi-unit dwellings

City of Darwin provides kerbside waste and recycling collection for occupiers of residential dwellings that are levied a waste charge as part of their rates notice.

Occupiers of a residential property are permitted to an alternative waste collection service through a third party under an approved application to City of Darwin, where:

- the property is a multi-unit dwelling comprising of 19 or more individual units
- a current waste collection contract is in place with a licenced waste management contractor
- the contractor can demonstrate a complete recycling process through the transfer of all collected recyclable materials to an approved materials recycling facility or an approved alternative facility
- residential waste and recycling bins are stored, presented and collected in a manner to the satisfaction of the City of Darwin and in accordance with the Waste and Recycling Guidelines. (6841.001.E.N.)

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Waste management exemption applications can be made via body corporates for existing multi-unit dwellings and by developers for new multi-unit dwellings and must contain the following criteria for assessment:

- property address and total number of dwellings within the multi-unit dwelling
- proposed commencement and duration of the alternative service being requested
- number, size and type of general waste receptables proposed
- number, size and type of recycling receptables proposed
- frequency of bin collection / emptying service
- details of the proposed bin storage enclosure/s including location, layout and dimensions, demonstrating compliance with the objectives of the Waste and Recycling Guidelines (6841.001.E.N.)
- written evidence of consultation with a licenced waste service provider that demonstrates their ability to provide the required services.

For new multi-unit dwellings, City of Darwin requires that any plans submitted to the Development Consent Authority demonstrate compliance with the City of Darwin Waste Management Guidelines (6841.001.E.N.), in addition to outlining any proposed alternative waste collection service arrangements.

The alternative service will be approved based on an agreement between City of Darwin and the occupiers of the residential dwellings through the body corporate and where the approved alternative servicing will be maintained to the required standard for an agreed period. If the alternative service is not maintained to the agreed service level, after investigating community concerns or through audits undertaken by City of Darwin, the property shall be required to recommence a City of Darwin service.

Properties granted an approved alternative service will not be charged a waste levy and will be required to pay Shoal Bay fees and charges for residential waste disposal through the approved third-party kerbside collection provider. Residents of approved alternative service properties will also be required to pay fees and charges for their own waste disposal at Shoal Bay.

### 3.2 Fees and charges waiver for residential waste handled by a charitable third party

City of Darwin may grant Shoal Bay fee and charge exemptions to Australian charities and not-for-profit registered organisations that provide charitable services involving the collection and transport of residential waste, subject to the following conditions:

- the waste is collected from dwellings in the Darwin municipality that are levied with waste charges
- the waste is surplus to standard waste disposal capacity through kerbside collections
- green waste must be free of other waste contaminants
- general waste must not contain recyclables
- items that can be reused, including mattresses in reasonable condition, must go to the Shoal Bay trash and treasure shop for assessment for potential reuse
- wastes are not generated from commercial activities, including any hazardous or toxic waste generated by industry, or wastes that are generated by construction or contracted activities at a residential dwelling.

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Fee and charge waivers for residential wastes handled by a charitable third party are to be lodged by the charitable waste handler and must contain the following criteria for assessment:

- company name and ABN of the third-party not-for-profit
- the program name and description of the not-for-profit household service provided by the organisation
- a current list of property addresses where the charitable household services are undertaken by the organisation and where a fee and charge waiver is sought
- a description of the type of collected waste(s) and how the collected wastes were generated
- a waste collection methodology to ensure effective waste separation for recycling
- the estimated monthly/annual quantity of collected waste(s)
- the details of company vehicles or contractors undertaking the service.

The waiver of fees and charges will be approved under an agreement between City of Darwin and the charitable third party, which will include the details of approved waste types and tonnages. Waste tonnages received at Shoal Bay will be recorded with any wastes exceeding the approved amount, or not complying with agreed conditions, to be charged at standard Shoal Bay fees and charges.

All ongoing applicants will be reviewed annually against their compliance with this policy.

#### 4 Definitions

**Charities** means registered charities with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission.

**General waste** means non-recyclable waste from household litter bins.

**Green waste** means vegetation material including lawn clippings, palm fronds, shrubs and trees

**Multi-unit dwellings** means residential buildings or housing complexes that contain 4 or more properties within a single structure or closely grouped structures.

**Residential waste** means everyday ‘rubbish’ or ‘garbage’ generated by a domestic household, and that are not generated from commercial activities that generate waste, including any hazardous or toxic waste generated by industry, or wastes that are generated by construction or contracted activities at a residential dwelling

**Single dwellings** means self-contained properties intended to be occupied by a single household or family. They typically include detached houses, townhouses, and duplexes, up to a group of 3 dwellings.

**Waste levy** is an annual charge per residential dwelling to meet the cost of residential waste and recycling collection services and a waste disposal service cost at Shoal Bay

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## 5 Legislative references

Local Government Act 2019 (NT)

City of Darwin By-laws 2023

Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998

## 6 Procedures / related documents

6300.100.E.R City of Darwin In-kind Support Policy

6841.001.E.N. City of Darwin Waste & Recycling Guidelines

City of Darwin Waste and Resource Recovery Strategy

## 7 Responsibility / application

This policy will be reviewed every 4 years or more often as required.

City of Darwin workplace participants are responsible for ensuring that they understand and adhere to this policy.

The General Manager Innovation is responsible for ensuring the policy is current and in accordance with relevant legislation and accountable for the management of the policy.

## 8 Document Control

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# Policy / Procedure Template

## Policy No. 6840.100.E.N.

### 1 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ~~outline the conditions where a waiver of fees may apply that relate to waste management services provided by City of Darwin. approach to provide information waste management exemption requests relating to:~~

~~The waiver of Fees and Charges for household residential wastes received by a third party at Shoal Bay Waste Management Facility (Shoal Bay)~~

- ~~— The approval of alternative kerbside collection arrangements for household residential wastes at multi-unit dwellings~~

regarding exemption of waste services within the Municipality of Darwin.

### 2 Scope

~~This e scope of this policy applies to occupiers of is for residents within the City of Darwin dwellings municipality that pay a waste levy and are entitled , which provides an entitlement to kerbside collection services and access to Shoal Bay Waste Management Facility (Shoal Bay) for household residential waste disposal, of household residential waste at Shoal Bay Waste Management Facility.~~

The waste management services where fee waivers may apply include:

- ~~• City of Darwin supplied kerbside collection services, where multi-unit dwellings are seeking alternative kerbside collection arrangements through a commercial third party.~~
- ~~• Household residential wastes handled by a charitable third party and received at Shoal Bay.~~

~~This policy underpins effective, consistent and equitable residential kerbside collection services and access to Shoal Bay domestic waste disposal services for occupiers of City of Darwin residential dwellings that have paid the waste levy.~~

~~This policy excludes community groups and organisations seeking in-kind requests for the waiver for City of Darwin of waste management fees and charges relating to events or business operations. services. In kind requests are governed through the City of Darwin In-Kind Support Policy (no 6300.100 ER In-Kind Support Policy. ).~~

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Include a brief statement setting out the intended objectives. Where practicable these should be quantifiable.

**(EXAMPLE ONLY)**

This policy applies to employees, agents, contractors (including temporary contractors) of CoD and visitors, collectively referred to in this Policy as 'workers'.

This policy applies to all employees of City of Darwin responsible for policy development pertaining to Employment as defined in the Northern Territory Local Government Act 2008. It operates in conjunction with other legislation and relevant policies and procedures.

**3 Policy Statement**

~~3.1 3.1 Waiver of kerbside collection services for multi-unit dwellings Residential Property Service Exemptions~~

~~3.2 City of Darwin provides kerbside waste and recycling collections for occupiers of residential dwellings that are levied a waste charge as part of their rates notice. have paid the Waste Levy as part of their rates where kerbside collections are provided for single dwellings and a manual service is provided for multiunit dwellings.~~

~~Occupiers of a residential property are permitted to an alternative waste collection service through a third party under an approved application to City of Darwin, where:~~

~~A residential property is permitted to undertake an alternative Waste Collection Service where they do not pay a Waste Levy and independently engage a waste management contractor under the following conditions:~~

~~will not provide a residential property with its regular waste collection services if the property meets the specific criteria and approval procedures, as follows:~~

- ~~• The property is must be a multi-unit dwelling comprising of 19 or more individual units.~~
- ~~• a current waste collection contract is in place with a licenced waste management contractor~~  
~~The property must have a current waste collection contract in place with a licenced waste contractor~~
- ~~• The contractor can demonstrate a The provider of such an alternative service shall demonstrate a a complete recycling process for recyclables by the through the transfer of all collected recyclable materials to an approved materials recycling facility or an approved alternative facility. ;~~
- ~~• The residential waste and recycling bins are -is stored, presented and collected in a manner to the satisfaction of the City of Darwin and in accordance with the Waste and Recycling Guidelines no. 6841.001.E.N. -where-;~~

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Waste management exemption applications can be made via body corporates for existing multi-unit dwellings and by developers for new multi-unit dwellings and must contain the following criteria for assessment:

- property address and total number of dwellings within the multi-unit dwelling
- proposed commencement and duration of the alternative service being requested
- number, size and type of general waste receptables proposed
- number, size and type of recycling receptables proposed
- frequency of bin collection / emptying service
- details of the proposed bin storage enclosure/s including location, layout and dimensions, demonstrating compliance with the objectives of the Waste and Recycling Guidelines no. 6841.001.E.N.
- written evidence of consultation with a licenced waste service provider that demonstrates their ability to provide the required services.

For new multi-unit dwellings, City of Darwin requires that any plans submitted to the Development Consent Authority demonstrate compliance with the City of Darwin Waste Management Guidelines no. 6841.001.E.N. in addition to outlining any proposed alternative waste collection service arrangements.

- minimum bin volumes are provided for both waste bins and recycling bins
- listed collection frequencies are met
- The property has sufficient space is provided within the property storage areas for the type and amount of bins required
- bins are stored discreetly within the property boundary when they are not presented for collection and limit the impact of smell and litter on their neighbours for the amount or type of receptacles required for an equivalent of the City of Darwin's regular waste and recycling collection services.
- The property has sufficient space for the amount or type of receptacles required for an equivalent of the City of Darwin's regular waste and recycling collection services.
- The property must comprise 25 or more individual units.
- The property may provide short-term accommodation such as a motel, hotel, hostel or an apartment.
- The property must have a current (non-City of Darwin) waste collection contract in place to regularly collect garbage and recycling materials in a manner and on terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the City of Darwin.

The alternative service must be of a standard as follows:

- All residential dwellings shall be provided with a minimum waste capacity using approved waste receptables having a clearance frequency as detailed in the Development Waste Management Guidelines or greater frequency.

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~~• All residential dwelling shall be provided with recycling capacity using approved waste receptacles having a clearance frequency as detailed in the Development Waste Management Guidelines or greater frequency.~~

~~• The provider of such an alternative service shall demonstrate a complete recycling process by the transfer of all collected recyclable materials to an approved materials recycling facility or an approved alternative.~~

The alternative service will be approved ~~based on the basis of~~ an agreement between the City of Darwin and the ~~occupiers of the residential dwellings unit owners~~ through the body corporate, ~~that and where~~ the approved alternative servicing will be maintained to the required standard for an agreed period. If the alternative service is not maintained to the ~~agreed required~~ service level, ~~after investigating concerns or through audits undertaken by City of Darwin, or is cancelled,~~ the property shall be required to ~~immediately~~ recommence a City of Darwin service.

~~The General Manager Innovation has a delegation to approve alternative services.~~

Properties ~~granted~~ with an approved alternative service ~~on the basis of this policy~~ will ~~not~~ be charged a waste ~~levy~~ and will be required to pay Shoal Bay fees and charges for residential waste disposal ~~through the approved third-party kerbside collection provider.~~ Residents of approved service properties will also be required to pay fees and charges for their own waste disposal at Shoal Bay, ~~service fee that covers City of Darwin's costs associated with the provision of a waste disposal and recycling service to the Municipality of Darwin, less the specific costs associated with waste and recycling from the subject property.~~

~~Information required by City of Darwin to consider an exemption is set out in the Appendix A.~~

**3-3 3.2 Fess and Charges waiver for residential waste handled by a charitable party Weighbridge Charge Exemptions for Not-For-Property third**

City of Darwin ~~may grant provide Shoal Bay fee and charge exemptions to Australian charities and not-for-profit registered organisations that who are provide charitable providing a social support services involving the collection that collect and transport of Rresidential Wwaste, subject to the following conditions: -from occupiers of City of Darwin residential dwellings that have paid the waste levy, where:~~

~~The residential waste is surplus to maximising waste disposal through the kerbside collects bins at the household where the service is performed~~

- ~~• the waste is collected from dwellings in the Darwin municipality that are levied with waste charges~~
- ~~• the waste is surplus to standard waste disposal capacity through kerbside collections~~
- ~~•~~
- ~~• Green waste must be free of other waste contaminants~~
- ~~• General waste must not contain recyclables.~~

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- All items that can be reused, including mattresses in reasonable condition, must go to the Shoal Bay Trash and Treasure Shop for assessment for potential reuse.
- Wastes are not generated from commercial activities, including any hazardous or toxic waste generated by industry, or wastes that are generated by construction or contracted activities at a residential dwelling

Weighbridge charge exemptions require the following information to be sent to xxxx@darwin.nt.gov.au for assessment.

Fee and charge waivers for residential wastes handled by a charitable third party are to be lodged by the charitable waste handler and must contain the following criteria for assessment:

- company name and ABN of the third party not-for-profit. A copy of the Taxation Statement confirming Taxation Exemption status must be provided.
- the program name and description of the not-for-profit household service provided by the organisation
- a current list of property addresses where the charitable household services are undertaken by the organisation and where a fee and charge waiver is sought
- An description of the household services undertaken-type of collected waste(s) and how the collected wastes were generated.  
How the waste was generated
- The type of waste(s)
- a waste collection methodology to ensure effective waste separation for recycling
- the estimated monthly/annual quantity of collected waste(s)
- The details of company vehicles or contractors undertaking the service application must be provided including description of works undertaken that generated the waste, the type and quantity of waste and the haulers.  
A list of property addresses that are services through the not-for-profit program.

This procedure applies for once-off applicants as well as ongoing exemptions. Delegated approval is held by the General Manager Innovation.

The waiver of fees and charges will be approved under an agreement between City of Darwin and the charitable third party, which will include the details of approved waste types and tonnages. Waste tonnages received at Shoal Bay will be recorded with any wastes exceeding the approved amount, or not complying with agreed conditions, to be charged at standard Shoal Bay fees and charges.

All ongoing applicants will be reviewed annually against their compliance with this policy.

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~~does not provide waste collection services for 'not-for-profit' organisations. 'Not-for-profit' organisations can apply to City of Darwin for exemption from weighbridge charges at the Shoal Bay Waste Disposal Site. City of Darwin also supports 'not-for-profit' projects including community and environmental programs. Exemptions are granted subject to the following conditions:~~

- ~~• A copy of the Taxation Statement confirming Taxation Exemption status must be provided.~~
- ~~• An application must be provided including description of works undertaken that generated the waste, the type and quantity of waste and the haulers.~~

~~This procedure applies for once-off applicants as well as ongoing exemptions. Delegated approval is held by the General Manager Innovation.~~

#### 4. Definitions

~~**Charities** means registered charities with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission.~~

~~**General waste** means non-recyclable waste from household litter bins.~~

~~**Green waste** means vegetation material including lawn clippings, palm fronds, shrubs and trees~~

~~**Multi-unit dwellings** means are residential buildings or housing complexes that contain 4 or more properties within a single structure or closely grouped structures.~~

~~**Single dwellings** means are self-contained properties intended to be occupied by a single household or family. They typically include detached houses, townhouses, and duplexes, up to a group of 3 dwellings.~~

~~**Residential Waste** means refers to everyday 'rubbish' or 'garbage' generated by a domestic household, commercial or industrial premises that and that are cannot be recycled and would normally be collected by a Council staff member or waste contractor. The term waste does not refer to not generated from commercial activities that generate waste, including any hazardous or toxic waste generated by industry, or wastes that are generated by construction or contracted activities at a residential dwelling.~~

Waste Levy is an annual charge per residential dwelling to meet the cost of residential waste and recycling collection services and a waste disposal service cost at Shoal Bay.

~~**Single dwellings** are self-contained properties intended to be occupied by a single household or family. They typically include detached houses, townhouses, and duplexes, up to a group of 3 dwellings.~~

~~**Multi-unit dwellings** are residential buildings or housing complexes that contain 4 or more properties within a single structure or closely grouped structures.~~

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Waste that is defined as 'recyclable' by City of Darwin consists of the following:

- glass
- aluminium and steel cans
- pet and HDPE plastic containers
- paper and clean cardboard
- clean milk and juice cartons.

**5. Legislative References**

- *Local Government Act 2019 (NT)*-
- *City of Darwin By Laws 2023*
- *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998 By-Laws 1994.*
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**6. Procedures / Related Documents**

- [City of Darwin 2030 Waste and Resource Recovery Strategy](#)
- [City of Darwin Waste & Recycling Guidelines no. 6841.001.E.N.](#)
- [6300.100.E.R. City-of-Darwin-In-kind Support Policy](#)
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**7. Responsibility / Application**

This policy will be reviewed ~~every 4 years once in the term of each Council~~ or more often as required.

~~All~~ City of Darwin ~~staff~~ ~~workplace participants~~ are responsible for ensuring that they understand and adhere to this policy.

The General Manager Innovation is responsible for ensuring the ~~P~~policy is current and in accordance with the relevant legislation ~~and accountable for the management of the policy.~~

~~The implementation, maintenance and ensuring compliance with this policy is the responsibility of the Executive Manager Environment, Climate Change and Waste Services.~~

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**Appendix A – Waste Management Exemption Information Requirements**

~~City of Darwin will require any plans submitted to the Development Consent Authority to demonstrate compliance with City of Darwin's Waste Management Guidelines manual collection service, in addition to any alternative service proposed.~~

~~Residents or body corporates of residential properties wanting to apply for City of Darwin's waste and recycling service exemption during occupancy shall be required to submit the following minimum details for City of Darwin's consideration:~~

- ~~• Number, size and type of waste receptables proposed.~~
- ~~• Number, size and type of recycling receptables proposed.~~
- ~~• Details of the proposed bin storage enclosure/s including location, layout and dimensions, demonstrating compliance with the objectives of the Development Waste Management Guidelines.~~
- ~~• Written evidence of consultation with a waste service provider demonstrating their ability to provide the required service.~~

~~The intention of the Development Waste Management Guidelines is for the developers, body corporates and businesses to provide waste and recycling services that are adequate for the development and in accordance with City of Darwin's Development Waste Management Guidelines. City of Darwin's Development Waste Management Guidelines outline City of Darwin's minimum requirements for waste management services for multi unit residential and high density developments.~~

**8. Document Control**

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**13.2 3RD BUDGET REVIEW 2025/2026**

**Author:** Executive Manager Finance

**Authoriser:** General Manager Corporate

**Attachments:**

1. **Statement of Income and Expenditure** [↓](#)
2. **Statement of Operating Position** [↓](#)
3. **Statement of Cash and Reserves** [↓](#)
4. **Cost of Services** [↓](#)
5. **Capital Expenditure** [↓](#)

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. THAT the report entitled 3rd Budget Review 2025/2026 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve establishment of internally restricted reserve Tree and Habitat Replacement Reserve.
3. THAT Council amend the 2025/2026 budget in accordance with Part 10.5 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, as detailed in report titled 3rd Budget Review 2025/2026 and associated attachments.

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to present the 3rd Budget Review 2025/2026 and seek Council's approval of the recommended amendments to the budget. Budget Reviews provide additional financial information to supplement statutory monthly financial reporting.

**KEY ISSUES**

- The budget review proposes several amendments to Council's adopted Annual Budget 2025/2026.
- The 3rd Budget Review establishes a new reserve Tree and Habitat Replacement Reserve to hold funds for off-set tree plantings, tree planning and tree planting in alignment with Public Tree Management Policy No 8302.100.E.R. The proposed reserve is internally restricted.
- The budget remains compliant with the balanced budget requirements of Section 202 of the *Local Government Act 2019*.

## DISCUSSION

The 3rd Budget Review displays a General Funds decrease of \$0.4M, with the application of the surplus identified at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Budget Review put towards Tropical Cyclone Fina costs. The overall net position is “nil” and compliant with Section 202 of the Local Government Act 2019.

This report outlines a high-level summary of some of the significant movements and does not discuss in detail all the variations. The report should be read in conjunction with the detailed notes provided in the attachments for a comprehensive view of all the variations.

### Overall Impact

- a. The ‘Net Operating Result’ decreases by \$0.74M (credit). **Attachment 1 and 2.**
- b. Total Non-Cash Items increase by \$3.54M (debit). **Attachment 1 and 2.**
- c. Total Additional Outflows is a net decrease of \$3.3M (debit). **Attachment 2 and 5.**
- d. Total Additional Inflow reflects Capital Grants and Transfers from Reserves net decrease of \$6.5M (credit). **Attachment 2 and 3.**
- e. The sum of the above (a-d) variations to the existing adopted budget results in a decrease of \$0.4M to the General Funds (**Attachment 2 – Bottom Line**) at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Budget Review. The decrease offsets the surplus of \$0.4M at 2<sup>nd</sup> Budget Review and results in a “nil” balanced budget.

### Variations of Note

#### Income Statement

The Operating Statement declines by \$0.74M. Operating income increases by \$3.9M offset by increased expenditure of \$4.7M. The overall impact and application of key movements are:

- \$2.2M interest & penalty income recognised. The additional income has been generated from higher cash balances and cash rates throughout the year. Of this \$0.45M is transferred to the associated interest earning reserves, \$0.2M funding for debt recovery project and \$1.57M has been applied to offset Tropical Cyclone Fina costs.
- \$1.04M statutory charges income recognised from CBD parking enforcement, offset by transfer to the On and Onstreet Parking Reserve.
- \$3.5M increase in depreciation expense resulting from revaluation of Transportation & Pathways assets. Depreciation is a non-cash expense with nil impact to General Funds.
- \$2.9M increase in materials, contracts and services:
  - +\$2.4M allocated to Tropical Cyclone Fina and discussed separately below.
  - +\$1.4M increase in Waste management kerbside collections and recyclables processing. Funded by transfer from Waste Management Reserve.
  - -\$1.04M projects transferred to appropriate reserves for progression in 2026/27
- \$1.7M reduction in interest expense recognised. Variable loan offsets result in optimisation of financing activities. Of this \$0.8M is transferred to the associated interest paying reserve and \$0.5M is a realignment of principal repayments in the Operating Position Statement.
- Other variations in the Income Statement include recognition of grant or other income offset by associated expenditure and transfers to/from capital programs due to the nature of the works being undertaken.

The full list of operational program adjustments and details are provided in **Attachment 4**.

#### Capital Expenditure

The capital program also reflects adjustments to align either project timing (spanning FY's) or project requirements and the proposed funding sources.

Infrastructure movements greater than \$0.50M:

- \$2.8M ICT PMO with \$2.7M transferred to IT Strategy Reserve as is Council approved multi-year program and \$0.13M to operational
- \$0.6M Blackspot projects span FY's; reduce balance of expenditure and offsetting grant income budgets as will be recognised in 2026/27 FY

The full list of capital program adjustments and details are provided in **Attachment 5**.

### Tropical Cyclone Fina

City of Darwin operations were significantly impacted by Tropical Cyclone Fina (TCF) emergency and recovery response with diversion of resources, deferment of programs and YTD expenditure of \$13.4M (including \$0.5M commitments).

A submission for Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangement (DRFA) is being finalised with an indicative estimate of \$6M to \$9M. Council's cost sharing contribution with NTG is capped at \$0.4M and will be deducted from the claim.

Insurance claims of approximately \$1.4M are ongoing and will attract a minimum of \$500k in deductibles. It is expected that insurance values are finalised within the next three months, whilst the DRFA outcome may be towards the end of 2026.

As DRFA and insurance claim amounts are still preliminary, budget amendments to recognise recovery funding have not been included in this review. Recognition of income recovery in the end of year accounts will be subject to AASB income recognition principles and assessed accordingly for inclusion or disclosure.

The 3rd Budget Review includes budget amendments and reallocates funding identified to fund some of the preliminary expenditure gap:

- \$1.7M reallocation of costs salaries, overtime and internal plant budgets to reflect where internal staff resources were deployed during recovery response to TCF
- \$1.8M offset general fund interest income, financing expense savings and additional FAA grant income
- \$0.4M surplus recognised at the 2nd Budget Review allocated to TCF

### Restricted Reserves

The 3rd Budget Review includes a net increase in transfers to reserves of \$6.05M with key movements summarised as:

- \$4.25M transfer in projects to associated reserves for continuation/progression in the 2026/27 FY
- -\$1.4M transfer from Waste Management Reserve for increase in operational costs for kerbside & recyclables collection
- \$1.24M net transfer in increased income from interest earnings and external financing savings
- \$1.1M transfer in increased parking compliance revenue to Off & On Street Parking Reserve
- \$0.4M transfer in EOY 2024/25 surplus funds (ORD 153/26) to Asset Replacement & Refurbishment Reserve
- \$0.41M unexpended Stormwater capital program to Asset Replacement & Refurbishment Reserve to support future renewal projects
- \$0.04M establishment of new reserve Tree & Habitat Replacement Reserve

<p><b>Tree &amp; Habitat Replacement Reserve</b></p> <p>The 3rd Budget Review seeks Council approval to establish a new internally restricted reserve Tree &amp; Habitat Replacement Reserve. The purpose of the reserve is to segregate funds received for tree planting ‘offsets’ as defined under the Public Tree Management Policy No 8302.100.E.R and procedures. Any funds specifically received as offsets will be transferred to the reserve and held for future planting and establishment of trees and habitat vegetation.</p> <p>If endorsed, the Financial Reserve Policy No.3010.100.E.R will be updated to incorporate the new reserve and presented to Council for endorsement in the 2026/27 FY.</p> <p>Other variations included in this review relate to minor grant income adjustments (offset by associated expenditure), operational and capital budget reallocations, and internal transfers between programs and reserves to better align budgets with project delivery requirements.</p> <p>Details of all variations are provided in the notes of the attachments.</p>	
<p><b>PREVIOUS COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b></p> <p>N/A</p>	
<p><b>STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT</b></p>	<p>6 Governance Framework</p> <p>6.3 Decision Making and Management</p>
<p><b>BUDGET / FINANCIAL / RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b></p>	<p><b>Budget/Funding:</b></p> <p>Detailed within the body and attachments of the report. Adoption of the recommendation in this report will amend the 2025/2026 Annual Budget.</p>
<p><b>LEGISLATION / POLICY CONTROLS OR IMPACTS</b></p>	<p><b>Legislation:</b></p> <p><i>Local Government Act 2019</i></p> <p>Part 10.5</p> <p><i>Local Government (General) Regulations 2021</i></p> <p>Section 9 Review of budget</p> <p>Section 10 Budget for deficit in some circumstances</p> <p>Section 11 Reserves</p> <p><b>Policy:</b></p> <p>Financial Reserve Policy No. 3010.100.E.R</p> <p>Public Tree Management Policy No. 8302.100.E.R</p>
<p><b>CONSULTATION, ENGAGEMENT &amp; COMMUNICATION</b></p>	<p><b>Engagement Level:</b> Consult</p> <p><b>Tactics:</b> Request submissions of Budget Variations from all Hubs.</p>
<p><b>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</b></p>	<p>The report author does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.</p> <p>The report authoriser does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.</p> <p>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).</p>

ATTACHMENT 1

<b>Income Statement</b>	YTD	FY Original	FY Annual	Proposed	Projected FY	YTD v Projected	
for the period ended 30/04/2026	Actual	Budget	Budget	Variations	Budget	Result	Notes
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%	
<b>% of year elapsed</b>						<b>83%</b>	
<b>Income from Continuing Operations</b>							
Rates	67,103	80,478	80,478	-	80,478	83%	
Charges	8,667	10,398	10,398	-	10,398	83%	
Statutory Charges	3,842	3,252	3,136	1,043	4,179	92%	
User Fees and Charges	26,419	29,851	30,572	206	30,778	86%	
Operating Grants and Subsidies	3,811	6,667	4,546	348	4,894	78%	
Interest / Investment Income	5,145	3,852	3,851	2,220	6,071	85%	
Commercial & Other Income	2,136	2,419	2,988	101	3,089	69%	
<b>Total Income from Continuing Operations</b>	<b>117,123</b>	<b>136,917</b>	<b>135,970</b>	<b>3,917</b>	<b>139,888</b>	<b>84%</b>	
<b>Expenses from Continuing Operations</b>							
Employee Expenses	32,904	44,073	43,720	(100)	43,620	75%	
Materials, Contracts & Services	61,624	64,326	68,185	2,875	71,059	87%	
Elected Member Allowances	586	832	832	-	832	70%	
Elected Member Expenses	42	21	45	-	45	92%	
Council Committee Allowances	7	20	20	-	20	37%	
Depreciation, Amortisation & Impairment	30,912	33,536	33,536	3,540	37,076	83%	
Interest Expenses	1,530	5,664	5,664	(1,660)	4,004	38%	
<b>Total Expenses from Continuing Operations</b>	<b>127,605</b>	<b>148,472</b>	<b>152,002</b>	<b>4,654</b>	<b>156,656</b>	<b>81%</b>	
<b>Operating Result - Continuing Operations</b>	<b>(10,482)</b>	<b>(11,555)</b>	<b>(16,032)</b>	<b>(737)</b>	<b>(16,769)</b>	<b>63%</b>	
Capital Grants Income	170	700	5,392	(427)	4,965	3%	
<b>Net Surplus/(Deficit) For the Year</b>	<b>(10,312)</b>	<b>(10,855)</b>	<b>(10,641)</b>	<b>(1,164)</b>	<b>(11,805)</b>		<b>1</b>

**Notes on recommended variations:**

1. The increase in the projected deficit in the Income Statement is as detailed in Attachment 4, Cost of Services.

ATTACHMENT 2

<b>Statement of Operating Position</b>							
for the period ended 30/04/2026							
	YTD	FY Original	FY Annual	Proposed	Projected FY	YTD v Projected	
	Actual	Budget	Budget	Variations	Budget	Result	Notes
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%	
% of year elapsed						83%	
<b>Net Operating Result From Income Statement</b>	<b>(10,482)</b>	<b>(11,555)</b>	<b>(16,032)</b>	<b>(737)</b>	<b>(16,769)</b>	63%	
<b>Add Non-Cash Items</b>							
Add back Depreciation (not cash)	30,912	33,536	33,536	3,540	37,076	83%	1
Add back Other Non Cash Items	-	2,100	2,100		2,100	0%	
<b>Total Non Cash Items</b>	<b>30,912</b>	<b>35,636</b>	<b>35,636</b>	<b>3,540</b>	<b>39,176</b>	79%	
<b>Less Additional Outflows</b>							
Repayment of Borrowings & Advances	(5,179)	(6,084)	(6,084)	(457)	(6,541)	79%	2
Capital Expenditure	(40,127)	(91,509)	(69,197)	3,726	(65,471)	61%	3
<b>Total Additional Outflows</b>	<b>(45,306)</b>	<b>(97,593)</b>	<b>(75,281)</b>	<b>3,269</b>	<b>(72,012)</b>		
<b>Add Additional Inflows</b>							
Add Capital Grants	170	700	5,392	(427)	4,965	3%	4
Sale of Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	150	3,512	512		512	29%	
Transfers from/(to) Reserves	30,874	69,300	50,173	(6,045)	44,128	70%	5
<b>Total Additional Inflows</b>	<b>31,194</b>	<b>73,512</b>	<b>56,077</b>	<b>(6,472)</b>	<b>49,605</b>		
<b>Net Increase (-Decrease) in General Funds</b>	<b>6,318</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>(400)</b>	<b>0</b>		6

**Notes on recommended variations:**

1. The net increase in Non-Cash Depreciation Item is as detailed in Attachment 4, Cost of Services
2. The net increase in Repayment of Borrowings & Advances results from realignment of external financing expenditure (P&I) offset by net decrease as detailed in Attachment 4, Cost of Services
3. The net decrease in Capital Expenditure as detailed in Attachment 5, Statement of Capital Expenditure.
4. The net decrease in Capital Grants as detailed in Attachment 4, Cost of Services
5. The net increase in Transfers from Reserves as detailed in Attachment 3, Statement of Cash and Reserves
6. This is the net sum of all fund flows after reserve transfers and results in a "balance" budget. The decrease in general revenue results from application of \$400K from 2nd Budget Review surplus to Tropical Cyclone Fina costs.

ATTACHMENT 3

<b>Cash &amp; Reserves</b>	YTD	FY Original	FY Annual	Proposed	Projected FY	
for the period ended 30/04/2026	Actual	Budget	Budget	Variations	Budget	Notes
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>40,946</b>	<b>18,360</b>	<b>18,760</b>	<b>(400)</b>	<b>18,360</b>	
<b>Externally restricted</b>						
CBD Carparking Shortfall - Developer Cont.	8,689	796	974	191	1,165	1
CBD Carparking Shortfall - Rate Levy	6,287	4,375	4,574	77	4,651	1
Developer Contributions	2,082	2,026	2,010	9	2,019	1
Highway/Commercial Carparking Shortfall	59	60	60		60	
Market Site Development	696	719	717		717	
Other Carparking Shortfall		438	-		-	
Unspent Grants	423	429	423		423	
Waste Management Reserve	9,020	7,703	8,614	(609)	8,005	2
Waste Remediation Reserve	10,981	4,957	11,446		11,446	
<b>Total Externally Restricted</b>	<b>38,237</b>	<b>21,504</b>	<b>28,818</b>	<b>(332)</b>	<b>28,486</b>	
<b>Internally restricted</b>						
Asset Replacement & Refurbishment	608	1,397	622	808	1,430	3
Carry Forward	33,767	5,053	33,767	1,136	34,903	4
DEC Asset Replacement/Refurbishment	332	400	331		331	
Disaster Contingency	2,588	2,588	2,588		2,588	
Election Expense	223	138	138		138	
Environmental	44	44	44		44	
IT Strategy	3,884	779	713	2,950	3,663	5
Nightcliff Community Hall	25	19	23		23	
Off & On Street Carparking	6,802	2,959	4,001	1,439	5,440	1 & 6
Plant & Vehicle Replacement	5,601	1,646	3,267		3,267	
Public Art	-	171	-		-	
Sale of Land	9,401	-	7,900		7,900	
Tree & Habitat Replacement	-	-	-	44	44	7
<b>Total Internally Restricted</b>	<b>63,275</b>	<b>15,192</b>	<b>53,395</b>	<b>6,377</b>	<b>59,771</b>	
<b>Total Cash &amp; Reserves</b>	<b>142,458</b>	<b>55,057</b>	<b>100,973</b>	<b>5,645</b>	<b>106,616</b>	

## ATTACHMENT 3

**Notes on recommended variations:**

1. Increase interest income on interest earning reserves
2. Waste Management Reserve net transfer out -\$609K
  - -\$1.4M increase in operational kerbside & recyclables collection expense
  - +\$790K net savings financing external borrowings
3. Asset Replacement & Refurbishment Reserve net transfer in +\$808K
  - +\$409K unexpended capital Stormwater to support future renewals
  - +\$398K Surplus funds ORD153/26
4. Carry Forward Reserve net transfer in +\$1.1M for projects continuing/progressing in 2026/27:
  - +\$400K Debt recovery and management framework continuation
  - +\$300K Multi year Program Management project support & small asset purchases
  - +\$179K Nightcliff foreshore cafe building modifications
  - +\$91K Movement Strategy Action Plan
  - +\$79K Strategic Engagement Plan
  - +\$72K Bundilla Fishing Platform CoD contribution
  - \$15K Travel allocation
5. IT Strategy Reserve net transfer in \$2.9M - ICT PMO project spanning multiple financial years
6. Off & Onstreet Parking Reserve net transfer in \$1.4M
  - +\$1.1M increase in compliance revenue
  - +\$169K increase in interest income
  - +\$157 transfer in West Lane Server Room Move for continuation 2026/27
7. Tree & Habitat Replacement Reserve transfer in \$44K contributions for future replacements in accordance with Public Tree Management Policy No. 8302.100.E.R

ATTACHMENT 4

<b>COST OF SERVICES</b>							
for the period ended 30/04/2026	YTD	FY Original	FY Annual	Proposed	Projected FY	YTD v Projected	Reference
	Actual	Budget	Budget	Variations	Budget	Result	Note
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%	
<b>% of year elapsed</b>							
83%							
<b>Expense</b>							
Marketing & Communications & Engagement	1,002	1,663	1,728	(79)	1,649	61%	1
Executive Support & Governance	2,240	2,737	3,011	(8)	3,003	75%	2
Chief Executive Officer Section	556	781	841	(8)	833	67%	2
<b>Expense Total</b>	<b>3,797</b>	<b>5,180</b>	<b>5,579</b>	<b>(94)</b>	<b>5,485</b>	<b>69%</b>	
<b>Net Surplus / (-Cost)</b>	<b>(3,797)</b>	<b>(5,180)</b>	<b>(5,579)</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>(5,485)</b>	<b>69%</b>	

**Office of the Lord Mayor & CEO Notes:**

1. -\$79K transfer to Carry Forward Reserve for continuation of Strategic Planning Engagement Project in 2026/27
2. -\$15K transfer to Carry Forward Reserve budget for travel in 2026/27

ATTACHMENT 4

<b>COST OF SERVICES</b>	YTD	FY Original	FY Annual	Proposed	Projected FY	YTD v Projected	Reference
for the period ended 30/04/2026	Actual	Budget	Budget	Variations	Budget	Result	Note
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%	
<b>% of year elapsed</b>							
83%							
<b>Community Hub</b>							
<b>Income</b>							
Animal Management	615	587	587		587	105%	
Buildings and Facilities	192	190	190		190	101%	
Family & Children	110	105	107		107	103%	
Library Services	1,588	1,539	1,591		1,591	100%	
Mosquito Control	68	219	219		219	31%	
Parks & Reserves	188	242	242	44	286	66%	1
Recreation	106	120	120		120	88%	
Regulatory Services	2,338	1,605	1,605	1,113	2,718	86%	2
Roads Maintenance	988	2,546	1,209	109	1,318	75%	3
Workshop	74	47	47		47	159%	
Youth Services	26	1	27		27	97%	
<b>Income Total</b>	<b>6,293</b>	<b>7,201</b>	<b>5,943</b>	<b>1,266</b>	<b>7,209</b>	<b>87%</b>	
<b>Expense</b>							
Animal Management	1,691	1,948	2,003		2,003	84%	
Arts & Culture	230	260	342		342	67%	
Buildings and Facilities	5,216	5,960	6,804	(340)	6,464	81%	4
City Maintenance	11,385	15,045	15,239	(631)	14,608	78%	6
Community Development	386	513	591		591	65%	
Community Hub GM	394	466	466		466	85%	
Darwin Safer Cities Program	311	397	397		397	78%	
Family & Children	459	630	632		632	73%	
Library Services	3,505	4,205	4,328	(30)	4,298	82%	5
Mosquito Control	144	403	403		403	36%	
Operations Administration	13,182	1,355	1,355	3,972	5,327	247%	6
Parks & Reserves	7,307	9,559	9,559	(450)	9,109	80%	6

ATTACHMENT 4

<b>COST OF SERVICES</b>							
for the period ended 30/04/2026							
	YTD	FY Original	FY Annual	Proposed	Projected FY	YTD v Projected	Reference
	Actual	Budget	Budget	Variations	Budget	Result	Note
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%	
<b>% of year elapsed</b>							
83%							
Pathways	1,707	2,283	2,283	(570)	1,713	100%	6
Reconciliation Action	100	240	240		240	42%	
Recreation	1,440	2,234	2,227	(480)	1,747	82%	7
Regulatory Services	2,655	3,918	3,671		3,671	72%	
Roads Maintenance	2,705	3,901	3,901	(100)	3,801	71%	6
Stormwater Drainage	702	1,310	1,310		1,310	54%	
Workshop	1,951	2,492	2,492		2,492	78%	
Workshop - Internal Plant Recharges	(3,423)	(3,979)	(3,979)		(3,979)	86%	
Youth Services	390	406	539		539	72%	
<b>Expense Total</b>	<b>52,438</b>	<b>53,544</b>	<b>54,802</b>	<b>1,371</b>	<b>56,173</b>	<b>93%</b>	
<b>Net Surplus / (-Cost)</b>	<b>(46,145)</b>	<b>(46,343)</b>	<b>(48,860)</b>	<b>(105)</b>	<b>(48,964)</b>	<b>94%</b>	

**Community Hub Notes:**

1. +\$44K income recognised for tree replacement contributions transferred to new reserve Tree & Habitat Replacement Reserve for future tree & habitat management in accordance with public Tree Management Policy No. 8302.100.E.R
2. +\$1.1M increase in CBD on and offstreet parking compliance income transferred to Off & On Street Parking Reserve
3. +\$109K increase in roads FAA grant allocation
4. -\$340k interest savings external borrowings
5. -\$30K transfer to capital budget for Libraries shelving that are capital in nature
6. +\$3.9M Tropical Cyclone Fina: \$1.7M reallocation of salaries & internal plant hire budgets, \$2.2M allocated from general fund savings from investments & external borrowings, additional FAA grant funds and allocation of 2nd Bdgt Review general surplus ( \$400K)
7. -\$480K: -\$450K interest savings external borrowings, -\$22K transfer to Swimming Pools capital budget, -\$8K transfer to Sports Facilities Capital Projects for Wanguri Oval Goal Post

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<b>COST OF SERVICES</b> for the period ended 30/04/2026	YTD Actual \$'000	FY Original Budget \$'000	FY Annual Budget \$'000	Proposed Variations \$'000	Projected FY Budget \$'000	YTD v Projected Result %	Reference Note
<b>% of year elapsed</b>							
83%							
<b>Innovation Hub</b>							
<b>Income</b>							
City Parking	3,887	4,233	4,327		4,327	90%	
International Relations				115	115	0%	1
Development	969	1,029	1,029		1,029	94%	
Economic Development	312	266	266	91	358	87%	2
Environment & Climate	51	56	56		56	92%	
Events	135	13	166		166	81%	
Growth and Development Services		150	150		150	0%	
Property	1,358	1,577	1,577		1,577	86%	
Public Lighting Program	3	7	7		7	39%	
Smart Cities Projects	5					100%	
Waste Management	30,328	34,918	35,748		35,748	85%	
<b>Income Total</b>	<b>37,049</b>	<b>42,249</b>	<b>43,327</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>43,533</b>	<b>85%</b>	
<b>Expense</b>							
City Parking	3,691	4,817	5,191	(157)	5,035	73%	3
City Planning	249	392	527		527	47%	
International Relations	100	258	293	115	408	24%	1
Corporate Information	408	527	527		527	77%	
Design	1,355	1,556	1,646		1,646	82%	
Development	158	238	238		238	66%	
Economic Development	16	33	33		33	50%	
Environment & Climate	760	880	918		918	83%	
Events	1,064	968	1,187		1,187	90%	
Growth and Development Services	870	1,362	1,362		1,362	64%	
Innovation Hub GM	441	502	502		502	88%	

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for the period ended 30/04/2026	YTD Actual	FY Original Budget	FY Annual Budget	Proposed Variations	Projected FY Budget	YTD v Projected Result	Reference Note
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%	
<b>% of year elapsed</b>							
83%							
Property	198	488	238		238	83%	
Public Lighting Program	1,923	2,227	2,227		2,227	86%	
Smart Cities Projects	375	724	724		724	52%	
Waste Management	18,732	27,249	27,337	530	27,867	67%	4
<b>Expense Total</b>	<b>30,341</b>	<b>42,222</b>	<b>42,950</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>43,438</b>	<b>70%</b>	
<b>Net Surplus / (-Cost)</b>	<b>6,708</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>(282)</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>7074%</b>	

**Innovation Hub Notes:**

1. +/- \$115K recognise grant income and associated expenditure ASEAN Australia Centre Grant Program
2. +\$91K increase in Beam income transferred to Carry Forward Reserve for Movement Strategy shared path expenses 2026/27
3. -\$157K transfer funds back to Off & On Street Reserve for West Lane Server room move to progress in 2026/27
4. +\$1.4M increase kerbside collections & recyclables processing funded by transfer from Waste Management Reserve and -\$870K interest savings on external borrowings transfer to Waste Management Reserve.

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<b>COST OF SERVICES</b>							
for the period ended 30/04/2026							
	YTD	FY Original	FY Annual	Proposed	Projected FY	YTD v Projected	Reference
	Actual	Budget	Budget	Variations	Budget	Result	Note
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%	
<b>% of year elapsed</b>							
83%							
<b>Corporate Hub</b>							
<b>Income</b>							
Corporate Hub GM		-	400		400	0%	
Corporate Services	11		-	101	101	10%	1
Customer Experience	57	53	53		53	106%	
Finance Section	325	642	642		642	51%	
Information Communication & Technology	64	64	64		64	99%	
Organisational Development	2	5	5		5	46%	
Workplace Health & Safety	151	100	100		100	151%	
<b>Income Total</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>864</b>	<b>1,264</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>1,365</b>	<b>45%</b>	
<b>Expense</b>							
Asset Management Section	619	940	940		940	66%	
Corporate Hub GM	359	499	534		534	67%	
Corporate Services	431	615	475	101	576	75%	1
Customer Experience	741	1,039	939		939	79%	
Employee Overheads (net)	(231)					100%	
Finance Section	2,680	3,836	3,896	(200)	3,696	73%	2
Human Resources	1,067	1,438	1,438		1,438	74%	
ICT PMO	425	728	1,138	(153)	985	43%	3
Information Communication & Technology	2,855	3,341	3,335		3,335	86%	
Organisational Development	869	1,560	1,557		1,557	56%	
Procurement Section	262	410	410		410	64%	
Program Management	1,018	1,326	1,843	(399)	1,444	70%	4
Risk & Assurance	2,755	2,661	3,030		3,030	91%	
Workplace Health & Safety	551	743	743		743	74%	
<b>Expense Total</b>	<b>14,402</b>	<b>19,135</b>	<b>20,278</b>	<b>(650)</b>	<b>19,627</b>	<b>73%</b>	
<b>Net Surplus / (-Cost)</b>	<b>(13,793)</b>	<b>(18,271)</b>	<b>(19,014)</b>	<b>751</b>	<b>(18,263)</b>	<b>76%</b>	

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<b>COST OF SERVICES</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>FY Original</b>	<b>FY Annual</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Projected FY</b>	<b>YTD v Projected</b>	
for the period ended 30/04/2026	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Variations</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Reference</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Note</b>

% of year elapsed  
83%

**Corporate Hub Notes:**

1. +/- \$101K Legal fees recovered & expenditure
2. -\$200K transfer to Carry Forward Reserve for continuation of Debt Recovery Framework project for continuation in 2026/27.
3. -\$286K transfer to IT Strategy Reserve for ICT PMO project as spans multiple FY's, +\$134K transfer from ICT PMO capital budget for operational components expended 2025/26 FY.
4. -\$400K: -\$300K transfer to Carry Forward Reserve for multiyear Program Management support & small asset purchases in 2026/27, -\$62K transfer to capital Building Services for Library Shelving capital in nature, -\$50K transfer to Waters Ward Multigenerational Recreation Space for program management oversight to be capitalised. Offset by +\$14K transfer in from capital programs for expenditure that does not satisfy capitalisation requirements.

<b>COST OF SERVICES</b>							
for the period ended 30/04/2026	YTD Actual	FY Original Budget	FY Annual Budget	Proposed Variations	Projected FY Budget	YTD v Projected Result	Reference Note
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%	
<b>% of year elapsed</b>							
83%							
<b>General</b>							
<b>Income</b>							
General Revenue (rates, interest, Federal Asstce)	73,171	86,605	85,437	2,344	87,780	83%	1
Grants & Contributions and Other Income for Capital Purposes	170	700	5,392	(427)	4,965	3%	2
<b>Income Total</b>	<b>73,341</b>	<b>87,305</b>	<b>90,829</b>	<b>1,917</b>	<b>92,745</b>	<b>79%</b>	
<b>Expense</b>							
Contribution To General Funds by Other Activities	(4,286)	(5,143)	(5,143)		(5,143)	83%	
Depreciation & Impairment	30,912	33,536	33,536	3,540	37,076	83%	3
<b>Expense Total</b>	<b>26,626</b>	<b>28,393</b>	<b>28,393</b>	<b>3,540</b>	<b>31,932</b>	<b>83%</b>	
<b>Net Surplus (-Cost)</b>	<b>46,715</b>	<b>58,912</b>	<b>62,436</b>	<b>(1,623)</b>	<b>60,812</b>	<b>77%</b>	
<b>Net Surplus (-Cost) All Services</b>	<b>(10,312)</b>	<b>(10,855)</b>	<b>(10,641)</b>	<b>(1,164)</b>	<b>(11,805)</b>		

**General Notes on recommended variations:**

- \$2.34M: +\$2.2M additional interest revenue (\$446K transferred to associated interest earning reserves & \$200K to support debt recovery) and +\$124K increase in general FAA grant allocation
- Capital Grant Income -\$427K:
  - +\$198K recognise Roads to Recovery grant income to reflect 2025/26 expenditure
  - \$624K reduce Black Spot grant income for programs progressing in 2026/27 (Trower Road & Henry Avenue, Trower Rd & Angelo St, Smith St & Harriet Plc, Dick Ward Drive & Fitzer Drv upgrades)
- +\$3.54M increase in depreciation to reflect assets valuation EOFY 2024/25 (non-cash expense)

ATTACHMENT 5

<b>Statement of Capital Expenditure</b>							
<b>for the period ended 30/04/2026</b>							
<b>Master Account</b>	<b>YTD Actual \$'000</b>	<b>FY Original Budget \$'000</b>	<b>FY Annual Budget \$'000</b>	<b>Proposed Budget \$'000</b>	<b>Projected FY Budget \$'000</b>	<b>YTD v Projected Result %</b>	<b>Reference Note</b>
05.221060 Swimming Pools Capital Projects Expenditure	15	0	15	22	38	41%	1
05.221061 Public Art Program Capital Expenditure	50	100	424		424	12%	
05.223065 Sports Facilities - Capital Projects	60	100	786	38	824	7%	2
05.311060 Infrastructure Capital Projects	14	0	0	14	14	100%	3
05.322061 Economic Development Capital Expenditure	39	0	101		101	38%	
05.322062 Minor Capital Works Program	54	160	150	(64)	86	62%	4
05.322063 Streetscape Development & Upgrade	619	0	787	(13)	774	80%	5
05.322066 Roads to Recovery Capital Projects Expenditure	153	0	0	198	198	77%	6
05.322067 LATM Capital Projects Expenditure	10	299	651		651	2%	
05.322068 Cyclepath Capital Projects	9	700	200		200	4%	
05.322069 Black Spot Program	23	0	1,106	(625)	481	5%	7
05.331061 Footpaths Capital Projects	351	810	986		986	36%	
05.331062 Disability Access Capital Projects (W/O ONLY)	17	102	121		121	14%	
05.331064 Driveway Capital Projects	204	231	231		231	88%	
05.331065 Road Reseal & Rehabilitation Capital Projects	57	2,400	2,632		2,632	2%	
05.331066 Public Lighting Capital Projects	307	580	1,230	(52)	1,178	26%	8
05.331069 Traffic Signals Capital Projects	40	54	107		107	38%	
05.332060 Building Maintenance Capital Projects	572	106	1,084	(117)	968	59%	9
05.332063 Signage & Memorial Capital Projects	28	22	40		40	68%	
05.332086 Open Spaces Capital Refurbishment Costs (W/O ONLY)	2,941	0	3,310	50	3,360	88%	4
05.332087 Civic Centre Capital Refurbishment Costs (W/O ONLY)	23,211	68,008	28,763		28,763	81%	
05.332089 Darwin Entertainment Centre Capital Projects	68	0	68		68	100%	
05.333061 Environmental Management Capital Projects	1	400	600		600	0%	
05.333062 Shoal Bay Upgrade Works	5,870	9,125	8,617		8,617	68%	
05.334060 Stormwater Drainage Capital Projects	481	1,893	2,954	(410)	2,544	19%	10
05.334065 Walkway Capital Projects	10	83	83		83	12%	
05.335060 Fleet Management Capital Projects	3,170	2,770	4,641		4,641	68%	
05.341061 Fencing Capital Projects	36	150	150	(50)	100	36%	11
					4,118	18%	
05.341062 Parks & Reserves Revitalisation Capital Projects	756	2,620	4,028	90			12
05.341063 Parks Infrastructure Capital Projects	797	160	804	10	814	98%	11
05.341065 Parks Landscaping & Irrigation Capital Projects	1	270	270		270	0%	
05.410070 ICT Road Map Capital	0	0	2,797	(2,797)	0	0%	13

<b>Statement of Capital Expenditure</b>							
for the period ended 30/04/2026							
Master Account	YTD Actual \$'000	FY Original Budget \$'000	FY Annual Budget \$'000	Proposed Budget \$'000	Projected FY Budget \$'000	YTD v Projected Result %	Reference Note
05.431060 IT Capital Projects	162	346	1,440		1,440	11%	
05.520060 Smart Cities Capital Expenditure	0	20	20	(20)	0	100%	8
<b>Net Surplus / (-Cost)</b>	<b>40,127</b>	<b>91,509</b>	<b>69,197</b>	<b>(3,726)</b>	<b>65,471</b>	<b>61%</b>	

**Notes on recommended variations:**

1. +\$22K transfer from operational to capital swimming pool budget: install wall fans at Casuarina Aquatic and Leisure Centre (\$6K), upgrade CCTV at Parap Pool (\$10K), install display screen at Nightcliff Pool (\$6K)
2. +\$30K Velodrome shed replacement transfer from Building Capital program (consolidate funds) +\$8K transfer from operational to capital budget for the replacement of soccer goals at Wanguri Oval
3. +\$14K transfer from Minor capital Works for Bundilla Beach project
4. -\$64K transfer to balance expenditure in capital projects -\$50K Open Spaces Capital program Chapel Lane and -\$14K Infrastructure Capital Projects Bundilla Beach
5. -\$13K transfer to operational design expenditure for Better Suburb projects Rothdale Rd planting & landscaping (\$10K) and Sunset Park Parking (\$3K) as below capitalisation threshold.
6. -+\$198K to recognise expenditure for the commencement of Roads to Recovery Lee Point Road Project
7. -\$625K Black Spot Programs to continue into 2026/27: Tower Rd & Henbury Ave (\$197K), Trower Rd & Angelo St (\$378K), Smith St & Harriet Plc (\$20K) and Dick Ward Dr & Fitzer Dr (\$30K).
8. -\$72K transfer to Carry Forward Reserve for Bundilla Fishing Platform CoD contribution (\$52K Public Lighting & \$20K Smart Cities)

ATTACHMENT 5

<b>Statement of Capital Expenditure</b>							
for the period ended 30/04/2026	YTD	FY Original	FY Annual	Proposed	Projected FY	YTD v Projected	Reference
Master Account	Actual	Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget	Result	Note
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%	
9. Net transfer out -\$117K: -\$179K to Carry Forward Reserve for Nightcliff Foreshore Cafe building modifications as project to run over FY's (procurement and construction delayed to 26/27 FY), -\$30K to Sports Facilities for Velodrome shed replacement (consolidate program funds to one area). Offset by +\$92K transfer in from operational budgets to capital for City library shelving as expenditure capital in nature.							
10. -\$410K transfer unexpended Stormwater capital budget to Asset Replacement & Refurbishment Reserve for future works							
11. Net transfer out -\$50K: -\$40K to Parks & Reserves Capital for Tiwi Oval Softfall replacement; and -\$10K to Parks Infrastructure for Que Noy Park footpath works							
12. Net transfer in +\$90K: +\$50K Waters Ward Multigenerational Recreation Space for program management oversight to be capitalised and +\$40k Tiwi Oval Softfall replacement							
13. -\$2.8M ICT PMO projects spanning multiple FY's; transfer back to IT Strategy Reserve for continuation in 2026/27							

**13.3 REVIEW OF CEO ALLOWANCES AND OTHER BENEFITS POLICY**

**Author:** Executive Manager HR and Safety

**Authoriser:** General Manager Corporate

**Attachments:**

1. CEO Allowances and Other Benefits Policy - Tracked Changes [↓](#)
2. CEO Allowances and Other Benefits Policy - Revised Version [↓](#)

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. THAT the report entitled Review of CEO Allowances and Other Benefits Policy be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopt the CEO Allowances and Other Benefits Policy at **Attachment 2**.

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to adopt the City of Darwin's Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Allowances and Other Benefits Policy as required by the *Local Government Act 2019*.

**KEY ISSUES**

- City of Darwin is required by the *Local Government Act 2019* to have a policy for allowances and benefits in relation to the CEO.
- This policy has been reviewed in line with the review schedule and addresses the mandatory requirements.

<p><b>DISCUSSION</b></p> <p>The <i>Local Government Act 2019</i> requires Council to adopt an allowances and benefits policy in relation to the Chief Executive Officer. This policy must cover allowances, vehicles and accommodation and may cover other allowances and benefits.</p> <p>This policy addresses the mandatory requirements and was last endorsed by Council in June 2024.</p> <p>It has been reviewed in line with the review schedule. The regular review cadence has been changed from two to four years in line with other Council policies. No other changes were made.</p>	
<p><b>PREVIOUS COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b></p> <p>At the 25 June 2024 meeting Council resolved:</p> <p><b>RESOLUTION ORD249/24</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. THAT the report entitled Review of CEO Allowances and Other Benefits Policy be received and noted.</li> <li>2. THAT Council adopt the CEO Allowances and Other Benefits Policy at <b>Attachment 1</b>.</li> </ol> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>CARRIED 11/0</b></p>	
<p><b>STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT</b></p>	<p>6 Governance Framework 6.4 Accountability</p>
<p><b>BUDGET / FINANCIAL / RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b></p>	<p><b>Budget/Funding:</b> Nil <b>Is Funding identified:</b> N/A <b>Existing Position No:</b> N/A <b>Contractor:</b> N/A</p>
<p><b>LEGISLATION / POLICY CONTROLS OR IMPACTS</b></p>	<p><b>Legislation:</b> <i>Local Government Act 2019</i> <b>Policy:</b> N/A</p>
<p><b>CONSULTATION, ENGAGEMENT &amp; COMMUNICATION</b></p>	<p><b>Engagement Level:</b> <b>Tactics:</b> N/A <b>Internal:</b> N/A <b>External:</b> N/A</p>
<p><b>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</b></p>	<p>The report author does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.</p> <p>The report authoriser does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.</p> <p>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).</p>



# Chief Executive Officer allowances and other benefits

## Policy No. 1101.100.E.R

### 1 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to set out allowances and other benefits which form part of the Chief Executive Officer's (CEO) total remuneration package, including allowances, vehicle and accommodation.

### 2 Scope

This policy applies to and informs the Elected Members' consideration of the CEO's remuneration package.

This policy does not apply to the base salary component of the CEO's remuneration package.

### 3 Policy statement

City of Darwin provides payment, reimbursement of reasonable expenses, and the provision of non-monetary benefits to support the CEO to carry out official duties under their employment contract.

#### 3.1 Motor vehicle allowance

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The vehicle allowance:

- is a cash payment that forms part of the CEO's remuneration package
- includes superannuation up to an amount not exceeding the concessional contributions cap
- is a taxable allowance.

A reserved on-site parking bay is provided. City of Darwin does not provide a motor vehicle or assistance with operating costs.

#### 3.2 Professional development

City of Darwin provides professional development up to a value of \$10,000 per annum and subscriptions to relevant professional associations.

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2	ORD249/24	<a href="#">25 June 2024</a> <a href="#">30 June 2026</a>	<a href="#">25 June 2026</a> <a href="#">30 June 2028</a>

Responsible Officer: **General Manager Corporate**

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### 3.3 Relocation costs

City of Darwin will contribute reasonable relocation expenses as determined by the Council.

### 3.4 Travel costs

City of Darwin provides Qantas and Virgin memberships to ensure that travel time can be used effectively for continuation of business activities.

### 3.5 Tools of trade

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Tools of trade do not form part of the CEO’s remuneration package, remain the property of City of Darwin and must be returned prior to cessation of employment.

## 4 Definitions

N/A

## 5 Legislative references

*Local Government Act 2019* (NT)

## 6 Procedures / related documents

3030.100.E.R Credit Card Policy

710.001.I.R Motor Vehicle Guidelines

## 7 Responsibility / application

The General Manager Corporate is responsible for the implementation and review of this policy.

This policy will be reviewed every ~~four~~<sup>two</sup> years or ~~as~~ more frequently as required, including upon review of the CEO’s contract.

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The General Manager Corporate is responsible for the implementation and review of this policy.

This policy will be reviewed every four years or more frequently as required, including upon review of the CEO's contract.

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3	ORDXX	30 June 2026	30 June 2028

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## 14 RECEIVE & NOTE REPORTS

### 14.1 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - MAY 2026

**Author:** Manager Accounting Services  
Executive Manager Finance

**Authoriser:** General Manager Corporate

**Attachments:** 1. Monthly Financial Statements - May 2026 [↓](#)

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

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

#### PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of the financial position of Council for the period ended 31 May 2026.

Further, this report and the contents are required to be presented to Council in compliance with the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*.

#### KEY ISSUES

The Monthly Financial Report includes:

- Income Statement, which compares actual YTD income and expenditure against YTD budget.
- Fund Flow Statement (Monthly Operating Position), which outlines the effect on General Funds.
- Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet), which outlines what Council owns (assets) and what it owes (liabilities) at a point in time.
- Notes to the Balance Sheet, this includes further details on the Cash Balance, Trade Debtors, Trade Creditors, and a statement on Council's current payment and reporting obligations.
- Lord Mayor and CEO council credit card transactions.
- Investments, which provides details of treasury activities, investments as at month end.
- Procurement Reporting, which is a summary of contract variations and exempt procurement.
- Capital Expenditure and Funding, which compares YTD capital expenditure and funding against YTD budget.
- Planned Major Projects Capital Works, provides a high-level financial overview of our major projects at a point in time.

**DISCUSSION**

**May 2026 – Year to Date Results**

The year-to-date operating result until 31 May 2026 is a **deficit of \$9.5M compared to a Budgeted deficit of \$12.3M** as highlighted in the table below.

	<b>YTD Actual</b>	<b>YTD Budget</b>	<b>Variance</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/ (Deficit)</b>	<b>(9,487)</b>	<b>(12,320)</b>	<b>2,833 Favourable</b>

The Net Operating Position reflects a favourable variance \$2.8M against the year-to-date revised budget. The result is mainly attributable to favourable variance in User Fees and Charges, Statutory Charges, Interest/Investment Income and Employee Expenses. These gains are partially offset by unfavourable variances in Material, Contract & Services and Depreciation expense.

Further details on material variances are outlined below.

**Income**

Total Operating Income is tracking above budget by \$5.5M (4.4% Favourable YTD variance).

Statutory charges show a favourable variance of \$1.3M, primarily driven by parking compliance revenue. The favourable year-to-date position reflects revenue received above budget expectation during the financial year.

User fees and charges show a favourable variance of \$1.7M, largely driven by increased revenue from Shoal Bay Waste Management facility. This outcome reflect higher commercial weighbridge income arising from higher volumes of disposal materials.

Interest and investment income exceeded the YTD target by \$2.1M. This favourable variance was primarily driven by the timing and management of external borrowings, which resulted in higher average cash balances. Consequently, the increased cash holdings supported a larger investment portfolio than originally budgeted. However, on a month-to-month basis, interest income has declined due to a reduction in the size of the investment portfolio.

**Expenditure**

Total Expenses are over budget by \$2.6M (1.9% Unfavourable YTD Variance).

Employee cost continues to track favourably to budget by \$4.2M reflecting timing of employee entitlements and vacancies. This is partially offset by higher-than-budget expenditure on contract labour and services required to maintain service delivery and operational standards.

Material, contract, and services have an annual budget of \$68M across a broad range of operational expenditure categories. As of May, consolidated YTD expenditure exceeded budget by \$5.3 million, resulting in an unfavourable variance. This variance is primarily driven by costs associated with Tropical Cyclone Fina recovery works, including emergency response activities, clean-up operations and expenditure occurred on damaged assets and infrastructure. Assessment of damage, and associated funding claims is progressing, with insurance recoveries and disaster funding reimbursement to partially offset these costs. A budget variation to address some funding reallocations is included in the 3rd Budget Review. The final financial impact will be confirmed once claim assessments and funding determinations are finalised.

**Statement of Fund Flows**

The variances are related to a mismatch in the timing of projects and budget profiles, and the reason described above under the operating statement commentary.

Capital expenditure and Transfer from Reserves relates to timing of capital projects.

**Cash and Investments Note A**

City of Darwin has achieved 4.71% on weighted average interest rate on its end of month cash and investment portfolio of \$89M (excluding loan offset \$42.4M). This result represents a continued outperformance against the Bloomberg AusBond 90 Day Bank Bill Index benchmark of 4.46%.

Compliance remained strong during the month, with no investment policy breaches recorded. All investments were maintained within approved credit, term, and counterparty limits.

**Accounts Receivable (Trade Debtors) Note B**

This section provides the aged debtors outstanding for general debtors and infringements.

**Accounts Payable (Trade Creditors) Note C**

Accounts Payable owing at end of month at the time of reporting. City of Darwin recognises the liability of invoices once goods are receipted as received.

**Procurement Reporting**

Under the Local Government (General) Regulations, Council is required to disclose at the next Council meeting and on the City of Darwin website:

- contract variations:
  - where a tender was not required, however the total cost exceeds \$100,000, or
  - where a contract requiring a tender is varied by 10%.
- exempt procurement greater than \$100,000.

**Contract Variations**

There were no reportable contract variations for May 2026.

**Exempt Procurement**

Vendor	Supply	Cost	Applicable Exemption
Jacana Energy ABN 65 889 840 667	Electricity Supply for Street and Public Lighting	\$259,576.89	Reg 38(1)(i) only one supplier

**Certification by the CEO to the Council**

That, to the best of the CEO’s knowledge, information and belief:

- (1) The internal controls implemented by the council are appropriate; and
- (2) The council’s financial report best reflects the financial affairs of the council.

*S. Saunders*

CEO Signed

25 June 2026

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

N/A

<b>STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT</b>	6 Governance Framework 6.3 Decision Making and Management
<b>BUDGET / FINANCIAL / RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b>	N/A
<b>LEGISLATION / POLICY CONTROLS OR IMPACTS</b>	<p>Part 2 Division 7 the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations 2021</i> require that a monthly financial report is presented to Council each month setting out:</p> <p>(a) the actual income and expenditure of the council for the period from the commencement of the financial year up to the end of the previous month; and</p> <p>(b) the most recently adopted annual budget; and</p> <p>(c) details of any material variances between the most recent actual income and expenditure of the council and the most recently adopted annual budget.</p> <p>Regulation 17(5) Part 2 Division 7 the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations 2021</i> require that the monthly report must be accompanied by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) a certification, in writing, by the CEO to the council that, to the best of the CEO's knowledge, information and belief:</li> <li>(ii) the internal controls implemented by the council are appropriate; and</li> <li>(iii) the council's financial report best reflects the financial affairs of the council; or</li> <li>(iiii) if the CEO cannot provide the certification – written reasons for not providing the certification.</li> </ul> <p>The report is compliant with the requirements of the <i>Local Government Act 2019</i> and <i>Local Government (General) Regulations 2021</i>.</p>
<b>CONSULTATION, ENGAGEMENT &amp; COMMUNICATION</b>	N/A
<b>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</b>	<p>The report author does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.</p> <p>The report authoriser does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.</p> <p>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).</p>

<b>Income Statement</b> For the Period Ended 31 May 2026	<b>2025/26</b>			
	<b>YTD</b>			<b>FY</b>
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Revised Budget</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
<b><u>Operating Income</u></b>				
Rates	73,797	73,772	25	80,478
Charges	9,534	9,532	2	10,398
Statutory Charges	4,232	2,902	1,330	3,136
User Fees and Charges	29,794	28,126	1,668	30,572
Operating Grants and Subsidies	4,747	4,369	378	4,546
Interest / Investment Income	5,670	3,530	2,140	3,851
Commercial & Other Income	2,715	2,783	(68)	2,988
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>130,489</b>	<b>125,014</b>	<b>5,475</b>	<b>135,970</b>
<b><u>Operating Expenses</u></b>				
Employee Expenses	35,916	40,066	4,150	43,720
Materials, Contracts & Services	67,696	62,338	(5,358)	68,185
Elected Member Allowances	645	763	118	832
Elected Member Expenses	42	45	3	45
Council Committee Allowances	8	18	10	20
Depreciation, Amortisation & Impairment	34,053	30,741	(3,312)	33,536
Interest Expenses	1,616	3,363	1,747	5,664
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>139,976</b>	<b>137,334</b>	<b>(2,642)</b>	<b>152,002</b>
<b>Budgeted Operating Surplus/ (Deficit)</b>	<b>(9,487)</b>	<b>(12,320)</b>	<b>2,833</b>	<b>(16,032)</b>
Capital Grants Income	215	2,786	(2,571)	5,392
<b>Net Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>(9,272)</b>	<b>(9,534)</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>(10,641)</b>

<b>Statement of Fund Flows</b> Monthly Statement of Operating Position For the Period Ended 31 May 2026	2025/26			
	YTD			FY
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Revised Budget
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Net Operating Result from Income Statement</b>	(9,487)	(12,320)	2,833	(16,032)
<b><u>Add Non Cash Items</u></b>				
Add Back Depreciation (Non-Cash)	34,053	30,741	3,312	33,536
Add Back Other Non-Cash Items	0	0	0	2,100
<b>Total Non Cash Items</b>	<b>34,053</b>	<b>30,741</b>	<b>3,312</b>	<b>35,636</b>
<b><u>Less Additional Outflows</u></b>				
Repayment of borrowings & advances	(6,887)	(5,577)	(1,310)	(6,084)
Capital Expenditure	(48,343)	(63,020)	14,677	(69,197)
<b>Total Additional Outflows</b>	<b>(55,230)</b>	<b>(68,597)</b>	<b>13,367</b>	<b>(75,281)</b>
<b><u>Add Additional Inflows</u></b>				
Capital Grants Income	215	2,786	(2,571)	5,392
Sale of Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	331	469	(138)	512
Proceeds from borrowings & advances	0	0	0	0
Offset of borrowings and advances	0	0	0	0
Transfers from/(to) Reserves	41,957	46,920	(4,963)	50,173
Transfer from Unrestricted Cash	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Additional Inflows</b>	<b>42,503</b>	<b>50,175</b>	<b>(7,672)</b>	<b>56,077</b>
<b>Net Increase (-Decrease) in Funds</b>	<b>11,839</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11,839</b>	<b>400</b>

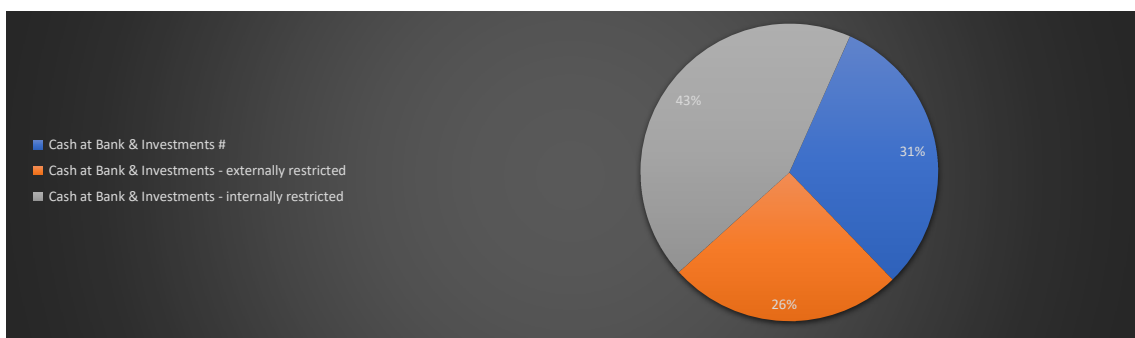
Statement of Financial Position as at 31 May 2026	2025/26		
	Actual \$'000	Note	FY Revised Budget \$'000
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash at Bank & Investments	40,932	A	18,760
Cash at Bank & Investments - externally restricted	33,479	A	28,818
Cash at Bank & Investments - internally restricted	56,952	A	53,395
Trade & Other Receivables	9,030	B	16,260
Rates & Charges Receivables	10,633		-
Inventories	324		273
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>151,350</b>		<b>117,506</b>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>			
Infrastructure, Property, Plant and Equipment	1,394,392		1,325,094
Lease Right of Use Assets	1,353		-
<b>Total Non Current Assets</b>	<b>1,395,745</b>		<b>1,325,094</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>1,547,095</b>		<b>1,442,600</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Trade Payables & Other Payables	9,624	C	22,573
Accruals	4,903		-
ATO & Payroll Liabilities	797	C	-
Rates Revenue struck (in advance)	10,444		-
Borrowings	2,616		6,975
Provisions	6,328		7,886
Lease Liabilities	663		950
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>33,781</b>		<b>38,384</b>
<b>Non-Current Liabilities</b>			
Trade & Other Payables	7		-
Borrowings	73,713		68,411
Provisions	46,283		53,799
Lease Liabilities	797		599
<b>Total Non-Current Liabilities</b>	<b>120,801</b>		<b>122,810</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>154,582</b>		<b>161,194</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<b>1,392,512</b>		<b>1,281,406</b>
<b>Equity</b>			
Accumulated Surplus	302,948		331,495
Asset Revaluation Reserve	999,133		867,298
Other Reserves	90,431		82,613
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<b>1,392,512</b>		<b>1,281,406</b>

\*Please note that these reports are unaudited management financial reports. Information contained in the reports were current as at the date of the reports and may not reflect any event or circumstances which occurred after the reports were completed.

**Monthly Balance Sheet Report (Notes to the Statement of Financial Position)  
as at 31 May 2026**

**Note A. Details of Cash and Investments Held**  
*Investments Report attached, which provides details of treasury activities, investments as at the end of the Month. City of Darwin has achieved 4.71% on weighted average interest rate (excluding Cash on Call) on its May 2026 cash and investment portfolio of \$89M (excluding \$42.4M Variable Loans Surplus/Offset). There have been no investment policy breaches in this month. The Investment Reports include surplus cash funds that are placed against variable loans. These funds are considered 'at call' as they can be accessed in short time frames. The reduction in the investment portfolio is primarily attributable to funds being utilised for the delivery of major capital projects and is consistent with the expected local government cash flow profile at this stage of the financial year.*

Cash at Bank & Investments	\$'000
Cash at Bank & Investments #	40,932
Cash at Bank & Investments - externally restricted	33,479
Cash at Bank & Investments - internally restricted	56,952
<b>Total Cash at Bank &amp; Investments</b>	<b>131,362</b>



# Cash at Bank & Investments includes Cash on Call of \$42.4M

Note B. Statement of Trade Debtors*	Past Due 1 – 30 Days	Past Due 31 – 60 Days	Past Due 61-90 Days	Past Due 90+ Days	Total *
Other Trade Receivables and Other Receivables	\$6,025,139	\$2,313,873	\$394,762	\$296,015	\$9,029,789
<b>Total Trade and Other Receivables</b>	<b>\$6,025,139</b>	<b>\$2,313,873</b>	<b>\$394,762</b>	<b>\$296,015</b>	<b>\$9,029,789</b>

Note C. Statement on Trade Creditors*	Past Due 1 – 30 Days	Past Due 31 – 60 Days	Past Due 61-90 Days	Past Due 90+ Days	Total*
General Trade Creditors	(\$5,527,034)	(\$35,179)	(\$318)	(\$4,198)	(\$5,566,727)
ATO & Payroll Liabilities	\$796,891				\$796,891
Other Trade Payables & Other Payables	(\$4,057,520)	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$4,057,520)
<b>Total Trade and Other Payables</b>	<b>(\$8,787,663)</b>	<b>(\$35,179)</b>	<b>(\$318)</b>	<b>(\$4,198)</b>	<b>(\$8,827,357)</b>

**Note D. Statement on Australian Tax Office (ATO) and Payroll Obligations**  
*The Council has met its payment and reporting obligations for GST, Fringe Benefits Tax, PAYG withholding tax, superannuation, and insurance for the month May 2026.*

\*Please note that these reports are unaudited management financial reports. Information contained in the reports were current as at the date of the reports and may not reflect any event or circumstances which occurred after the date the reports were completed.

**Table 4. Member and CEO Council Credit Card Transactions for the Month For the Month Ended 31 May 2026**

Cardholder Name: CEO

Transaction Date	Amount \$	Supplier's Name	Reason for the Transaction
12-May-26	8.61	MARIAM NT PTY LTD	Meeting
<b>Total</b>	<b>8.61</b>		

Cardholder Name: Lord Mayor

Transaction Date	Amount \$	Supplier's Name	Reason for the Transaction
		NIL	
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>		

**INVESTMENTS REPORT TO COUNCIL  
AS AT  
31 May 2026**

**Investment and Cash at Call/Offset Distribution by Term to Maturity**

Term to Maturity Policy Limits  
There have been no breaches in Term to Maturity Policy limits for the month of May 2026

Term to Maturity Category	% of Total Portfolio	Term to Maturity (Policy Max.)	Term to Maturity (Policy Min.)
<b>Less than 1 Year</b>			
Term Deposits	62%		
Business Online Saver Accounts	2%		
Floating Rate Notes	0%		
General Surplus on Variable Loans	32%		
Bonds	0%		
<b>Less than 1 Year Total</b>	<b>96%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>30%</b>
<b>Greater than 1 Year less than 3 Years</b>			
Term Deposits	0%		
Business Online Saver Accounts	0%		
Floating Rate Notes	2%		
Bonds	0%		
<b>Greater than 1 Year less than 3 Years Total</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Greater than 3 Years</b>			
Term Deposits	0%		
Business Online Saver Accounts	0%		
Floating Rate Notes	2%		
Bonds	0%		
<b>Greater than 3 Years Total</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Greater than 5 Years</b>			
Term Deposits	0%		
Business Online Saver Accounts	0%		
Floating Rate Notes	0%		
<b>Greater than 5 Years Total</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>		

**Investment Distribution by Portfolio Credit Rating**

Portfolio Distribution Credit Rating Limits  
There have been no breaches in Portfolio Credit Rating Limits for the month of May 2026

Credit Rating - Maximum Individual Limit	ADI	Counterparty	% of Total Portfolio	Individual Counterparty Limits of Total Investments
AA-	Commonwealth Bank of Australia Ltd	Commonwealth Bank of Australia Ltd	11%	50%
	National Australia Bank Ltd	National Australia Bank Ltd	19%	50%
	Westpac Banking Corporation Ltd	Westpac Banking Corporation Ltd	38%	50%
AA-	ANZ Banking Group Ltd	ANZ Banking Group Ltd	14%	50%
	Suncorp Bank	ANZ Banking Group Ltd	4%	30%
A-	Bank of Queensland Ltd	Bank of Queensland Ltd	2%	30%
BBB+	Bendigo & Adelaide Bank Ltd	Bendigo & Adelaide Bank Ltd	1%	10%
	Great Southern Bank	Great Southern Bank	7%	10%
BBB	Maitland Mutual Bank Ltd	Maitland Mutual Bank Ltd	1%	10%
	Heritage and People's Choice Limited	Heritage and People's Choice Limited	1%	10%
	Defence Bank Ltd	Defence Bank Ltd	2%	10%
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>100%</b>	

Credit Rating - Maximum Portfolio Limit	% of Total	Policy Limit
AAA to AA-	86%	100%
A+ to A-	4%	60%
BBB+ to BBB	10%	30%
BBB-	0%	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	

INVESTMENT AND CASH AT CALL/OFFSET REPORT TO COUNCIL  
AS AT

31 May 2026

Instrument	Institution Category	Counterparty	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Credit Rating (LT)	Credit Rating (ST)	Inv Type	FRN ONLY (Maturity Date - last pmt)	Principal \$	% Portfolio				
INVESTMENT	MAJOR BANK	ANZ Banking Group Ltd	10 November 2026	4.58%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$2,000,000	1.56%				
			16 June 2026	4.32%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$6,143,874	4.02%				
			1 December 2026	4.45%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$3,031,142	2.37%				
			27 October 2026	4.78%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$3,031,808	2.37%				
			2 February 2027	4.82%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$3,000,000	2.34%				
			9 February 2027	4.91%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$3,000,000	2.34%				
			30 June 2026	5.37%	AA-	A1+	FRN	31 March 2028	\$500,000	0.39%				
			9 March 2027	5.37%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$3,000,000	2.34%				
			ANZ Banking Group Ltd Total									\$22,706,825	17.73%	
					Commonwealth Bank of Australia Ltd	31 May 2026	4.25%	AA-	A1+	BOS		\$1,953,634	1.53%	
					17 November 2026	5.25%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$2,000,000	1.56%		
		Commonwealth Bank of Australia Ltd Total									\$3,953,634	3.09%		
				National Australia Bank Ltd	15 September 2026	4.20%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$2,167,935	1.69%		
					29 September 2026	4.24%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$2,000,000	1.56%		
					16 February 2027	5.34%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$2,000,000	1.56%		
					8 December 2026	5.25%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$3,062,827	2.39%		
		National Australia Bank Ltd Total									\$9,230,763	7.21%		
				Westpac Banking Corporation Ltd	21 July 2026	4.29%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$2,000,000	1.56%		
					29 September 2026	4.69%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$2,299,709	1.80%		
					29 September 2026	4.37%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$3,000,000	2.34%		
					14 July 2026	4.29%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$3,000,000	2.34%		
					20 October 2026	4.10%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$3,312,290	2.59%		
					10 November 2026	4.33%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$3,322,667	2.59%		
					13 October 2026	4.53%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$3,195,948	2.50%		
					6 October 2026	4.45%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$5,000,000	3.90%		
					1 December 2026	4.44%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$2,099,819	1.64%		
					23 February 2027	5.35%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$2,000,000	1.56%		
					4 May 2027	5.49%	AA-	A1+	TD		\$2,177,474	1.70%		
		Westpac Banking Corporation Ltd Total									\$31,407,908	24.52%		
		MAJOR BANK Total									\$67,299,029	62.55%		
		OTHER	OTHER	Bank of Queensland Ltd	25 August 2026	4.78%	A-	A2	TD		\$3,000,000	2.34%		
											\$3,000,000	2.34%		
						Bank of Queensland Ltd Total						\$3,000,000	2.34%	
						Bendigo & Adelaide Bank Ltd	27 August 2026	5.27%	A-	A-	FRN	28 November 2029	\$2,000,000	1.56%
						Bendigo & Adelaide Bank Ltd Total						\$2,000,000	1.56%	
				Great Southern Bank	28 July 2026	4.28%	BBB+			\$2,000,000	1.56%			
					11 August 2026	4.60%	BBB+			\$2,000,000	1.56%			
					3 November 2026	5.23%	BBB+			\$4,407,836	3.44%			
Great Southern Bank Total									\$8,407,836	6.57%				
				Maitland Mutual Bank Ltd	9 August 2026	6.03%	BBB	A2	FRN	10 May 2027	\$2,000,000	1.56%		
				Maitland Mutual Bank Ltd Total						\$2,000,000	1.56%			
				Heritage and People's Choice Limited	19 January 2027	5.25%	BBB+			\$1,000,000	0.78%			
				Heritage and People's Choice Limited Total						\$1,000,000	0.78%			
				Defence Bank Ltd	12 January 2027	4.70%	BBB	A2	TD		\$2,000,000	1.56%		
				Defence Bank Ltd Total						\$2,000,000	1.56%			
OTHER Total									\$18,407,836	14.37%				
INVESTMENT Total									\$88,706,865	66.92%				
VARIABLE LOAN SURPLUS	MAJOR BANK	Commonwealth Bank of Australia Ltd	31 May 2026	0.00%	AA-	A1+	General Surplus -		\$10,000,000	7.81%				
								\$10,000,000	7.81%					
				Commonwealth Bank of Australia Ltd Total					\$10,000,000	7.81%				
				National Australia Bank Ltd	31 May 2026	0.00%	AA-	A1+	General Surplus -		\$14,643,900	11.43%		
				National Australia Bank Ltd Total						\$14,643,900	11.43%			
				Westpac Banking Corporation Ltd	31 May 2026	0.00%	AA-	A1+	General Surplus -		\$17,715,417	13.83%		
		Westpac Banking Corporation Ltd Total						\$17,715,417	13.83%					
MAJOR BANK Total									\$42,359,317	33.08%				
VARIABLE LOAN SURPLUS Total									\$42,359,317	33.08%				
Grand Total									\$128,066,183	100%				

N.B.  
\*INV TYPE - FRN = interest rate is the 'Coupon Margin' established on issue date, this plus 3M BBSW provides the yield for the current coupon period.  
\*MATURITY DATE - FRN = the interest coupon payment date not actual FRN maturity date (paid every 91 days).

CBA General Bank Funds	\$2,991,032
NAB General Bank Funds	\$212,538
WBC General Bank Funds	\$50,000
Total Funds	\$131,319,753
Less Variable Loans Offset (Cash on Call)	-\$42,359,317
Total Investment & Cash (less offset)	\$88,960,436
Total Budgeted Investment Earnings	\$3,041,069
Year to Date Investment Earnings	-\$4,604,700
Weighted Ave Rate	3.15%
Weighted Ave Rate (excluding Cash on Call)	4.71%
BBSW 90 Day Rate	4.46%
Bloomberg AusBond (Bank Bill Index)	

Trust Bank Account \$454,279

Capital Expenditure For The Period Ended 31 May 2026	2025/26			
	YTD Actuals	YTD Revised Budget	YTD Variance	FY Revised Budget Current Financial Year Budget
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY ASSET CLASS:</b>				
Land and Improvements	0	0	0	0
Buildings and Structures (includes parking building)	28,581,630	28,652,417	70,787	29,935,172
Environmental	27,075	674,908	647,833	749,542
Stormwater Drainage	1,009,131	2,550,660	1,541,529	2,953,769
Roads & Pathways	4,289,398	8,289,747	3,995,349	9,575,838
Street & Public Lighting	320,483	958,199	637,716	1,229,818
Waste Management Infrastructure	7,287,405	7,901,406	614,001	8,616,769
Plant & Equipment	4,049,934	7,657,789	3,607,855	8,894,221
Parks, Playgrounds and Reserves	2,728,321	5,951,691	3,223,370	6,817,380
Public Art	50,000	382,750	332,750	424,479
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>48,343,378</b>	<b>63,019,567</b>	<b>14,671,189</b>	<b>69,196,988</b>
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FUNDED BY*:</b>				
Operating Income	3,550,146	12,626,909	9,071,763	15,029,621
Capital Grants	3,848,934	4,902,228	1,053,294	5,391,802
Transfer from Reserves	35,525,344	39,999,755	4,474,411	42,772,339
Borrowings	5,418,954	5,490,675	71,721	5,490,675
Sale of Assets (including trade-ins)	0	0	0	512,550
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FUNDING</b>	<b>48,343,378</b>	<b>63,019,567</b>	<b>14,671,189</b>	<b>69,196,988</b>

\*YTD Funding of expenditure is assumed to be consumed in line with YTD Capital Expenditure

\* Please note that these reports are unaudited management financial reports. Information contained in the reports were current as at the date of the reports and may not reflect any event or circumstances which occurred after the date the reports were completed.

**Report on Planned Major Capital Works  
For The Period Ended 31 May 2026**

Class of Assets	By Major Capital Project	Total Prior Year(s) Actuals \$  (A)	YTD Actuals \$  (B)	Total Actuals \$  (C = A + B)	Total Planned Budget \$  (D)	Total Yet to Spend \$  (E = D - C)	Expected Project Completion Date
	Civic Centre and Plaza Precinct Development						
Buildings		3,069,545	8,116,193	11,185,738	47,600,000	36,414,262	30/06/2028
Buildings	Civic Centre Public Carpark/CBD Parking	4,867,700	19,812,992	24,680,692	30,000,000	5,319,308	30/06/2028
Buildings	Project Contingency	0	0	0	2,000,000	2,000,000	30/06/2028
Waste Management Infrastructure	Shoal Bay - Stage 2 Expansion Phase 1	535,817	5,646,205	6,182,022	6,250,000	67,978	31/05/2026
Waste Management Infrastructure	Shoal Bay Waste Management Site - Stage 7 Construction	198,906	1,641,201	1,840,107	8,750,000	6,909,893	30/06/2027
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>8,671,969</b>	<b>35,216,590</b>	<b>43,888,559</b>	<b>94,600,000</b>	<b>50,711,441</b>	

\* Please note that these reports are unaudited management financial reports. Information contained in the reports were current as at the date of the reports and may not reflect any event or circumstances which occurred after the date the reports were completed.

**14.2 ADVISORY AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OPEN MEETING MINUTES**

**Author:** Supervisor Councillor Governance

**Authoriser:** Chief Executive Officer

**Attachments:**

1. **Unconfirmed Open Minutes East Point Reserve Advisory Committee 14 May 2026** [↓](#)
2. **Unconfirmed Open Minutes Risk Management and Audit Committee 15 May 2026** [↓](#)
3. **Unconfirmed Open Minutes Reconciliation Advisory Committee 18 May 2026** [↓](#)
4. **Unconfirmd Open Minutes Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee 20 May 2026** [↓](#)

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

**PURPOSE**

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

**KEY ISSUES**

- The unconfirmed open minutes of the East Point Reserve Advisory Committee of 14 May 2026 are included at **Attachment 1**.
- The unconfirmed open minutes of the Risk Management and Audit Committee of 15 May 2026 are included at **Attachment 2**.
- The unconfirmed open minutes of the Reconciliation Advisory Committee of 18 May 2026 are included at **Attachment 3**.
- The unconfirmed open minutes of the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee of 20 May 2026 are included at **Attachment 4**.

<p><b>DISCUSSION</b></p> <p>This report provides the minutes for the following committees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• East Point Reserve Advisory Committee</li> <li>• Risk Management and Audit Committee</li> <li>• Reconciliation Advisory Committee</li> <li>• Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee</li> </ul> <p>Any recommendations that arise from the committee meetings will be presented to Council in a separate report.</p>	
<p><b>PREVIOUS COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b></p> <p>At the 26 May 2026 meeting Council resolved:</p> <p><b>RESOLUTION ORD217/26</b></p> <p>THAT the report entitled Advisory and Executive Committee Open Meeting Minutes be received and noted.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>CARRIED 11/0</b></p>	
<b>STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT</b>	6 Governance Framework 6.1 Vision and Culture
<b>BUDGET / FINANCIAL / RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b>	Nil
<b>LEGISLATION / POLICY CONTROLS OR IMPACTS</b>	<p><b>Legislation:</b> <i>Local Government Act 2019</i></p> <p><b>Policy:</b> Meetings Policy Advisory and Other Committees Policy</p>
<b>CONSULTATION, ENGAGEMENT &amp; COMMUNICATION</b>	Nil
<b>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</b>	<p>The report author does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.</p> <p>The report authoriser does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.</p> <p>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).</p>



# Minutes

## East Point Reserve Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday, 14 May 2026

Unconfirmed



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**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN  
EAST POINT RESERVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE MEETING ROOM BIDJPIDJI (MEETING ROOM 1), LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE,  
HARRY CHAN AVENUE, DARWIN  
ON THURSDAY, 14 MAY 2026 AT 4:30 PM**

**PRESENT:**

Councillor Shani Carson  
Community Member, Lorraine Corowa  
Community Member, Ulrike Kachel  
Darwin Triathlon Club, Gary Wall  
Fannie Bay Equestrian Club Inc, Anja Zimmermann  
Friends of East Point, Helen Haritos  
Museum and Art Gallery of the NT, Kirsten Abbott  
NT Heritage Branch, Samantha Wells  
Researcher, John Rawsthorne

**OFFICERS:**

Executive Manager, Environment and Waste Services, Nick Fewster  
Coordinator, Environment and Climate Change, Emma Smith  
Business Support Officer, Environment and Waste Services, Kali Stepto

**APOLOGY:**

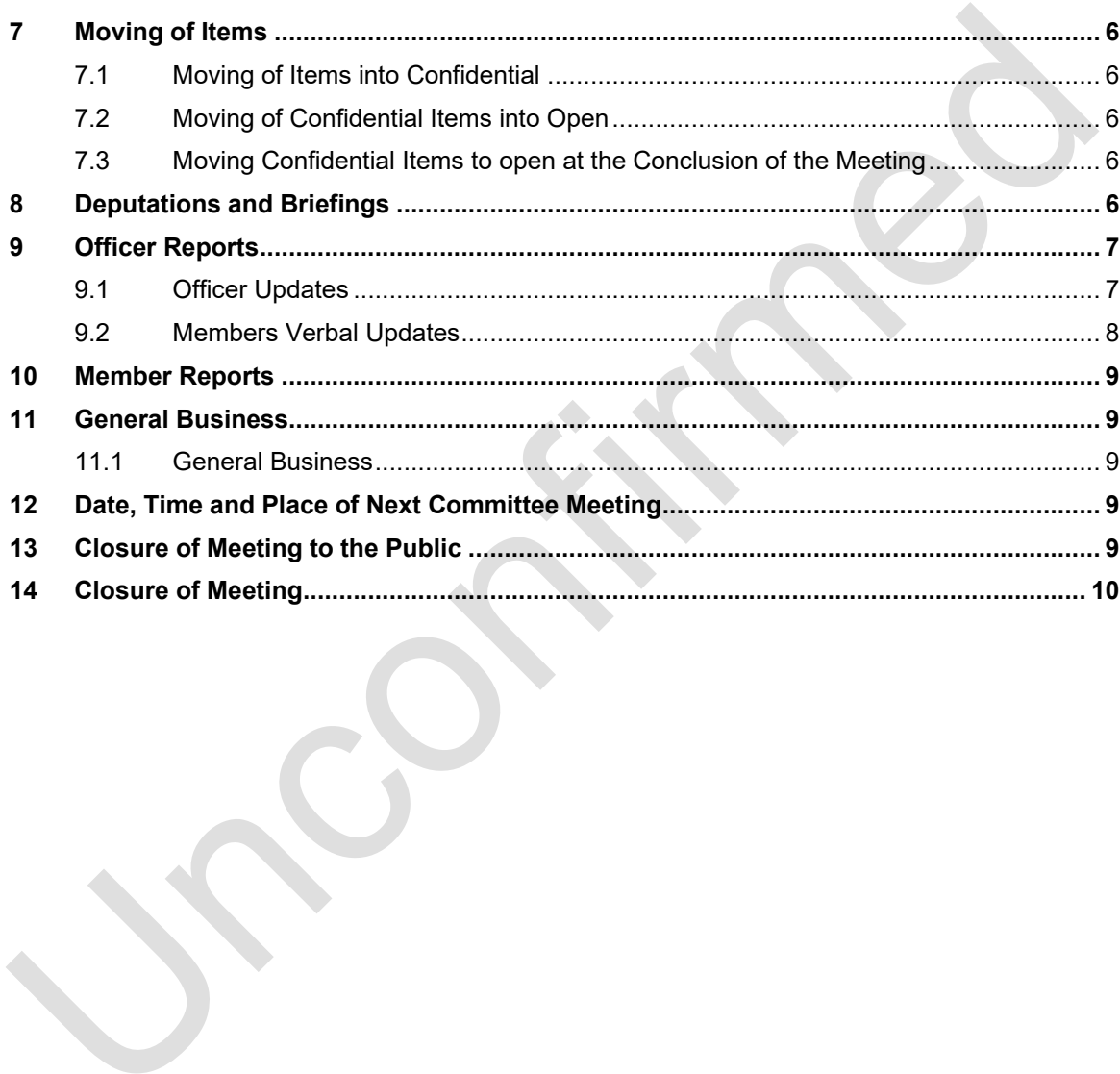
Councillor Mick Palmer

**NOT PRESENT:**

Birdlife Top End, Anne Woollard  
Crown Land Management, Wendy Pengelly  
Larrakia Nation, Victor Williams

**Order of Business**

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## 1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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## 2 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC010/26

Moved: NT Heritage Branch Samantha Wells

Seconded: Darwin Triathlon Club Gary Wall

The Chair declared the meeting open at 4:31 pm.

**CARRIED 9/0**

## 3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

### 3.1 APOLOGIES

#### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC011/26

Moved: Community Member Ulrike Kachel

Seconded: NT Heritage Branch Samantha Wells

THAT the apology from Councillor Mick Palmer be received.

**CARRIED 9/0**

### 3.2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

Nil

### 3.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTED

Nil

## 4 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

### 4.1 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE GRANTED

Nil

#### 4.2 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE REQUESTED

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC012/26**

Moved: Darwin Triathlon Club Gary Wall  
Seconded: Community Member Ulrike Kachel

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

- Community Member, Lorraine Corowa
- Fannie Bay Equestrian Club Inc, Anja Zimmermann
- Friends of East Point, Helen Haritos
- Researcher, John Rawsthorne
- Museum and Art Gallery of the NT, Kirsten Abbott

**CARRIED 9/0**

#### 5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

##### 5.1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC013/26**

Moved: Researcher John Rawsthorne  
Seconded: Community Member Ulrike Kachel

1. THAT the Committee note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Community representative Lorraine Corowa declared that the views expressed at this committee are her personal views as a community representative and not the views of her senior public servant role within the Northern Territory Government.
2. THAT the Committee note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Community representative Ulrike Kachel declared that she is also on the Committee for Friends of Casuarina Coastal Reserve.
3. THAT the Committee note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Darwin Triathlon Club, Gary Wall declared that he is also a senior public servant.

**CARRIED 9/0**

##### 5.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY STAFF

Nil

**6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC014/26**

Moved: Community Member Ulrike Kachel

Seconded: Researcher John Rawsthorne

THAT the minutes of the East Point Reserve Advisory Committee Meeting held on 12 February 2026 be confirmed.

**CARRIED 9/0**

**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 OFFICER UPDATES****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC015/26**

Moved: Community Member Ulrike Kachel

Seconded: Researcher John Rawsthorne

THAT the report entitled Officer Updates be received and noted.

**CARRIED 9/0**

Unconfirmed

**9.2 MEMBERS VERBAL UPDATES****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC016/26**

Moved: Darwin Triathlon Club Gary Wall

Seconded: NT Heritage Branch Samantha Wells

THAT the report entitled Members Updates be received and noted.

Darwin Triathlon Club, Gary Wall

- It was noted that several additional triathlon races were required to be relocated to East Point due to the deteriorating condition of other regional sites.
- It was reported that the condition of the main access road leading into the car park at the end of Lake Alexander, is showing signs of wear and requires maintenance and repair.
- It was reported that scheduling conflicts have occurred with Equestrian Club events. Members noted the need for improved communication and coordination to prevent similar clashes in the future.

Fannie Bay Equestrian Club Inc, Anja Zimmermann

- Members were provided with an update on an upcoming open day scheduled for 30 May 2026, to be held from 9:00 am to 11:00 am.
- It was noted that cane toad control activities were conducted throughout the wet season at approximately six week intervals, with assistance from a CDU representative. An average of 35 toads were captured at each event.
- An update was provided on weed management, where there is generally effective management. However, an increase in Mission Grass has been observed on the coastal side of the property, with concern raised that wind dispersal of seeds may impact surrounding areas.
- Members of the Equestrian Club reported a recent increased presence of dingoes during early morning and after dark. It was further noted that, to date, the dingoes have remained passive and shy from the community.

Community Member, Lorraine Corowa

- It was noted that a request has been submitted to City of Darwin for the resurfacing of the walking path at East Point, particularly along the section between Pee Wee's and Dudley Point. The current condition of the path was described as uneven and narrow, warranting attention.

Friends of East Point, Helen Haritos

- It was noted that the Friends of East Point conducted a tree planting day in January 2026, which was attended by approximately 15 participants. It was further noted that there is a need to attract additional volunteers for future events.
- Councillor Shani Carson asked how the event is advertised and discussion followed that indicated promotion should be increased as many committee members were not aware that the event was being held.
- Anja Zimmermann suggested that information be shared with the EPRAC group to enable member organisations to assist with wider dissemination of event details.

**CARRIED 9/0**

**10 MEMBER REPORTS**

Nil

**11 GENERAL BUSINESS****11.1 GENERAL BUSINESS****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC017/26**

Moved: Community Member Ulrike Kachel

Seconded: Community Member Lorraine Corowa

THAT the following General Business be received and noted.

Researcher, John Rawsthorne

- It was noted that John attended the CDU Awards Ceremony, where Ms Amy Cook, who had previously presented her research on Lake Alexander bacteria levels to the Committee, was awarded a major accolade in recognition of her work.
- Councillor Shani Carson queried the process by which the material for the resurfacing of East Point was selected. In response, the Executive Manager Environment and Waste Services Nick Fewster advised that suitability is determined by the Technical Services and Infrastructure Teams and based on Australian Standards.

**CARRIED 9/0**

**12 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING**

Nil

**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.

**14 CLOSURE OF MEETING**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC018/26**

Moved: NT Heritage Branch Samantha Wells

Seconded: Community Member Ulrike Kachel

THAT the chair declared the meeting closed at 4:57 pm.

**CARRIED 9/0**

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the East Point Reserve Advisory Committee Meeting.

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**CHAIR**



# Minutes

## Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting

Friday, 15 May 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, 15 MAY 2026 AT 9:00 AM**

**PRESENT:**

Chairperson Roland Chin  
Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris  
Community Member Sanja Hill  
Community Member Tanya Jacobs  
Community Member Shara Reid  
Councillor Nicole Brown

**OFFICERS:**

Chief Executive Officer, Simone Saunders  
General Manager Corporate, Natalie Williamson  
General Manager Innovation, Alice Percy  
Executive Manager Corporate and Customer Service, Silke Maynard  
Manager Risk and Customer Experience, Brooke Prince  
ICT PMO Director, Peter Ferguson  
Financial Controller, Iain MacPherson

**APOLOGY:**

Councillor Mick Palmer

**GUESTS:**

Nil

**Order of Business**

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<b>14</b>	<b>Adjournment of Meeting</b> .....	<b>11</b>

Unconfirmed

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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

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT an apology from Councillor Mick Palmer be received.

### 3.2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

Nil

### 3.3 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

#### 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.
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
  - Board Member of Darwin turf Club.
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 Interest as a member of Audit and Risk Management Committee for the Department of Justice and Attorney-General Queensland.
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.
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 RMAC007/26**

Moved: Community Member Tanya Jacobs

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

THAT the minutes of the Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting held on 27 February 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

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

**18.1 2025/26 ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - FINAL AUDIT WORK PLAN**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC010/26**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Community Member Sanja Hill

1. THAT the report entitled 2025/26 Annual Financial Statements – Audit Work Plan, 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**

**18.2 RISK REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT - MAY 2026**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC011/26**

Moved: Community Member Sanja Hill

Seconded: Community Member Shara Reid

1. THAT the report entitled Risk Review and Assessment – May 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.	<b>CARRIED 6/0</b>
<b>18.3 INTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE</b>		
<b>COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC012/26</b>		
Moved: Community Member Tanya Jacobs Seconded: Community Member Sanja Hill		
1.	THAT the report entitled Internal Audit Update be received and noted.	
2.	THAT the committee notes the exchange of the scheduled disaster recovery internal audit with the payroll internal audit for the 2026/2027 financial year.	
3.	THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293(1) of the <i>Local Government Act 2019 (NT)</i> .	
4.	THAT the documents remain confidential, and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.	<b>CARRIED 6/0</b>
<b>18.4 ASSET MANAGEMENT UPDATE</b>		
<b>COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC013/26</b>		
Moved: Community Member Shara Reid Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris		
1.	THAT the report entitled Asset Management 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 <i>Local Government Act 2019</i> .	
3.	THAT the documents remain confidential and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.	<b>CARRIED 6/0</b>
<b>18.5 SHOAL BAY WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY - UPDATE MAY 2026</b>		
<b>COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC014/26</b>		
Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris Seconded: Community Member Sanja Hill		
1.	THAT the report entitled Shoal Bay Waste Management Facility - Update May 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 <i>Local Government Act 2019</i> .	
3.	THAT the documents remain confidential, and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.	<b>CARRIED 6/0</b>

**18.6 CORPORATE SERVICES QUARTERLY REPORT - JANUARY TO MARCH 2026****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC015/26**

Moved: Community Member Tanya Jacobs

Seconded: Community Member Shara Reid

1. THAT the report entitled Corporate Services Quarterly Report - January to March 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**

**8 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS**

Nil

**9 OFFICER REPORTS****9.1 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS - JANUARY TO MARCH 2026****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RMAC008/26**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Community Member Sanja Hill

THAT the report entitled Monthly Financial Reports – January to March 2026 be received and noted.

**CARRIED 6/0**

**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 Friday, 31 July 2026, at 9:00 AM (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.

**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 2025/26 Annual Financial Statements - Final Audit Work Plan**

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 Risk Review and Assessment - May 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.

**18.3 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 Asset Management 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.

**18.5 Shoal Bay Waste Management Facility - Update May 2026**

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 Corporate Services Quarterly Report - January to March 2026**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(a) 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 about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual and information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

**14 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING****RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT the open section of the meeting be adjourned at 9:18 am.

THAT the open section of the meeting be resumed at 11:05 am.

THAT the chair declared the meeting closed at 11:05 am.

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting held on 31 July 2026.**

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**CHAIR**



# Minutes

## Reconciliation Advisory Committee Meeting

Monday, 18 May 2026

Unconfirmed



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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, 18 MAY 2026 AT 12:00 PM**

**PRESENT:**

Larrakia Nation David Kurnoth, Chair  
Community Member Nancy Helen Jeffrey  
Community Member Adrian Rotumah  
Councillor Peter Pangquee  
NT Indigenous Business Network Deb Anstess-Vallejo

**OFFICERS:**

Executive Manager Community and Cultural Services Angela O'Donnell  
Coordinator Reconciliation Ineke Wallis

**APOLOGY:**

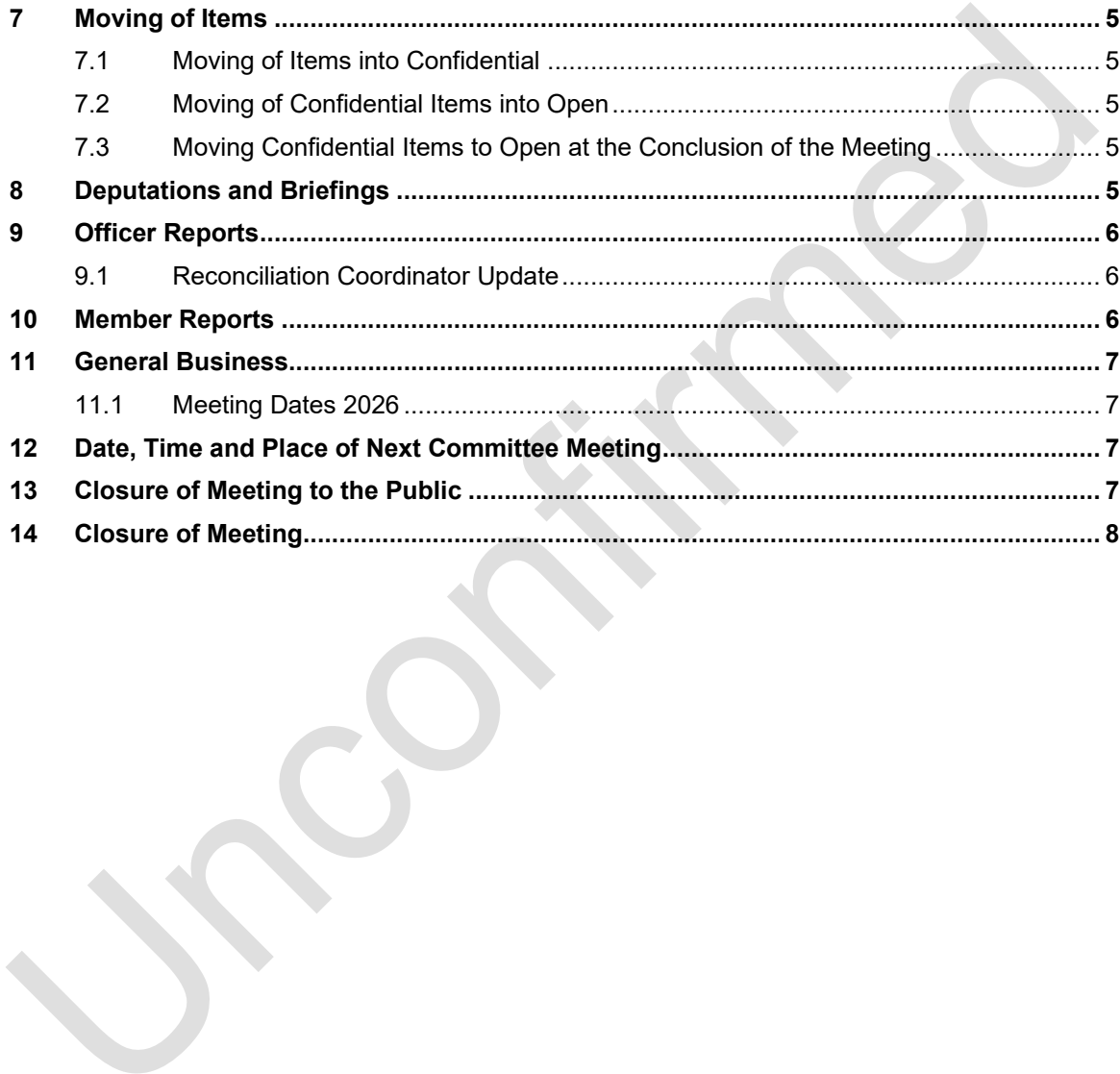
City of Darwin Chief Executive Officer Simone Saunders  
Community Member Jenna Cubillo  
Community Member Alinta McGuire

**GUESTS:**

Nil

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## 1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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## 2 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RAC015/26

Moved: Community Member Adrian Rotumah  
Seconded: NT Indigenous Business Network Deb Anstess-Vallejo

The Chair declared the meeting open at 12:06 pm.

**CARRIED 5/0**

## 3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RAC016/26

Moved: Community Member Adrian Rotumah  
Seconded: NT Indigenous Business Network Deb Anstess-Vallejo

THAT an apology from City of Darwin Chief Executive Officer Simone Saunders, Community Member Jenna Cubillo and Community Member Alinta McGuire be received.

**CARRIED 5/0**

## 4 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RAC017/26

Moved: Community Member Adrian Rotumah  
Seconded: NT Indigenous Business Network Deb Anstess-Vallejo

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 Nancy Helen Jeffrey
- Community Member Alinta McGuire
- NT Indigenous Business Network Deb Anstess-Vallejo

**CARRIED 5/0**

## 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 RAC018/26**

Moved: Larrakia Nation David Kurnoth

Seconded: Councillor Peter Pangquee

THAT the minutes of the Reconciliation Advisory Committee Meeting held on 16 February 2026 be confirmed.

**CARRIED 5/0**

**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 RECONCILIATION COORDINATOR UPDATE

#### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RAC019/26

Moved: Larrakia Nation David Kurnoth

Seconded: Community Member Nancy Helen Jeffrey

1. THAT the report entitled Reconciliation Coordinator Update be received and noted.
2. THAT the Reconciliation Coordinator investigate opportunities to order Larrakia designed shirts for the Reconciliation Advisory Committee, including a high-visibility option for relevant areas.
3. THAT a follow-up conversation be organised by the Reconciliation Coordinator with NTIBN and the team regarding the development of the next RAP and Aboriginal procurement.
4. THAT the definitions within the First Nations Career Development Plan be reviewed to remove the wording 'accepted by the community'.

**CARRIED 5/0**

## 10 MEMBER REPORTS

#### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RAC020/26

Moved: Councillor Peter Pangquee

Seconded: Larrakia Nation David Kurnoth

THAT the following Member Reports be received and noted.

Larrakia Nation David Kurnoth, The Chair

- Welcomed new members to the Committee.
- It was noted that consideration should be given to engaging NTIBN BLAK Markets for major City events and potential future reconciliation activities. Members were also advised that the NTIBN Hub will be relocating to Winnellie in the coming weeks.

Community Member Adrian Rotumah

- Noted that the introduction of Larrakia polos is a positive initiative and expressed support for its continued expansion. It was suggested that this be considered as an action for inclusion in the next Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP). It was further noted that members of the FNSSN would value the opportunity to wear and proudly represent a Larrakia-designed uniform, acknowledging the Larrakia people as the Traditional Owners of the land.

**CARRIED 5/0**

**11 GENERAL BUSINESS****11.1 MEETING DATES 2026****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RAC021/26**

Moved: Community Member Adrian Rotumah

Seconded: NT Indigenous Business Network Deb Anstess-Vallejo

THAT the Reconciliation Advisory Committee meeting sets its meeting schedule for the remainder of 2026 as follows:

- Monday, 17 August 2026 at 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm to be held in Meeting Room Bidjpidji
- Monday, 16 November 2026 at 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm to be held in Meeting Room Bidjpidji

**CARRIED 5/0**

**12 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING**

The next Reconciliation Advisory Committee will be held on Monday, 17 August 2026, at 12:00 PM 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 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*:

**18.1 Developing our next Reconciliation Action Plan – Advisory Committee Focus Areas**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(ii) of the *Local Government Act*, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, be likely to prejudice the maintenance or administration of the law.

**14 CLOSURE OF MEETING****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RAC022/26**

Moved: Community Member Adrian Rotumah

Seconded: Councillor Peter Pangquee

THAT the chair declared the meeting closed at 12:53 pm.

**CARRIED 5/0**

*The meeting be closed at 12:53 pm due to loss of quorum, and that the confidential report be deferred to the next meeting for discussion.*

**The minutes of this meeting are to confirmed at the Reconciliation Advisory Committee Meeting held on 17 August 2026.**

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**CHAIR**



# Minutes

## Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee Meeting

Wednesday, 20 May 2026

Unconfirmed



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**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN  
ARTS AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE MEETING ROOM BIDJPIDJI (MEETING ROOM 1), LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE,  
HARRY CHAN AVENUE, DARWIN  
ON WEDNESDAY, 20 MAY 2026 AT 3:30 PM**

**PRESENT:**

Community Member Petrit Abazi  
Community Member Kelly Blumberg  
Community Member Abby Dunn  
Arts NT Anja Tinapple  
AANT Centre Melissa White

**OFFICERS:**

Executive Manager Community and Cultural Services, Angela O'Donnell

**APOLOGY:**

Community Member Rachael Shanahan  
Community Member Alyson Evans  
Councillor Patrik Ralph

**NOT PRESENT:**

Larrakia Nation David Kurnoth

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### APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

#### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AACDA001/26

Moved: Member Anja Tinapple

Seconded: Community Member Abby Dunn

THAT Community Member Petrit Abazi is appointed as chair for the meeting.

**CARRIED 5/0**

## 2 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

#### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AACDA002/26

Moved: Community Member Kelly Blumberg

Seconded: AANT Centre Melissa White

The Chair declared the meeting open at 3:46pm.

**CARRIED 5/0**

## 3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

### 3.1 APOLOGIES

#### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AACDA003/26

Moved: AANT Centre Melissa White

Seconded: Member Anja Tinapple

THAT an apology from Community Member Alyson Evans and from Councillor Patrik Ralph be received.

**CARRIED 5/0**

### 3.2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

Nil

**3.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTED**

Nil

**4 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE****4.1 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE GRANTED****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AACDA004/26**

Moved: AANT Centre Melissa White

Seconded: Member Anja Tinapple

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 Abby Dunn

**CARRIED 5/0**

**4.2 ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE REQUESTED**

Nil

**5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF****5.1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS****STANDING MEMBER DECLARATIONS**

- Community Member Rachael Shanahan – is on the Textiles Travelling Suitcase Committee and a member on the NT Liquor Commission, NT Racing and Wagering Commission and the Charles Darwin University Finance and Infrastructure Development Committee.
- Community Member Petrit Abazi – is employed by Northern Centre for Contemporary Art (NCCA) which is funded through the Northern Territory Government and the Australian Government.
- Community Member Alyson Evans – is employed by Darwin Community Arts (DCA). DCA applies for City of Darwin funding and grant opportunities.

**5.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY STAFF**

Nil

**6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AACDA005/26**

Moved: AANT Centre Melissa White

Seconded: Member Anja Tinapple

THAT the minutes of the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee Meeting held on 26 November 2025 be confirmed.

**CARRIED 5/0**

**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****8.1 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS**

Nil

**9 OFFICER REPORTS****9.1 2025 / 2026 CREATIVE STRATEGY REPORTING****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AACDA006/26**

Moved: Community Member Kelly Blumberg

Seconded: AANT Centre Melissa White

THAT the report entitled 2025 / 2026 Creative Strategy Reporting be received and noted.

**CARRIED 5/0**

**9.2 PROJECT UPDATES****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AACDA007/26**

Moved: AANT Centre Melissa White

Seconded: Member Anja Tinapple

THAT the report entitled Project Updates be received and noted.

**CARRIED 5/0**

**9.3 ADVISORY COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN - UPDATES****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AACDA008/26**

Moved: Community Member Petrit Abazi

Seconded: Member Anja Tinapple

THAT the report entitled Advisory Committee Action Plan - Updates be received and noted.

The Committee acknowledged their gratitude for the work of Community Member Alyson Evans in delivering the Sector Connect event.

**CARRIED 5/0**

**10 MEMBER REPORTS****RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT the following Member Reports be received and noted.

**Community Member Petrit Abazi**

- MARKED - Tracing Modern Murals and Graffiti Culture in the Northern Territory (1 May – 11 July) Darwin Street Art Festival – 10-year celebration.
  - Artist Talk – 6pm, 2 June
  - Book Launch – 6pm, 4 June
  - Podcast – 12pm, 27 June

**Community Member Kelly Blumberg**

- Nhulunbuy Roadshow tour – TANG.
  - Melanie Mununggurr, MC Shalom Kaa and Laurie May
  - Tour to include workshops with young people
  - Cairns for children's festival two shows, expected attendance 200 – 300 per show
  - Darwin Festival Launch for Thursday 21 May

**Arts NT Anja Tinapple**

- Next generation grants have been expended. New grants program for next financial year.
- Action Plan is coming, mid-July TBC.
- Sector Connect – great, response.
- MAP – scheduled for November.

**AANT Melissa White**

- AANT celebrating 40 years, open day with tours. Great feedback from audiences.
- Garmalang Festival – and free gallery of events. Artist talks, mural inside. Production team new.
- New CEO beginning 8 June.

**Community Member Abby Dunn**

- Week 10 of semester, students busy with assessments.
- New director of Academy of the Arts – Raelke Grimmer (writer / photographic background).
- Plans to activate the gallery space at CDU Danala.
- Short course program development in early stages.

**11 GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil

**12 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING**

THAT the next Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee meeting is yet to be determined.

**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.

**14 CLOSURE OF MEETING**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION AACDA009/26**

Moved: Community Member Kelly Blumberg

Seconded: AANT Centre Melissa White

THAT the meeting be closed at 4:48pm.

**CARRIED 5/0**

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee Meeting held on .

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**CHAIR**

**15 CORRESPONDENCE**

**15.1 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE - NORTHERN TERRITORY ELECTORAL COMMISSION - CHAN WARD BY-ELECTION**

**Author:** Supervisor Councillor Governance

**Authoriser:** Chief Executive Officer

**Attachments:** 1. Incoming Correspondence - Northern Territory Electoral Commission - Chan Ward By-Election [↓](#)

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT the report entitled Incoming Correspondence - Northern Territory Electoral Commission - Chan Ward By-Election be received and noted.



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Simone Saunders  
Chief Executive Officer  
City of Darwin

Delivered via email: [simone.saunders@darwin.nt.gov.au](mailto:simone.saunders@darwin.nt.gov.au)

Dear Simone

**RE: City of Darwin - Chan Ward by-election result**

In accordance with regulation 71(b) of the Local Government (Electoral) Regulations 2021, I hereby certify the result of the 2026 Chan Ward by-election for City of Darwin.

8 candidates contested the election for 1 vacancy for the position of councillor. The number of first preference votes received by each candidate was:

Manik GOWDA	192
Nick KIRLEW	918
Annette GILLANDERS	908
Clarence CJ McCARTHY-GROGAN	1,193
Mirella FEJO	662
LENNY	355
Shiva PANCHALINGAM	790
Steve DOHERTY	698
<b>Total first preference votes</b>	<b>5,716</b>

Under the preferential voting system, the quota required to be elected was 2,859 votes.

A distribution of preferences was conducted in accordance with Schedule 1 of the Local Government (Electoral) Regulations 2021, and the result was:

- Candidate Clarence CJ McCARTHY-GROGAN achieved the quota at count number 7.

Therefore Clarence CJ McCARTHY-GROGAN is duly elected to the position of councillor.

A copy of the election results is attached to this correspondence and available on the NTEC website. Should you have any further queries, please contact me on 08 8999 7613.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kirsten Kelly', written over a horizontal line.

Kirsten Kelly  
Electoral Commissioner

15 June 2026

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**2026 City of Darwin, Chan Ward by-election**  
**Darwin - Chan**  
**Distribution of preferences**

Count	Comments	Manik GOWDA	Nick KIRLEW	Annette GILLANDERS	Clarence CJ MCCARTHY-GROGAN	Mirella FEJO	LENNY	Shiva PANCHALINGAM	Steve DOHERTY	Total	Quota
1	First preferences	192	918	908	1,193	662	355	790	698	5,716	2,859
2	Manik GOWDA excluded <b>Progressive</b>	-192 <b>0</b>	61 <b>979</b>	40 <b>948</b>	26 <b>1,219</b>	12 <b>674</b>	14 <b>369</b>	29 <b>819</b>	10 <b>708</b>	<b>5,716</b>	<b>2,859</b>
3	LENNY excluded <b>Progressive</b>	0 <b>0</b>	98 <b>1,077</b>	70 <b>1,018</b>	57 <b>1,276</b>	41 <b>715</b>	-369 <b>0</b>	53 <b>872</b>	50 <b>758</b>	<b>5,716</b>	<b>2,859</b>
4	Mirella FEJO excluded <b>Progressive</b>	0 <b>0</b>	80 <b>1,157</b>	144 <b>1,162</b>	317 <b>1,593</b>	-715 <b>0</b>	0 <b>0</b>	122 <b>994</b>	52 <b>810</b>	<b>5,716</b>	<b>2,859</b>
5	Steve DOHERTY excluded <b>Progressive</b>	0 <b>0</b>	249 <b>1,406</b>	310 <b>1,472</b>	128 <b>1,721</b>	0 <b>0</b>	0 <b>0</b>	123 <b>1,117</b>	-810 <b>0</b>	<b>5,716</b>	<b>2,859</b>
6	Shiva PANCHALINGAM excluded <b>Progressive</b>	0 <b>0</b>	312 <b>1,718</b>	195 <b>1,667</b>	610 <b>2,331</b>	0 <b>0</b>	0 <b>0</b>	-1,117 <b>0</b>	0 <b>0</b>	<b>5,716</b>	<b>2,859</b>
7	Annette GILLANDERS excluded <b>Progressive</b>	0 <b>0</b>	948 <b>2,666</b>	-1,667 <b>0</b>	719 <b>3,050</b>	0 <b>0</b>	0 <b>0</b>	0 <b>0</b>	0 <b>0</b>	<b>5,716</b>	<b>2,859</b>

Clarence CJ MCCARTHY-GROGAN elected at count 7  
 Clarence CJ MCCARTHY-GROGAN elected at count 7.

**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 Tuesday, 28 July 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

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*:

#### 27.1 NAIDOC Week Sponsorship Proposal Larrakia Nation Aboriginal Corporation

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

#### 27.2 Asset Management Plan - Transport

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

#### 27.3 Asset Management Plan - Pathway and Driveways

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#### 28.1 General Rates in Arrears For More Than Two Years

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#### 28.2 Executive Committee Confidential Meeting Minutes

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#### 29.1 Incoming Correspondence - Airport Development Group

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**22      ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON**

# Minutes

## Ordinary Council Meeting

Tuesday, 26 May 2026

Unconfirmed

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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, 26 MAY 2026 AT 5:30 PM**

**PRESENT:**

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

**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:**

Nil

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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 Nicole Brown was not present at the start of the meeting at 5:42 pm.*

## 3 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

### RESOLUTION ORD209/26

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Councillor Sam Weston

The Chair declared the meeting open at 5:42 pm.

**CARRIED 10/0**

*Councillor Nicole Brown re-joined the meeting at 5:43 pm.*

## 4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

### 4.1 APOLOGIES

Nil

### 4.2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

### RESOLUTION ORD210/26

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 31 March 2026 for the period 26 May 2026.

**CARRIED 11/0**

### 4.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTED

**RESOLUTION ORD211/26**

Moved: Councillor Kim Farrar

Seconded: Councillor Edwin Joseph

1. THAT a Leave of Absence be granted for Councillor Shani Carson for the period 30 June 2026.
2. THAT a Leave of Absence be granted for Councillor Jimmy Bouhoris for the period 22 June 2026 to 26 June 2026
3. THAT a Leave of Absence be granted for Councillor Sylvia Klonaris for the period 8 June to 29 June 2026

**CARRIED 11/0**

### 5 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

#### 5.1 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE GRANTED

Nil

#### 5.2 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE REQUESTED

Nil

### 6 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

#### 6.1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

**RESOLUTION ORD212/26**

Moved: Councillor Shani Carson

Seconded: Councillor Sam Weston

1. THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Deputy Lord Mayor, Jimmy Bouhoris, declared a Conflict of Interest in Item 27.1 – Community Grants 2026/27 Recommendations and Item 27.2 – NAIDOC Week 2026, and Reconciliation Week 2027 Grant Recommendations.
2. 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 27.1 – Community Grants 2026/27 Recommendations.
3. 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 28.2 – Information on Legal Matter.
4. THAT Council note that pursuant to Section 114 and 115 of the *Local Government Act*

2019, Councillor Julie Fraser, declared a Conflict of Interest in Item 27.1 – Community Grants 2026/27 Recommendations and Item 27.2 – NAIDOC Week 2026, and Reconciliation Week 2027 Grant Recommendations.

**CARRIED 11/0**

**6.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY STAFF**

Nil

**7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**RESOLUTION ORD213/26**

Moved: Councillor Shani Carson

Seconded: Councillor Sam Weston

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28 April 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**

**27.1 COMMUNITY GRANTS 2026/2027 RECOMMENDATIONS**

**RESOLUTION ORD229/26**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Councillor Edwin Joseph

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

	Applicant	Activity	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended

1	Cementworx Community Theatre, Darwin Community Arts Inc.	Gunamidirra is a free, immersive underwater visual theatre work led by Cyan Sue Lee. Based on Larrakia cultural knowledge, it features live music, puppetry, dance, tactile experiences, and audience interaction, exploring saltwater country, marine life, belonging, and custodianship. Accessible, intergenerational workshops occur at DCA Travers Street Theatre, October–November 2026.	\$10 000	\$10 000
2	Sahul & Sunda Arts Ltd	Living Motifs - Botanical Batik Workshops and Art Walk delivers four accessible batik workshops led by Indonesian artists, highlighting shared botanical knowledge between Northern Australia and Indonesia. Participants learn techniques, create motifs, and contribute to a collaborative artwork. A public exhibition, performances, and a botanical batik walk extend engagement, fostering cultural exchange, community connection, and lasting access.	\$8 401	\$8 401
3	Multicultural Multigenerational Mainstream Dance Association (M3 Dance)	NT Street Dance Festival showcases local Bboys, hip hop dancers, and other street styles. Delivered by M3 Dance, the three-day program includes workshops and a final public event with performances and battles. It connects young people with opportunities, supports local talent, and promotes street dance culture as a valued artform.	\$9 505	\$9 505
4	Dementia Alliance Darwin	The Community Walk/Jog for Dementia Awareness is a family-friendly event uniting community members to support people living with dementia. Participants choose a 2km or 4km route, with warm-up sessions, information stations, and a shared morning tea. The event promotes inclusion, awareness, connection, and fundraising for local dementia-friendly programs and services.	\$10 000	\$8 000
5	Nigerian Association Northern Territory Australia	The Cultural Identity Lab Youth Dialogue Series supports African-descended youth in Darwin to explore identity, belonging, and cultural pride. Through workshops,	\$6 500	\$6 500

		discussions, and creative activities, participants reflect on their backgrounds, navigate dual cultures, and build confidence, leadership, and connections in a safe, inclusive environment.		
6	Netball NT Inc	The Community Netball Carnival is an inclusive event prioritising participation, fun, and social connection over competition. It features youth social games, all-abilities participation, and walking netball. With music and activities creating a festival atmosphere, the carnival encourages engagement, supports lifelong participation, and addresses youth dropout by promoting accessible, enjoyable sport for all ages.	\$9 987	\$7 595
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$50,000</b>	

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

**CARRIED 8/0**

**27.2 NAIDOC WEEK 2026 AND RECONCILIATION WEEK 2027 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS**

**RESOLUTION ORD230/26**

Moved: Councillor Peter Pangquee  
 Seconded: Councillor Sam Weston

1. THAT the report entitled NAIDOC Week 2026, and Reconciliation Week 2027 Grant Recommendations be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the following six projects for funding NAIDOC Week and Reconciliation Week Grant program, for the total of \$50,000.

	Applicant	Activity	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
1	Hoops 4 Health Pty Ltd	Hoops 4 Health proposes a high-energy, community-focused activation on the Darwin Esplanade during NAIDOC Week 2026. The event will be held on Thursday 9 July 2026.	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00
2	Deadly Enterprises Pty Ltd (t/a Deadly Vision Centre)	The Deadly Cup Rugby League Carnival is a free, community-led health promotion event held annually during NAIDOC Week in Darwin.	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
3	King Studios Australia Pty	The First Collective – Timeless Threads is a First Nations–led runway	\$9,150.00	\$9,150.00

	Ltd	show to be held on the Friday evening of NAIDOC Week at Rapid Creek Markets on Larrakia Country.		
4	Northern Territory Indigenous Business Austral	The Northern Territory Indigenous Business Network (NTIBN) NAIDOC Event at Cullen Bay is a vibrant celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, enterprise, and community.	\$9,821.00	\$9,821.00
5	TRACKS Care Pty Ltd	Tracks Care proposes to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living with disability to actively participate in the mainstream Darwin NAIDOC Week community celebrations.	\$9,900.00	\$6,279.00
6	Ironbark Aboriginal Corporation	Ironbark Aboriginal Corporation will host a NAIDOC Week community event at Darwin Corporate Park to celebrate the 2026 theme, "50 Years of Deadly."	\$9,150.00	\$5,750.00

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 9/0**

**28.1 CYCLONE FINA LESSONS LEARNED**

**RESOLUTION ORD236/26**

Moved: Councillor Shani Carson  
 Seconded: Councillor Peter Pangquee

1. THAT the report entitled Cyclone Fina Lessons Learned 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 10/0**

**28.3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONFIDENTIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**RESOLUTION ORD238/26**

Moved: Councillor Sam Weston  
 Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

1. THAT the report entitled Executive Committee Confidential Meeting Minutes be received and noted.
2. THAT this report and any attachments be deemed confidential documents and be treated as such in accordance with Section 293 (1) of the *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 10/0**

## **28.4 ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES - DRAFT MUNICIPAL PLAN 2026/27**

### **RESOLUTION ORD239/26**

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

1. THAT the report entitled Engagement Outcomes - Draft Municipal Plan 2026/27 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 this report, **Attachment 1** and **Attachment 3**, and that this decision be moved into Open at the end of the meeting.

**CARRIED 11/0**

## **9 MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE / LORD MAYORAL MINUTE**

Nil

## **10 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Nil

## **11 PETITIONS**

Nil

## **12 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS**

Nil

## **13 ACTION REPORTS**

### **13.1 ROAD VERGE PLANTING POLICY**

#### **RESOLUTION ORD214/26**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Councillor Patrik Ralph

1. THAT the report entitled Road Verge Planting Policy be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopt the Road Verge Planting Policy at **Attachment 1**.
3. THAT Council receive and note the Road Verge Planting Requirements Application Form at **Attachment 2**.
4. THAT Council rescind the Verges Policy at **Attachment 3**.
5. THAT Council rescind the Trees on Verges – Conservation Policy at **Attachment 4**.

**CARRIED 11/0****13.2 REZONING FROM LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (LR) TO LOW MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (LMR) AND AMENDMENT TO THE DARWIN INNER SUBURBS AREA PLAN****RESOLUTION ORD215/26**

Moved: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris  
Seconded: Councillor Peter Pangquee

1. THAT the report entitled Rezoning from Low Density Residential (LR) to Low Medium Density Residential (LMR) and Amendment to the Darwin Inner Suburbs Area Plan be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse the draft submission letter to the Department of Lands, Planning and Environment provided at **Attachment 1**.

**CARRIED 8/3****14 RECEIVE & NOTE REPORTS****14.1 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - APRIL 2026****RESOLUTION ORD216/26**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris  
Seconded: Councillor Kim Farrar

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

**CARRIED 11/0****14.2 ADVISORY AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OPEN MEETING MINUTES****RESOLUTION ORD217/26**

Moved: Councillor Sam Weston  
Seconded: Councillor Shani Carson

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

**CARRIED 11/0****15 CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil

**16 NOTICES OF MOTION**

Nil

**17 REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES****RESOLUTION ORD218/26**

Moved: Councillor Peter Pangquee

Seconded: Councillor Julie Fraser

THAT the following Reports of Representatives be received and noted.

**17.1**

Councillor Shani Carson reported on attending the East Point Advisory Committee meeting on 15 May 2026, acting as chair in Councillor Palmer's absence. Councillor Carson outlined key items, from the agenda including the Heritage Council decision on the Darwin Street Art proposal, discussions on a broader strategy for East Point and concerns around anti-social behaviour in the area. Updates included the Fannie Bay Equestrian Centre Open Day on 30 May, an upcoming Friends of East Point planting day, and a recognised CDU research project on Lake Alexander.

**17.2**

Councillor Patrik Ralph reported on attending the Malak Markets opening night on Saturday, 16 May, with Waters Ward Councillors Sylvia Konaris and Kim Farrar. Councillors engaged with residents on the Draft 2026/27 Municipal Plan. Councillor Ralph also commended the organisers, noting it is Darwin's only night market aside from the Mindil Markets and a valuable event for the Waters Ward.

**17.3**

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris reported on the Waters Ward Annual Mother's Day Heart Foundation Breakfast held at the Anula Greenbelt. It was an overall successful event with a great turnout. Additionally, Members of the Karama Community Garden have recently raised concerns with Elected Members regarding an increase of vandalism in the area. Lastly, Councillor Klonaris reminded Elected Members of the first Waters Ward movie night, scheduled for Friday, 29 May 2026 at Moil Oval.

**17.4**

Councillor Peter Pangquee reported on the Jingili Water Festival and Families Week event held at Jingili Water Gardens on Saturday 16 May 2026. The event attracted over 4,000 attendees and received positive feedback from the community. Officers were commended for delivering a successful event, and thanks was extended to all Elected Members who attended and showed their support.

**CARRIED 11/0**

**18 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS****18.1 LYONS COMMUNITY CENTRE****RESOLUTION ORD219/26**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Councillor Nicole Brown

**Question:**

Councillor Edwin Joseph requested an update on the aircon repairs in the Lyons Community Centre and if City of Darwin are offering discounted rates for the regular bookings to compensate for the lack of aircon.

**Response:**

The General Manager Community Matt Grassmayr advised Elected Members that the Lyons Community Centre has been significantly damaged due to vandalism and the theft of copper wiring. The air conditioning system requires full replacement, with parts on order. The facility will close from Thursday, 28 May, with all bookings cancelled and regular users notified to allow the first phase of works to commence. Contractors are expected to install the new HVAC system within approximately three weeks. No discounted rates will be offered, as hire fees are already highly subsidised. Prospective users have been informed of the air conditioning issues and have chosen to proceed with bookings.

**CARRIED 11/0****18.2 ALAWA HALL****RESOLUTION ORD220/26**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris  
Seconded: Councillor Nicole Brown

**Question:**

The Deputy Lord Mayor, Jimmy Bouhoris requested an update on the status of Alawa Hall.

**Response:**

The General Manager Community Matt Grassmayr informed Elected Members that the hall is currently not in use. The facility experienced vandalism-related damage has been secured and boarded up to prevent further damage.

**CARRIED 11/0****18.3 CASUARINA AQUATIC AND LEISURE CENTRE****RESOLUTION ORD221/26**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris  
Seconded: Councillor Nicole Brown

**Question**

The Deputy Lord Mayor, Jimmy Bouhoris requested an update on the lease negotiations for the Casuarina Aquatic and Leisure Centre.

**Response**

The General Manager Innovation, Alice Percy advised that the matter be raised in the Confidential section of the meeting.

**CARRIED 11/0**

**18.4 ROBYN LESLEY PARK****RESOLUTION ORD222/26**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Councillor Nicole Brown

**Question:**

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris inquired whether a power outlet could be installed at Robyn Lesley Park to help deter vandalism in the Karama Community Garden.

**Response:**

The Chief Executive Officer Simone Saunders responded and advised Councillor Klonaris to email the request through to Councillor Support to enable officers to investigate feasibility.

**CARRIED 11/0****18.5 OPENING OF AGAPI CARE****RESOLUTION ORD223/26**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Councillor Nicole Brown

**Question:**

Councillor Sylvia Klonaris asked whether an official opening is planned for AGAPI Care, following the signing of the lease for the former Karama Childcare Centre.

**Response:**

The Lord Mayor Peter Styles, responded and advised Councillor Klonaris to email the request through to Councillor Support so officers can provide a response.

**CARRIED 11/0****18.6 MALAK SHOPPING CENTRE CARPARK****RESOLUTION ORD224/26**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Councillor Nicole Brown

**Question:**

Councillor Patrik Ralph asked whether any works are planned for the Malak Shopping Centre car park and surrounding area, including the timeline, scope, and potential impacts on the car park particularly in relation to accessible parking spaces.

**Response:**

The General Manager Innovation, Alice Percy advised Councillor Patrik Ralph to email their

questions through to Councillor Support so officers can provide a response.

**CARRIED 11/0**

## **19 GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **19.1 QUEENSLAND UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH**

#### **RESOLUTION ORD225/26**

Moved: Councillor Sam Weston  
Seconded: Councillor Shani Carson

Councillor Julie Fraser advised Elected Members that a research team from the Queensland University of Technology (QUT) has reached out to conduct interviews on coastal erosion and the relocation and retreat of coastal communities due to climate change. The research will be carried out nationally and will form part of a broader project examining the impacts of global warming on coastal communities.

**CARRIED 11/0**

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

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 30 June 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.

#### **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 Community Grants 2026/2027 Recommendations**

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 NAIDOC Week 2026 and Reconciliation Week 2027 Grant Recommendations**

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 Friendship City Relationship**

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

**27.4 Review of Advisory Committees**

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.

**28.1 Cyclone Fina Lessons Learned**

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.

**28.2 Information on Legal Matter**

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

**28.3 Executive Committee Confidential Meeting Minutes**

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**28.4 Engagement Outcomes - Draft Municipal Plan 2026/27**

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**22 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON**

**RESOLUTION ORD226/26**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Councillor Kim Farrar

THAT the open section of the meeting be adjourned at 6:33 pm.

**CARRIED 12/0**

THAT the open section of the meeting be resumed at 8:57 pm.

THAT the chair declared the meeting closed at 8:57 pm.

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 30 June 2026.**

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**CHAIR**

# Minutes

## Special Council Meeting

Tuesday, 9 June 2026

Unconfirmed

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**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS DARRANDIRRA, LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY  
CHAN AVENUE, DARWIN  
ON TUESDAY, 9 JUNE 2026 AT 5:30PM**

**PRESENT:**

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

**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  
Councillor Julie Fraser

**GUESTS:**

Nil

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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

*Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris was not present at the start of the meeting at 5:33 pm*

## 3 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

### RESOLUTION SPE246/26

Moved: Councillor Peter Pangquee

Seconded: Councillor Sam Weston

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

**CARRIED 9/0**

*Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris joined the meeting at 5:34 pm*

## 4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

### 4.1 APOLOGIES

### RESOLUTION SPE247/26

Moved: Councillor Peter Pangquee

Seconded: Councillor Kim Farrar

THAT the apology from Councillor Julie Fraser, be received.

**CARRIED 10/0**

### 4.2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

### RESOLUTION SPE248/26

Moved: Councillor Peter Pangquee

Seconded: Councillor Kim Farrar

THAT it be noted Councillor Mick Palmer is an apology due to a Leave of Absence previously

granted on 31 March for the period 2 May 2026 to 23 June 2026.

**CARRIED 10/0**

#### **4.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTED**

Nil

### **5 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE**

#### **5.1 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE GRANTED**

Nil

#### **5.2 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE REQUESTED**

Nil

### **6 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF COUNCILLORS AND STAFF**

#### **6.1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY COUNCILLORS**

Nil

#### **6.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY STAFF**

Nil

### **7 MOVING OF ITEMS**

Nil

### **8 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS**

Nil

### **9 ACTION REPORTS**

#### **9.1 DECLARATION OF RATES AND CHARGES 2026/2027**

#### **RESOLUTION SPE249/26**

Moved: Councillor Peter Pangquee

Seconded: Councillor Kim Farrar

1. THAT the report entitled Declaration of Rates and Charges 2026/2027 be received and noted.
2. THAT the Certificate in terms of Regulation 29 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*, provided in Attachment 1, regarding Assessment Record and Record of Rates, be received and noted.
3. THAT Council, pursuant to Section 227(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* (the Act), adopts the Unimproved Capital Value (as it appears on the valuation roll prepared and maintained under the Valuation of Land Act 1963) as the basis of the assessed value of allotments within the Darwin Municipality.
4. Council, pursuant to Section 237 of the Act, declares that it intends to raise, for general purposes by way of rates, the amount of \$83,728,075 which will be raised by the application of differential valuation-based charges ("differential rates") with differential minimum amounts ("minimum amounts") being payable in application of each of those differential rates.

For the purposes of this paragraph 4, a "separate part or unit" means a part of or a unit on an allotment that is adapted for separate occupation or use as described in section 226(5) of the Act, whether for residential, commercial or industrial purposes, and the expression "separate parts or units" has a corresponding meaning.

Council declares the following differential rates and minimum amounts payable in the application of those differential rates for the financial year ending 30 June 2027:

- (a) 0.623470% of the assessed value of all rateable land within those parts of the municipality zoned LR, RR, R or RL under the NT Planning Scheme 2020, with the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$1,464.00 multiplied by:
  - (i) the number of separate parts or units on each allotment of land; or
  - (ii) the number 1,whichever is the greater.
- (b) 0.623470% of the assessed value of all rateable land within those parts of the municipality zoned LMR, MR or HR under the *NT Planning Scheme 2020*, with the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$1,538.00 multiplied by:
  - (i) the number of separate parts or units on each allotment of land; or
  - (ii) the number 1,whichever is the greater.
- (c) 0.454165% of the assessed value of all rateable land within those parts of the municipality zoned CV under the NT Planning Scheme 2020, with the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$1,464.00 multiplied by:
  - (i) the number of separate parts or units on each allotment of land; or
  - (ii) the number 1,whichever is the greater.
- (d) 0.845139% of the assessed value of all rateable land within those parts of the municipality zoned CB under the NT Planning Scheme 2020, with the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$1,855.00 multiplied by:
  - (i) the number of separate parts or units on each allotment of land; or
  - (ii) the number 1,whichever is the greater.
- (e) 1.231886% of the assessed value of all rateable land within those parts of the municipality zoned PS or CN under the NT Planning Scheme 2020, with the minimum

amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$1,527.00 multiplied by:

(i) the number of separate parts or units on each allotment of land; or

(ii) the number 1,

whichever is the greater.

(f) 0.631324% of the assessed value of all rateable land within those parts of the municipality zoned OR under the NT Planning Scheme 2020, with the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$606.00 multiplied by:

(i) the number of separate parts or units on each allotment of land; or

(ii) the number 1,

whichever is the greater.

(g) 0.623470% of the assessed value of all rateable land within those parts of the municipality zoned FD, CP, CL, RD or U and the Specific Use Zones under the NT Planning Scheme 2020, with the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$1,538.00 multiplied by:

(i) the number of separate parts or units on each allotment of land; or

(ii) the number 1,

whichever is the greater.

(h) 0.800066% of the assessed value of all rateable land within those parts of the municipality zoned C, or SC under the NT Planning Scheme 2020, other than those classes of allotments described in paragraphs (m) and (n) below, with the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$1,527.00 multiplied by:

(i) the number of separate parts or units on each allotment of land; or

(ii) the number 1,

whichever is the greater.

(i) 0.619176% of the assessed value of all rateable land within those parts of the municipality zoned TC or HT under the NT Planning Scheme 2020, with the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$1,527.00 multiplied by:

(i) the number of separate parts or units on each allotment of land; or

(ii) the number 1,

whichever is the greater.

(j) 0.581325% of the assessed value of all rateable land within those parts of the municipality zoned LI under the NT Planning Scheme 2020, with the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$1,527.00 multiplied by:

(i) the number of separate parts or units on each allotment of land; or

(ii) the number 1,

whichever is the greater.

(k) 0.504925% of the assessed value of all rateable land (other than the small allotments identified in paragraph (l) below) within those parts of the municipality zoned GI or DV under the NT Planning Scheme 2020, with the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$1,527.00 multiplied by:

(i) the number of separate parts or units on each allotment of land; or

(ii) the number 1,

whichever is the greater.

(l) Council considers the following classes of allotments within the municipality zoned GI

to be a different class of allotments and small allotments for the purposes of section 226(3)(b) of the Act and the example given at the foot of that section:

- (i) Units 1 to 3 and Units 5 to 98 comprised in Unit Plan No. 95/95;
- (ii) Units 101 to 216 in Unit Plan 97/112;
- (iii) Units 17 to 32 comprised in Unit Plan 98/32;
- (iv) Lots 6244 to 6285 Hundred of Bagot; and
- (v) Lots 6330 to 6336 Hundred of Bagot.

Council considers that an inequity would result if the minimum amount declared in respect of rateable land within Zone GI were applied to these small allotments, and accordingly, Council declares a lesser minimum amount, being \$381.00 to be payable in respect of each of these small allotments.

- (m) 1.351626% of the assessed value of those classes of allotments within the municipality zoned C or SC under the NT Planning Scheme 2020 with a parcel area equal to or greater than 40,000m<sup>2</sup> and being allotments on which there is situated a major shopping centre, with the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential being \$1,527.00 multiplied by:
  - (i) the number of separate parts or units on each allotment of land; or
  - (ii) the number 1,
 whichever is the greater.
- (n) 0.800066% of the assessed value of those classes of allotments within the municipality zoned C or SC under the NT Planning Scheme 2020 with a parcel area less than 40,000m<sup>2</sup> and being allotments on which there is situated a major shopping centre, with the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$1,527.00 multiplied by:
  - (i) the number of separate parts or units on each allotment of land; or
  - (ii) the number 1,
 whichever is the greater.
- (o) 0.623470% of the assessed value of every allotment of rateable land within the municipality not otherwise described above, with the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$1,464.00 multiplied by:
  - (i) the number of separate parts or units on each allotment of land; or
  - (ii) the number 1,
 whichever is the greater.

5. Pursuant to Section 240 of the Act and Regulation 84 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* (the **Regulations**) Council imposes the following municipal parking rate for land in Central Darwin as defined in Regulation 83 of the Regulations (the **Parking Rate**):

- (a) The amount to be raised by the imposition of the Parking Rate is \$1,189,562.
- (b) The Parking Rate is to be an amount of \$294.19 per parking space which will be calculated, assessed, levied and payable in accordance with the Regulations.
- (c) The parking usage schedule 2026/2027 has been prepared in accordance with Regulation 86 of the Regulations and has been notified on City of Darwin's Website and in the Northern Territory News on 1 June 2026 in accordance with Regulation 87 of the Regulations. A person may inspect the parking usage schedule free of charge.
- (d) An application for a review in relation to an entry in the parking usage schedule may be made in accordance with regulation 88 of the Regulations. An application for a review must be made no later than 1 July 2026.

- (e) The Parking Rate will be applied by Council to the trading fund established pursuant to Regulation 85 of the Regulations.

6. Pursuant to Section 239 of the Act, Council declares and imposes the following charges for the financial year ending 30 June 2027 for the purpose of enabling or assisting Council to meet the cost of the garbage collection and recycling collection services and the waste disposal services it provides for the benefit of residential land within the municipality and the occupiers of such land and declares that it intends to raise \$10,814,248 by the imposition of such charges:

- (a) A charge of \$378.95 per annum per residential dwelling in respect of kerbside garbage and recycling collection services and a waste disposal service provided for the benefit of, or which Council is willing and able to provide for the benefit of, each residential dwelling within the municipality other than a residential dwelling as described in Parts 1 and 2 of the Schedule below and the occupiers of such residential dwelling.

The services are:

- (i) a kerbside garbage collection service of one visit per week of the waste contained in a maximum of one 240 litre mobile bin per garbage collection visit; and
- (ii) a kerbside recycling collection service of one visit per fortnight of the recycled items contained in a maximum of one 240 litre mobile bin per recycling visit; and
- (iii) access to Shoal Bay, by means of an access tag of such type as may be provided by the Council, to enable the owner or occupier of such residential dwelling to dispose of such waste items as may be accepted by the operator of Shoal Bay from time to time. Council will provide one access tag for each such residential dwelling. Additional or replacement tags can be purchased for the fee determined by Council from time to time.

- (b) A charge of \$353.43 per annum per residential dwelling in respect of non-kerbside (communal) garbage and recycling collection services and a waste disposal service provided for the benefit of, or which Council is willing and able to provide for the benefit of, each residential dwelling within the municipality where the number of residential dwellings (as the case may be) exceeds three (3).

The services to be provided by Council are as described in Part 1 of the Schedule below and in Part 2 of the Schedule below where the facilities in and about the residential dwellings meet the requirements of the Council for the purposes of providing the services, and Council has not approved an alternative regular garbage and recycling collection service.

- (c) For the purposes of this paragraph 0:
- (i) "residential dwelling" means a dwelling house, flat or other substantially self-contained residential unit or building on residential land and includes a unit within the meaning of the Unit Titles Act 1975 and the Unit Title Schemes Act 2009;
- (ii) "residential land" means land used or capable of being used for residential purposes (but does not include land on which there is no residential dwelling); and
- (iii) "Shoal Bay" means the Shoal Bay Waste Management Facility located at Lot 3952 Town of Sanderson.

### **SCHEDULE**

#### **CITY OF DARWIN**

#### **GARBAGE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICES**

#### **PART 1 –**

### Communal Services for more than 3 residential dwellings

The services are –

- (a) two (2) non-kerbside garbage collections per week; and
- (b) one (1) non-kerbside recycling collection per week,

with the collection of waste and recycled items contained in the number of bins for garbage and recycling collections being as set out in the table below; and

- (c) access to Shoal Bay, by means of an access tag of such type as may be provided by the Council, to enable the owner or occupier of such residential dwelling to dispose of such waste items as may be accepted by the operator of Shoal Bay from time to time. Council will provide one access tag for each such residential dwelling. Additional or replacement tags can be purchased for the fee determined by Council from time to time.

NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS	GARBAGE BINS 240 LITRE	RECYCLING BINS 240 LITRE	TOTAL NUMBER 240 LTR BINS
4	1	1	2
5-6	2	1	3
7-8	2	2	4
9-12	3	2	5
13-16	4	3	7
17-18	5	3	8
19-20	5	4	9
21-24	6	4	10
25-28	7	5	12
29-30	8	5	13
31-32	8	6	14
33-36	9	7	16
37-40	10	7	17
41-44	11	8	19
45-48	12	8	20

### PART 2 –

#### Communal Services for more than 12 residential dwellings which have facilities that meet the requirements of Council

The services are –

- (a) two (2) non-kerbside garbage collections per week; and
- (b) one (1) non-kerbside recycling collection per week,

with the collection of waste and recycled items contained in the number of bins for garbage and recycling collections being as set out in the table below; and

- (c) access to Shoal Bay, by means of an access tag of such type as may be provided by the Council, to enable the owner or occupier of such residential dwelling to dispose of such waste items as may be accepted by the operator of Shoal Bay from time to time.

Council will provide one access tag for each such residential dwelling. Additional or replacement tags can be purchased for the fee determined by Council from time to time.

NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS	GARBAGE BINS 1,100 LITRE	RECYCLING BINS 240 LITRE	TOTAL NUMBER MIXED BINS
13-16	1	3	4
17-18	2	3	5
NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS	GARBAGE BINS 1,100 LITRE	RECYCLING BINS 1,100 LITRE	TOTAL NUMBER 1,100 LTR BINS
19-24	2	1	3
25-32	2	2	4
33-48	3	2	5
49-64	4	3	7
65-71	5	3	8
72-80	5	4	9
81-96	6	4	10
97-112	7	5	12

7. The relevant interest rate for the late payment of rates and charges is fixed in accordance with Section 245 of the Act at the rate of 18.0% per annum and is to be calculated on a daily basis.
8. Rates and charges declared under this declaration may be paid by four (4) approximately equal instalments on the following dates, namely:-
- First Instalment: 30 September 2026
  - Second Instalment: 30 November 2026
  - Third Instalment: 31 January 2027
  - Fourth Instalment: 31 March 2027
- Instalments falling due on a weekend or public holiday may be paid by the following business day, without incurring any penalty.
9. Details of due dates and specified amounts will be listed on the relevant Rates Notice.
10. Variations to those options for payment will be administered according to the conditions outlined on the front and reverse of the Rates Notice.
11. A ratepayer who fails to abide by such conditions may be sued for recovery of the principal amount of the rates and charges, accrued interest for late payment and costs reasonably incurred by Council in recovering or attempting to recover the rates and charges. If rates are payable by the owner of the land and are not paid by the due date, they become a charge on the land to which they relate, except within an Aboriginal community living area. In addition, after rates have been in arrears for at least 6 months, Council may apply to register its charge over the land and sell the land to recover unpaid rates and charges.

**CARRIED 9/1**

**9.2 ADOPTION OF 2026/27 MUNICIPAL PLAN****RESOLUTION SPE250/26**

Moved: Councillor Sam Weston

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

1. THAT the report entitled Adoption of 2026/27 Municipal Plan be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopt the 2026/27 City of Darwin Municipal Plan, provided at **Attachment 1**, noting that it includes:
  - (a) City of Darwin's annual service delivery plan as the basis of deliverables to the Darwin municipality for 2026/27
  - (b) the 2026/27 Annual Budget to be effective from 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027.
3. THAT Council adopt the 2026/27 Fees and Charges as provided at **Attachment 2**, to be effective from 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027.

**CARRIED 9/1**

**10 REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Nil

**11 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS**

Nil

**12 GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil

**13 CLOSURE OF MEETING****RESOLUTION SPE251/26**

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Councillor Sylvia Klonaris

THAT the open section of the meeting be adjourned at 5:48 pm.

**CARRIED 10/0**

THAT the open section of the meeting be resumed at 5:48 pm.

THAT the chair declared the meeting closed at 5:48pm.

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting of the City of Darwin held on 30 June 2026.**

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**CHAIR**