

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL**FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY MEETING OF THE TWENTIETH COUNCIL****TUESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2010**

MEMBERS: The Right Worshipful, Lord Mayor, Mr G R Sawyer (Chairman); Member J D Bailey; Member R T Dee; Member R K Elix; Member H I Galton; Member G A Lambert; Member R Lesley; Member F P Marrone; Member A R Mitchell; Member K M Moir; Member J L Sangster; Member H D Sjoberg.

OFFICERS: Chief Executive Officer, Mr B P Dowd; General Manager Corporate Services, Mr F Crawley; General Manager Infrastructure, Mr L Cercarelli; General Manager Community & Cultural Services, Mr J Banks; Committee Administrator, Ms L Elmer.

GUESTS: Mr John Bradford will be in attendance from 5.15 p.m. to brief the Council on his recent book titled 'The Bombing of Darwin: Demystifying the Controversies and Myths'.

Enquiries and/or Apologies: Linda Elmer
E-mail: l.elmer@darwin.nt.gov.au
PH: 8930 0670

***** I N D E X *******PAGE**

1	ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY	4
2	THE LORD'S PRAYER	4
3	MEETING DECLARED OPEN.....	4
4	APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE.....	4
5	DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF.....	5

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS/S

6.1	Ordinary Council Meetings	09/02/10	5
6.2	Special Council Meeting	16/02/10	5

7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING/S

7.1	Business Arising	5
-----	------------------------	---

8 MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE5**9 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS**

9.1	The Bombing of Darwin: Demystifying the Controversies and Myths'	6
-----	--	---

10 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME6**11 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

11.1	Closure to the Public for Confidential Items	7
11.2	Moving Open Items Into Confidential	7
11.3	Moving Confidential Items into Open	7

12 PETITIONS.....8**13 NOTICES OF MOTION8****14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

14.1	Community & Cultural Services	08/02/10	9
14.2	Corporate & Economic Development	15/02/10	24
14.3	Environment & Infrastructure	15/02/10	29

15 OFFICERS REPORTS

15.1	By-Election Chan Ward 2010	34
15.2	Committee Replacements for the late Alderman Greg Jarvis.....	38
15.3	Policy Manual	43
15.4	Financial Report to Council – January 2010	63
15.5	Status of Grants Funding Application	94

16 INFORMATION ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

16.1	Call for Nominations for the NT Weeds Advisory Committee (LGANT.....	104
16.2	BHP Billiton's Proposed Use of Port of Darwin.....	114

17 REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES.....117**18 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS.....117****19 GENERAL BUSINESS117****20 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING.117****21 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC117****22 ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON117**

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

2 THE LORD'S PRAYER

3 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4.1 Apologies

4.2 Leave of Absence Granted

- A. THAT it be noted that The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor, Mr G R Sawyer is an apology due to a Leave of Absence being previously granted on 9 February 2010 for the period 23-28 February 2010.
- B. THAT it be noted that Member H D Sjoberg is an apology due to a Leave of Absence being previously granted on 9 February 2010 for the period 21-26 February 2010.
- C. THAT it be noted that Member K M Moir is an apology due to a Leave of Absence being previously granted on 27 January 2010 for the period 16 February to 24 February 2010.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

4.3 Leave of Absence Requested

THAT a Leave of Absence be granted for The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor, Mr G R Sawyer for the period 20 to 29 March 2010.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF**6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS/S****6.1 Confirmation of the Previous Ordinary Council Meeting**

THAT the tabled minutes of the previous Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 9 February 2010, be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

6.2 Confirmation of the Previous Special Council Meeting

THAT the tabled minutes of the previous Special Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 16 February 2010, be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING/S**7.1 Business Arising****8 MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE**

9 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS

- 9.1 Mr John Bradford will be in attendance from 5.15 p.m. to brief the Council on his recent book titled 'The Bombing of Darwin: Demystifying the Controversies and Myths'

THAT the presentation by Mr John Bradford, on 'The Bombing of Darwin: Demystifying the Controversies and Myths, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

10 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

11 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**11.1 Closure to the Public for Confidential Items**

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

<u>Item</u>	<u>Regulation</u>	<u>Reason</u>
C28.1	8(c)(iv)	Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.
C30.1	8(c)(iv)	Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

11.2 Moving Open Items Into Confidential**11.3 Moving Confidential Items Into Open**

12 PETITIONS

Nil

13 NOTICES OF MOTION

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (8/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 February 2010

1 Darwin City Brass Band Business Plan and Budget for 2009/2010
Document No.16862321 (06/11/09) Common No. 1518319

THAT the Darwin City Brass Band Business Plan and Budget for 2009/2010, dated 6 November 2009, Document Number 1686231, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

2 Public Library Funding Grant
Document No. 1704486 (03/12/09) Common No. 1424436

THAT the letter from the Minister for Arts and Museums The Hon Gerry McCarthy MLA dated 3 December 2009, in respect to the delay in processing the Public Library Funding & Library Resource Allocation, Document Number 1704486, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

3 Public Library Funding
Document No. 1713191, (17/12/09) Common No. 1424436

A. THAT the letter from the Minister for Arts and Museums The Hon Gerry McCarthy MLA dated 17 December 2009, advising Council that the Government will not cut funding to any library in the Territory, Document Number 1713191, be received and noted.

B. THAT Council writes to the Minister for Arts and Museums requesting a timeframe for the completion of library funding agreement negotiations.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (8/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 February 2010

4 Regulatory Services Update November, December and January 09/10

Report No 10C0015 DN:mrg (01/02/10) Common No. 1330602

THAT Report Number 10C0015 DN:mrg entitled, Regulatory Services Update November, December and January 09/10, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

5 International Women's Day 2010 Event Update - 7 March 2010

Report No 10C0008 NM:es (22/01/10) Common No. 1689341

THAT Report Number 10C0008 NM:es entitled, International Women's Day 2010 Event Update 7 March 2010, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

6 Libraries Information Update for November, December 2009 and January 2010

Report No 10P0001 KC:md (22/01/10) Common No. 1685026

THAT Report Number 10P0001 KC:md entitled, Libraries Information Update for November, December 2009 and January 2010, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (8/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 February 2010

7 Libraries Bombing of Darwin Collection

Report No 10P0002 KC:md (02/02/10) Common No. 1732519

- A. THAT Report Number 10P0002 KC:md entitled, Libraries Bombing of Darwin Collection, be received and noted.
- B. THAT a further report be prepared on the cost of digitising the Bombing of Darwin collection be presented to Council and that the report include the feasibility of including a library facility in the proposed Cavenagh Street development.
- C. THAT a further report be prepared in respect potential partnerships with the NT Government and other parties in respect to highlighting the value of Bombing of Darwin Historical material

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

8 Youth Advisory Group Minutes 4 November 2009 and Appointment New Member

Report No 10C0003 KL:es (22/01/10) Common No. 1717201

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0003 KL:es entitled, Youth Advisory Group Minutes 4 November 2009 and Appointment of New Member, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council appoints Mr Matthew Haubrick as a member of the Youth Advisory Group (YAG) for a 3 year term from 30 November 2009 to 29 April 2012 in accordance with Section 54 of the NT Local Government Act 2008.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (8/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 February 2010

9 Sponsorship Application from Screen Arts for Fist Full of Films 2010 Festival

Report No 10C0005 NM:es (22/01/10) Common No. 1707493

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0005 NM:es entitled, Sponsorship Application from Screen Arts for Fist Full of Films 2010 Festival, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council sponsor Fist Full of Films 2010 to the amount of \$10,000 plus \$5,000 in-kind support from the Arts events and activities budget number 05/221004/300/320.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (8/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 February 2010

10 Minimum Distances and other Aspects of the Management of Fireworks Events

Report No 10C0001 AF:kl (22/01/10) Common No. 1685026

(Lord Mayor/Mitchell)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0001 AF:kl entitled, Minimum Distances and Other Aspects of the Management of Fireworks Events, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council requests that the NT Government undertakes legislative changes such that the schedule of minimum safety clearance distances for display or special effects fireworks reflects those of other jurisdictions which have considered the Australian Standard (including 2187.4) to be inadequate for community safety purposes.
- C. THAT Council adopts the assessment process outlined 1 – 5 in this recommendation, to comprise how Council reviews a fireworks display or special effects permit application:-
 - i). Ascertain if Council has received prior complaints in any way linked to the current permit application.
 - ii). If not, Council should not object to the permit application.
 - iii). If so, Council should undertake to investigate the frequency, nature and breadth of the adverse impacts captured in the complaint/s.
 - iv). Assess whether Council should object to the application permit in accordance with a risk management framework comprised of two principles – the likelihood of risk and the consequences of such likelihood.
 - v). Any recommendation to object must be endorsed by the General Manager of Community and Cultural Services with supporting evidence of the investigation.

DECISION NO.20\()

(23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (8/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 February 2010

11 Report on The Viability of Further Exclusion Zones for Fireworks Activities on Territory Day 2010

Report No 10C0011 AF:kl (22/01/10) Common No. 1176862

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0011 AF:kl entitled, Report on The Viability of Further Exclusion Zones for Fireworks Activities on Territory Day 2010, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council retains the existing level of commitment to oversighting the fireworks exclusion zone at Mindil Beach on Territory Day 2010.
- C. THAT Council requests that the NT Government undertake to examine further strategies to restrict the use of private fireworks in particular areas in preparation for Territory Day 2010 including amendments to the Dangerous Goods Act prescribing exclusion zones.
- D. THAT a further report be prepared that identifies possible sites where the community could be encouraged to utilise fireworks on Territory Day.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (8/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 February 2010

12 Update on Status of Funding for the Secure Taxi Rank

Report No 10C0007 AF:kl (22/01/10) Common No. 1244687

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0007 AF:kl entitled, Update on Status of Funding for the Secure Taxi Rank, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council continues to request that the NT Government undertake to fund the secure taxi rank via a levy on licensed premises in the CBD.
- C. THAT \$40,000 be allocated to fund the secure taxi rank for twelve months.
- D. THAT a further report be prepared on the taxi rank allocations within the Central Business Zone.
- E. THAT Council writes to NT Government seeking formal response in relation to a possible alcohol levy which could be used in part to fund secure taxi ranks.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (8/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 February 2010

13 Overview of Local and Interstate Neighbourhood Dispute Mediation Models

Report No 10C0014 AF:kl (22/01/10) Common No. 1732635

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0014 AF:kl entitled, Overview of Local and Interstate Neighbourhood Dispute Mediation Models, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council links this report to its Complaint Management Procedure which highlights the option to refer constituents to the NT Government's neighbourhood dispute resolution service as appropriate.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 Feedback Report Children's Week Event 2009

Report No 10C0018 TS:kl (01/02/10) Common No. 1520653

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0018 TS:kl entitled, Feedback Report Children's Week Event 2009, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council support national Children's Week on an annual basis and establish a \$10,000 budget allocation for the conduct of Children's Week activities across the Darwin municipality.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (8/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 February 2010

15 Neighbour Day 2010

Report No 10C0019 NM:kl (01/02/10) Common No. 1257089

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0019 NM:kl entitled, Neighbour Day 2010, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council participates in the annual conduct of Neighbour Day by establishing a 'Get to Know Your Neighbour' card project for distribution to all letterboxes in the Darwin municipality prior to Neighbour Day on Sunday 28 March 2010 subject to seeking engagement of other community groups.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

16 Invitation to Darwin City Council to Become Affiliated with the Northern Territory Companion Card Program

Report No 10C0020 NM:kl (01/02/10) Common No. 1695956

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0020 NM:kl entitled, Invitation to Darwin City Council to Become Affiliated with The Northern Territory Companion Card Program, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Darwin City Council accepts the invitation from the Director, Aged and Disability Program, NT Department of Health and Families, to become an affiliate of the Northern Territory Companion Card Scheme.
- C. THAT Darwin City Council's Fees and Charges Schedule be updated to reflect that entry to Council's Public Swimming Pools is free for a person accompanying the holder of a Companion Card, commencing 1 March 2010.
- D. THAT the text "*Companion Card Accepted Here*" be included on signage at Council's Public Swimming Pools.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (8/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 February 2010

17 Request to Increase In-Kind Community Development Support Capacity Report

Report No 10C0012 KH:es (01/02/10) Common No.1731987

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0012 KH:es entitled, Request to Increase In-Kind Community Development Support Capacity Report, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the expenditure of \$12,000 to increase the capacity of its in-kind support mechanisms through the purchase of associated equipment and conduct of skills workshops.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (8/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 February 2010

18 Request for Three Year Sponsorship Agreement for The Beat Foundation and Darwin Lions Beer Can Regatta Association Inc

Report No 10C0022 NM:kl (02/02/10) Common No.169771

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0022 NM:kl entitled, Request for Three Year Sponsorship Agreement for The Beat Foundation and Darwin Lions Beer Can Regatta Association Inc, be received and noted.
- B. THAT a three (3) year sponsorship of \$5,000 per year be offered to The Beat Foundation Inc for 'The Beat' event.
- C. THAT funding of \$5,000 for 'The Beat' 2010 event be referred to the 3rd quarter budget variation process.
- D. THAT funding of \$5,000 for 'The Beat' event be established for the period 2010/2011 and 2011/2012 and referred to the 2010/2011 budget deliberations.
- E. THAT a three (3) year sponsorship of \$5,000 per year be offered to The Darwin Lions Beer Can Regatta Association Inc for 'The Darwin Lions Beer Can Regatta' event.
- F. THAT funding of \$5,000 for 'The Darwin Lions Beer Can Regatta' 2010 event be referred to the 3rd quarter budget variation process.
- G. THAT funding of \$5,000 for 'The Darwin Lions Beer Can Regatta' event be established for the period of 2010/2011 and 2011/2012 and referred to the 2010/2011 budget deliberations.
- H. THAT Darwin City Council, pursuant to Section 32(2) of the Local Government Act 2008, hereby delegates to the Chief Executive Officer, the power to negotiate the terms of the sponsorship agreements with The Beat Foundation Inc and The Darwin Lions Beer Can Regatta Association Inc.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (8/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 February 2010

19 Community & Cultural Services Team Report – November, December 2009 and January 2010

Report No 10C0017 KH:es (03/02/10) Common No.1733166

THAT Report Number 10C0017 KH:es entitled, Community & Cultural Services Team Report – November, December 2009 and January 2010, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

20 Involvement of Darwin City Council in Golden Gurus Program

Report No 10C0023 NM:kl (03/02/10) Common No.1660483

A Procedural Motion will be required to take the item off the table to consider the report.

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0023 NM:kl entitled, Involvement of Darwin City Council in Golden Gurus Program, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council apply to the Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) to become a Member Organisation of the Golden Gurus program.
- C. THAT, if accepted as a Golden Gurus Member Organisation that Council allocate a part time program coordinator (EFT .5) for a 12 month trial period.
- D. THAT \$37,931 be allocated to resource and implement Council's participation in the Golden gurus program and that these costs be referred to the third quarter budget variation process.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (8/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 February 2010

21 Community Consultation - Installation of a Basketball Court at Malak Shopping Centre in Response to Petition Received from Neighbourhood Watch Malak

Report No 10C0016 CD:kl (03/02/10) Common No.1655059

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0016 CD:kl entitled, Community Consultation - Installation of a Basketball Court at Malak Shopping Centre in Response to Petition Received from Neighbourhood Watch NT, be received and noted.
- B. THAT a budget of \$14,692 is referred as a new initiative to 2010/2011 budget deliberations for the purchase of one Heavy-Duty Competition Basketball Tower (BB610-W50) and a Swing System (BB1022).

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (8/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 February 2010

22 Steve Abala Role Model Project – Resolution on Status of Project January 2010

Report No 10C0009 AR:kl (04/02/10) Common No.1378819

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0009 AR:kl entitled, Steve Abala Role Model Project – Update January 2010, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council advise Mr Ted Egan AO that funds donated to the Steve Abala Role Model Trust fund will be returned to sponsors and grant bodies, and that remaining Steve Abala Role Model books will be donated to Northern Territory libraries and schools.
- C. THAT Council return donated funds to sponsors and grant bodies advising that the proposed commission of a 1.5 times life size bronze statue of Steve Abala will not be proceeding.
- D. THAT remaining Steve Abala Role Model books be provided the winners of the NT Sports Awards and donated to libraries and schools in the Northern Territory.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (8/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 February 2010

23 Sister Cities Community Committee Minutes for Meetings Held in November 2009 and Sister Cities Calendar of Events January – March 2010

Report No 10C0021 KP:kl (03/02/10) Common No. 1733771

A Procedural Motion will be required to take the item off the table to consider the report.

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0021 KP:kl entitled, Sister Cities Community Committee Minutes for Meetings held in November 2009 & Calendar of Events January to March 2010, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the Ambon Sister City Community Committee express its disappointment to Council that the \$4800 carry forward from 2008/2009 were not allocated to the Ambon Sister City Community Committee budget despite the commitment of funds in Council's 2009/10 budget and request that Council reconsider this item with the view to re-allocating the \$4800 to the Ambon Sister City Community Committee.
- C. THAT the concept of an exchange between Anchorage and Darwin specifically in areas of Indigenous Health training be explored further and a project plan be developed for Council's consideration.
- D. THAT Council endorse the allocation of \$3,000 from the Dili Sister City Community Committee project budget for the purpose of facilitating and supporting internet connection and internet services for the young students at Hafoun Rai Timor Foundation (FHRT) Dili, Timor Leste in conjunction with YAG and GRIND participants.
- E. THAT the Sister Cities Garden design concept incorporate the existing trees and feature sculptures and plants from our Sister Cities (where possible) or plaques from each of Darwin's Sister Cities.
- F. THAT a Sister Cities Garden design concept be obtained from Cloustons based on the 330m² area of land outside the City Library in the courtyard opposite the "Tree of Knowledge" at the Civic Centre.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.2 CORPORATE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (15/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member K M Moir**

Recommendations from the Corporate & Economic Development Committee Meeting held on Monday, 15 February 2010

1 Corporate Services Monthly Report- November 2009 to January 2010
Report No. 10A0007 (05/02/10) Common No. 339108

THAT Report Number 10A0007 entitled, Corporate Services Monthly Report – November 2009 to January 2010, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

2 Listing of Cheques/ EFT Payments November 2009 and January2010
Report No. 10A0008 (05/02/10) Common No. 339125

THAT Report Number 10A0008, Listing of Cheques / EFT Payments November 2009 and January 2010, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

3 2nd Quarter Budget Review
Report No. 10A0005 (03/02/10) Common No. 978289

A. THAT Report Number 10A0005 entitled, 2nd Quarter Budget Review 2009/2010, be received and noted.

B. THAT **Attachments A, B, C & D** of Report Number 10A0005 entitled, 2nd Quarter Budget Review 2009/2010, be presented to Council for adoption.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.2 CORPORATE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (15/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member K M Moir**

Recommendations from the Corporate & Economic Development Committee Meeting held on Monday, 15 February 2010

4 Invitations Accepted or Declined by the Lord Mayor - January 2010

Report No. 10TC007 BD:fm (29/01/10) Common No. 381402

THAT Report Number 10TC007 entitled, Invitations Accepted or Declined by the Lord Mayor during December 2009, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

5 Minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held on 11 December 2009

Report No. 10A0003 (09/02/10) Common No. 353196

THAT Report Number 10A0003 entitled, Minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held on 11 December 2009, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

6 Monthly On-Street and Off-Street Parking Statistics November 2009

Report No. 09A0225 (07/12/09) Common No. 376351

THAT Report Number 09A0225 entitled, Monthly On-Street and Off-Street Parking Statistics November 2009, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.2 CORPORATE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (15/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member K M Moir**

Recommendations from the Corporate & Economic Development Committee Meeting held on Monday, 15 February 2010

7 Monthly On-Street and Off-Street Parking Statistics December 2009

Report No. 09A0226 (04/01/10) Common No. 376351

THAT Report Number 09A0226 entitled, Monthly On-Street and Off-Street Parking Statistics December 2009, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

8 Review of Investment Policy

Report No. 09A0215 (01/02/10) Common No. 1202990

- A. THAT Report Number 09A0215 entitled, Review of Investment Policy, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council's Investment Policy limits be amended as follows:

Counterparty	Minimum Percentage of Total Investments	Maximum Percentage of Total Investments
Major Banks	15.00%	100.00%
Regional Banks	15.00%	45.00%
Credit Unions/ Building Societies/Other ADI's	15.00%	45.00%

- C. THAT Council discontinue the government guarantee on non major bank investments.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.2 CORPORATE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (15/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member K M Moir**

Recommendations from the Corporate & Economic Development Committee Meeting held on Monday, 15 February 2010

9 Withdrawal of Council's Whistleblower Policy

Report No. 10A0004 (15/01/10) Common No. 1723187

- A. THAT Report Number 10A0004 entitled, Withdrawal of Council's Whistleblower Policy, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the Whistleblower Policy contained in Policy No. 167, be rescinded.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

10 Register of Elected Members Professional Development Activities and Lord Mayor Donations/ Grants from July to December

Report No. 10TC0002 BD:fm: (07/01/10) Common No. 315321

THAT Report Number 10TC002 entitled, Register of Elected Members Professional Development Activities and Lord Mayor Donations/ Grants from July to December 2009, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.2 CORPORATE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (15/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member K M Moir**

Recommendations from the Corporate & Economic Development Committee Meeting held on Monday, 15 February 2010

11 Petition to Permanently Open Walkway 102, Rosella Crescent to Vanderlin Drive, Wulagi

Report No. 10A0014 (28/01/10) Common No. 1646030

- A. THAT Report Number 10A0014 entitled, Petition to Permanently Open Walkway 102, Rosella Crescent to Vanderlin Drive, Wulagi, be received and noted.
- B. THAT officers review the assessment of the laneway as 'non-essential' with special attention to the proximity of the bus stop in Vanderlin drive and other services and report back to Council at its meeting on the 23 February 2010.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

12 Code of Practice for Council and Committee Meetings and Meeting Procedures Handbook

Report No. 10TC0013 BD:jp (02/02/10) Common No. 1612461

- A. THAT Report Number 10TC0013 entitled, Code of Practice for Council and Committee Meetings, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the Meeting Procedures Code of Practice for Council and Committee Meetings 2010 and the Meeting Procedures Handbook for Council and Committee Meetings 2010 contained in **Attachment A** and **Attachment B** to Report Number 10TC0013, be adopted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.3 ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE (15/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R K Elix**

Recommendations from the Environment & Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Monday, 15 February 2010

1 Climate Change and Environment Action Plan 2009-2012: Activities being undertaken in 2010

Report No. 10TS0012 PR (02/02/10) Common No. 1575688

- A. THAT Report Number 10TS0012 entitled, Climate Change and Environment Action Plan 2009-2012: Activities being undertaken in 2010, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the activities identified within Report Number 10TS0012 PR, be endorsed.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

2 CBD Parking Advisory Committee – Northern Territory Government Representative

Report No. 10TS0024 LC:kb (08/02/10) Common No. 428253

- A. THAT Report Number 10TS0024 entitled, CBD Parking Advisory Committee - Northern Territory Government Representatives, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorses the replacement of Mr Richard Hancock with Mr David Ritchie as the Northern Territory Government Department of Lands and Planning representative to the Darwin City Council CBD Parking Advisory Committee for a period of 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2011.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.3 ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE (15/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R K Elix**

Recommendations from the Environment & Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Monday, 15 February 2010

3 Tree Removal Request – 11 Gray Street, Jingili

Report No. 10TS0020 KS:nh (10/02/10) Common No. 1505381

- A. THAT Report Number 10TS0020 entitled, Tree Removal Request - 11 Gray Street, Jingili, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council advises Mr Bradley that the Peltophorum tree located in the road reserve outside 11 Gray Street, Jingili will not be removed.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

4 Cavenagh Street Roads to Recovery Project – Progress Report February 2010

Report No10TS0023 DL:pfl (05/02/10) Common No. 223527

- A. THAT Report Number 10TS0023 entitled, Cavenagh Street Roads to Recovery Project - Progress Report February 2010, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorses the Cavenagh Street road profiling and re-surfacing and or reconstruction project as a Roads to Recovery Program 2009 - 2014 project.
- C. THAT reports be present to Council relating to the Northern Territory Government's Public Transport Framework Study and Darwin City Council's Cavenagh Street Master Plan – Key Moves (2008) detailing their impact on Cavenagh Street and their implementation.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.3 ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE (15/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R K Elix**

Recommendations from the Environment & Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Monday, 15 February 2010

5 Capital Works Interim – December 2009

Report No. 10TS0021 SM:cd (04/02/10) Common No. 1541601

THAT Report Number 10TS0021 entitled, Capital Works Interim - December 2009, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

6 Nightcliff Foreshore and Cliffs Asbestos Materials Dumped Around the Time of World War II and Cyclone Tracy – Update

Report No. 10TS0003 MF:ks (04/02/10) Common No. 1457537

THAT Report Number 10TS0003 entitled, Nightcliff Foreshore And Cliffs Asbestos Materials Dumped Around the Time of World War II and Cyclone Tracy - Update, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.3 ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE (15/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R K Elix**

Recommendations from the Environment & Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Monday, 15 February 2010

7 Connecting Darwin: Building New Cycle Linkages Project – February 2010 Progress Report

Report No. 10TS0001 DL:pfl (03/02/10) Common No. 1110707

- A. THAT Report Number 10TS0001 entitled, Connecting Darwin: Building New Cycle Linkages Project – February 2010, Progress Report, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the public consultation process for the Connecting Darwin: Building new cycle linkages project as outlined in Report Number 10TS0001 DL:pfl.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

8 Woolner Road Upgrade

Report No. 10TS0009 DL:pfl (21/01/10) Common No. 497836

THAT Report Number 10TS0009 entitled, Woolner Road Upgrade, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.3 ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE (15/02/10)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R K Elix**

Recommendations from the Environment & Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Monday, 15 February 2010

9 Darwin MY0800 City Revitalisation – Updated February 2010
Report No. 10TS0019 DL:pfl (29/01/10) Common No. 1486204

THAT Report Number 10TS0019 DL:pfl entitled, Darwin MY0800 City Revitalisation – Updated February 2010, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

10 Waste and Recycling October – December 2009 Quarterly Report
Report No. 10TS0018 SI:kb (21/01/10) Common No. 1738353

THAT Report Number 10TS0018 SI:kb entitled, Waste and Recycling October – December 2009, Quarterly Report, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

15 OFFICERS REPORTS

15.1 By-Election Chan Ward 2010

Report No. 10TC0015 BD:jp (17/02/09) Common No. 1741730

Report Number 10TC0015 BD:jp attached

ENCL: NO

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 17/02/10

REPORTTO: 2ND ORDINARY COUNCIL/OPEN

APPROVED: BD

FROM: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

REPORT NO: 10TC0015 BD:jp

COMMON NO: 1741730

SUBJECT: BY-ELECTION CHAN WARD 2010

ITEM NO: 15.1**SYNOPSIS:**

The report recommends the appointment of the Northern Territory Electoral Commissioner (or his nominee) as the Returning Officer to conduct the forthcoming By-Election in Chan Ward.

GENERAL:

The Local Government Act provides that, *'if a casual vacancy occurs in the membership of a council more than 12 months before the end of the member's term, a by-election is to be held to fill the vacancy'*.

As the term of the late Alderman GM Jarvis would have expired in March 2012 (the time of the next periodic election) a by-election must be held.

Darwin City Council elections have normally been conducted by the NT Electoral Commission and this Report proposes the appointment of the Commissioner or his nominee as the Returning Officer to run the forthcoming by-election.

The legislation provides for the Returning Officer to determine the date of the by-election and to appoint polling places and other electoral staff.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

In the event that there is more than one nominee an election will be held and the total cost from the NT Electoral Commission is expected to be in the vicinity of \$50,000 including GST. The cost of the By-election can be funded from the Election Reserve which currently has a balance of \$127,465.

PAGE: 2
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0015 BD:jp
 SUBJECT: BY-ELECTION CHAN WARD 2010

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies of the Darwin City Council 2008 – 2012 as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Strategic Directions: Towards 2020 and Beyond':-

Goal 7 Demonstrate Effective, Open and Responsible Governance

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Local Government Act - Part 8 Elections and Polls

85 Periodic general elections

- (1) Periodic general elections are to be held at intervals of 4 years commencing in March 2012.

86 By-elections

- (1) If a casual vacancy occurs in the membership of a council more than 12 months before the end of the member's term, a by-election is to be held to fill the vacancy.
- (2) If the member whose seat has become vacant represented a ward, the by-election is confined to the ward.
- (3) A by-election is to be held on a date fixed by the returning officer for the relevant area.
- (4) The date must fall within 3 months after the returning officer receives notice of a casual vacancy in the membership of the council for which a by-election is required.

Local Government (Electoral) Regulations

64 Appointment of returning officer

A council may appoint a returning officer at any time and must ensure that the council has appointed a returning officer by 1 July of the calendar year preceding the calendar year in which the next general election is to be held.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

PAGE: 3
REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0015 BD:jp
SUBJECT: BY-ELECTION CHAN WARD 2010

PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

This is a positive opportunity to engage with the community to encourage participation.

COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

DELEGATION:

Nil

CONSULTATION:

Nil

PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:

Nil

APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE

Nil

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. THAT Report Number 10TC0015 BD:jp entitled, By-Election Chan Ward 2010, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council appoint the Electoral Commissioner of the Northern Territory Electoral Commission as the Returning Officer to run the forthcoming By-election in the Chan Ward.

BRENDAN DOWD
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Any queries on this report may be directed to Brendan Dowd on 89300505
b.dowd@darwin.nt.gov.au

15.2 Committee Replacements for the late Alderman Greg Jarvis
Report No.10TC0016 BD:JP (18/02/10) Common No. 1741730

Report Number 10TC0016 BD:JP attached

ENCL: NO

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL
REPORT

DATE: 18/02/10

TO: 2ND ORDINARY COUNCIL/OPEN

APPROVED: BD

FROM: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

REPORT NO: 10TC0016 BD:JP

COMMON NO: 1741730

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE REPLACEMENTS FOR THE LATE ALDERMAN GREG JARVIS

ITEM NO: 15.2**SYNOPSIS:**

The late Alderman Greg Jarvis was a member of five committees. Notwithstanding that nominations will shortly be called for the vacancy in the Chan Ward, Council will need to consider providing a replacement on those committees.

GENERAL:

The late Alderman Greg Jarvis was a member of the following committees:

- Community and Cultural Services Committee;
- Ambon Sister Cities Community Committee;
- Dili Sister City Community Committee;
- Festival of Darwin Committee;
- Town Planning Committee.

The term of appointment to each of the above committees was until 30 June 2010.

In addition to those committees, the late Alderman Greg Jarvis was Council's nominee to LGANT for the LGANT position on the NT Weeds Advisory Council. LGANT are currently calling for nominations for this position.

It is recommended that Council appoint another member to all of these committees with the exception of the Town Planning Committee. The Town Planning Committee is a "committee of the whole" and when a replacement Chan Ward Alderman is appointed they will become a member of this committee.

Subject to the interests of the replacement Chan Ward Alderman, Council may wish to further consider appointments to committees.

PAGE: 2
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0016 BD:JP
 SUBJECT: COMMITTEE REPLACEMENTS FOR THE LATE ALDERMAN GREG JARVIS

That said, based on current timing, if more than one nomination is received, a By-Election will be required and a replacement is unlikely to be in office until the end of April. As part of Council Policy 57 "Committees - Election and Composition", appointments to committees will be considered by Council in June and will be effective as of 1 July 2010.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil in relation to committee replacements.

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies of the Darwin City Council 2008 – 2012 as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Strategic Directions: Towards 2020 and Beyond':-

Goal

7 Demonstrate Effective, Open and Responsible Governance

Outcome

7.2 Display strong and effective leadership, within Council and across Government

Key Strategies

7.2.1 Display contemporary leadership and management practices within Council

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

In relation to committees, Council must comply with Part 5.2 of the Local Government Act.

Part 5.2 Council Committees

54 Council committees

- (1) A council may establish council committees.
- (2) A council committee consists of the persons appointed by the council to be members of the committee.

PAGE: 3
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0016 BD:JP
 SUBJECT: COMMITTEE REPLACEMENTS FOR THE LATE ALDERMAN GREG JARVIS

- (3) The members of a council committee may consist of, or include, persons who are not members of the council.

Note

A member of the council's staff is eligible for appointment as a member of a council committee (even though staff members may be disqualified from membership of the council itself).

- (4) The terms and conditions on which a person holds office as a member of a council committee are to be as determined by the council.
- (5) The council may abolish a council committee.

55 Nature of committee's functions

- (1) A council committee has the functions assigned to the committee by the council.
- (2) The assigned functions may be of an executive or advisory nature.
- (3) An executive committee carries out, on behalf of the council, functions delegated to it by the council.

56 Control and direction by the council

A council committee is subject to control and direction by the council.

57 Procedure

Subject to any direction by the council, a council committee may determine its own procedures.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

Positive – Council is continuing to demonstrate strong governance, accountability and transparency.

COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

PAGE: 4
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0016 BD:JP
 SUBJECT: COMMITTEE REPLACEMENTS FOR THE LATE ALDERMAN GREG JARVIS

DELEGATION:

Nil – no delegation exists to appoint replacements.

CONSULTATION:

Nil.

PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:

Nil.

APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE

Nil.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. THAT Report Number 10TC0016 BD:JP entitled Committee Replacements for the Late Alderman Greg Jarvis, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council appoint, until 30 June 2010:
 - (i) Alderman to the Community and Cultural Services Committee;
 - (ii) Alderman to the Ambon Sister Cities Committee;
 - (iii) Alderman to the Dili Sister Cities Committee; and
 - (iv) Alderman to the Festival of Darwin Committee.

BRENDAN DOWD
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Any queries on this report may be directed to Brendan Dowd on 89 300505 or
 b.dowd@darwin.nt.gov.au

15.3 Policy Manual

Report No.10TC0017 BD:jp (18/02/10) Common No. 1612461

Report Number 10TC0017 BD:JP attached

ENCL: NO

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL
REPORT

DATE: 18/02/10

TO: 2nd ORDINARY COUNCIL/OPEN

APPROVED: BD

FROM: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

REPORT NO: 10TC0017 BD:jp

COMMON NO: 1612461

SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

ITEM NO: 15.3

SYNOPSIS:

The Council has some 300 discrete policies. These were last reviewed in 2007 prior to the introduction of a new Local Government Act and the election of the current Council. The Policies have now been reviewed as proposed in Report 09TC0074 and reformatted into the new template adopted by Council on 24/11/2009 (Decision No. 20\2298). A copy of the Draft Policy Manual was tabled at the Council Meeting on 27/01/2010 and is now recommended for adoption.

13.1 Policy and Procedures Framework

Report No. 09TC0074 BD:jp (18/11/09) Common No. 1612461

- A. THAT Report Number 09TC0074 entitled, Policy and Procedures Framework, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the Policy and Procedures Framework contained in **Attachment A** to Report Number 09TC0074 entitled, Policy and Procedures Framework be adopted as Council Policy.
- C. THAT the existing Policies and Procedures Framework Policy, Policy No.256, be rescinded.
- D. THAT the updating of compliance and governance policies be undertaken as a matter of priority.

DECISION NO.20\2298 (24/11/09)

Carried

PAGE: 2
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0017 BD:jp
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

As Council was advised in a report submitted to the meeting on 27/01/2010 (Report 10TC0003) the updated, consolidated policies have been reviewed by the Chief Officer's Group. The Policies were tabled at the meeting on 27/01/2010 and it was recommended that they be considered and adopted by Council at its meeting on 23rd February 2010.

13.3 Policy Manual

Report No. 10TC0003 (20/01/10) Common No. 1612461

(Bailey/Lesley)

- A. THAT Report Number 10TC0003 entitled, Policy Manual, be received and noted.
- B THAT the Draft Policy Manual tabled at the meeting be submitted to the Ordinary Council Meeting on 23 February 2010 for consideration.

DECISION NO.20\2377) (27/01/10)

Carried

GENERAL:

Background

A new Policies and Procedures Framework was adopted by the Council at its meeting on 24/11/2009 (Decision No. 20\2298) and the accompanying report to Council proposed that a review of current Council adopted policies be undertaken in order to address and improve accessibility for the public, Elected Members and staff and to remove any inconsistencies, redundancies and obsolete legislative references. It is considered particularly important that Council's governance related policies be updated and made compliant with legislative changes.

Update

The review is now complete and the revised policies are submitted to Council for consideration and adoption.

For ease of reference, the policies have been incorporated into a manual with broad subject headings and an index. This should make the policies more accessible to all stakeholders.

Minor policies have been aggregated into more comprehensive policy statements for the same reason. This framework will make it easier for the Elected Members to develop new and more comprehensive policies in a range of areas through the normal decision making processes of Council.

The following principles were adhered to in the review process:

PAGE: 3
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0017 BD:jp
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

-
- The Policies have been reformatted into the new template. With some policies, sections of the template dealing with 'implementation' and 'review and evaluation' have been left blank as the original policy statement did not address these elements. These sections will be addressed when the policies are next reviewed.
 - Legislative references have been updated and policies amended to reflect any new mandated requirements.
 - Terminology has been updated, for example, reflecting new departmental names and position titles.
 - Obsolete or otherwise redundant material has been omitted e.g. reference to past events and outdated fees and charges.
 - Minor editing and formatting changes have been made in an attempt to clarify the intent and improve 'readability'. It has not been possible to fully standardise the visual presentation because of the diverse nature of the original documents.
 - Where inconsistency between policies existed this will has been resolved in favour of the most recently adopted or amended policy. Where inconsistency between 'administrative' procedures included in the policy and current practice existed, this has been resolved in favour of the current practice. For minor administrative matters some of the procedures within the policy have been expressed in more general terms to avoid this problem in future, however where it is clear that the Council would wish to retain a robust procedural directive to its administration (e.g. in policies governing the sale or acquisition of land) this has been retained. In a few instances, where very detailed procedures existed which properly belong with the administration e.g. OH&S requirements, these have been removed and they will be added to the Policy and Procedure data base forthwith.
 - **Where some policies relate to gazetted documents or other documents of similar status (e.g. Advertising Signs Code and Developer Contributions) these have simply been appended to a short covering 'policy' statement without amendment and, for legal reasons relating to enforceability, the rescission of these policies is not proposed. (Refers to existing Policies 34,114,236,349-355 and 358).**

The following table contains a list of current policies and briefly outlines what is intended in relation to each of these.

In particular the Council's attention is drawn to:

PAGE: 4
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0017 BD:jp
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

- The Governance Framework Policy (Number 167) incorporated a Whistleblower Policy. Adoption of this policy preceded the recent enactment of the Public Interest Disclosure Act and it is proposed to rescind this policy to avoid any actual or perceived conflict with the processes prescribed in the new legislation.
- Code of Conduct for Elected Members. The Local Government Act requires that Council have a Code of Conduct and Council uses the Code of Conduct contained in Schedule 2. The provisions of Schedule 2 have been added as a new policy to the 'Governance' chapter of the manual for completeness.
- Part 9 of the Local Government Act provides that Human Resource Management is a function of the CEO. Part 9 requires the development of Human Resource Management policies based on the principles of:
 - Fair, equitable and merit based selection and promotion
 - Training and development
 - Fair treatment and grievance procedures
 - Workplace health and safety
 - Non discrimination.

The CEO is required to maintain an up-to-date statement of the Council's employment policies which is consistent with the above principles.

The Council has a comprehensive suite of Human Resource Management policies only a few of which had specifically been adopted by the Council.

As the Act makes Human Resource Management a function of the CEO it is proposed to rescind all Council adopted policies relating to this topic and these will then be adopted by the Chief Officer's Group as 'Corporate' Policies in accord with the Policy Framework previously adopted by Council.

- The goals and strategies of the Darwin Five Year Arts Plan have been included and form part of the proposed new Arts and Cultural Development Policy (Number 007).
- The Animal Management Plan has been included and forms part of the proposed new Animal Management Policy (Number 001).

Note:

The Meeting Procedure Policy as tabled at the meeting on January 27 2010 has been amended to reflect policy changes adopted by Council at that meeting in relation to the Order of Business at Council meetings and removal of Wednesday as the 'preferred' night for holding Special meetings. (Report 10TC0004 refers).

PAGE: 5
REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0017 BD:jp
SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

The following table provides a summary of other more detailed changes that are recommended.

PAGE: 6
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0003
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

Policy Title	Old Policy Number	Recommended Treatment
Aboriginal Reconciliation	1	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading 'Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander' and delete obsolete reference to Aboriginal Consultative Committee and other redundant material
Acceptance Of Gifts And Benefits - Staff	2	Redundant. All HR policies have been reviewed and it is proposed that the revised policies be adopted by COG.
Accepting Contaminated Waste Materials At Shoal Bay Waste Disposal Site	3	Move to new 'Waste Management' Policy under the heading 'Contaminated Waste - Shoal Bay'
Access Provisions - New Subdivisions	6	Redundant. Sub-Division Guidelines deal comprehensively with access requirements.
AIDS In The Workplace	9	Redundant. All HR policies have been reviewed and it is proposed that the revised policies be adopted by COG.
Alfresco Dining	11	Move to new 'Outdoor Dining' Policy and incorporate reference to conformity with the Central Darwin Streetscape Strategy in criteria for determining alfresco area applications and reformat to new template. (Council Property)
Allocation Of Corporate Administrative Costs	12	Redundant. The Policy was required under the Accounting Code which no longer exists. Recommend rescinding.
Appeals - Natural Disasters	16	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading 'Appeals - Natural Disaster'
Art In Public Places	17	Redundant. The Policy was replaced by Policy 165 Gifts of Artwork in Public Places'.
Arts And Cultural Development	18	Move to new 'Arts and Cultural Development' Policy
Awnings, Balconies And Verandahs On Council Property	20	Reformatted to new template. (Land Use Planning and Development Control).
Backpacker Hostel Accommodation	21	Reformatted to new template. (Land Use Planning and Development Control).
Banners	23	Redundant
Bed And Breakfast	25	Reformatted to new template. (Land Use Planning and Development Control).
Building Over Drainage Easements – Conditions	27	Move to new 'Land Use Planning General' Policy under the heading 'Building Over Drainage Easements'
Busking In The Mall	31	Moved to new 'Council Property - General' Policy under the heading 'The Mall' and obsolete and redundant material omitted.
Car Park Hire	32	Moved to new 'Car Parking - General' under the heading 'Parking Agreement - Periodic Hire'.
Car Parking Contribution Plan	34	Moved to new 'Car Parking Contribution Plan - Non CBD'.
Car Parking Regulations Exemptions	42	Moved to new 'Car Parking - General' under the heading 'Car Parking Levy - Exemptions'.
Car parking Waivers - Guidelines For Time Payment	43	Moved to new 'Car Parking - General' under the heading 'Car Parking Contributions - Guidelines for Time Payment'.
Cemeteries Maintenance	45	Redundant. Covered by other existing policy.
Cemeteries - Provision And Control	46	Policy extracted and moved to 'Cemetery' Policy under the headings 'Islamic Society' and 'Closed Cemeteries'.
Disbursements From Bank Accounts	48	Moved to new 'Finance - General' Policy under the heading 'Disbursements'.
Child Abuse – Reporting	49	Legislation has changed and policy is now redundant
Child Care Centres	51	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading 'Child Care Centres'.

PAGE: 7
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0017 BD:jp
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

Civic Functions	53	Move to new 'Supplementary Governance' policy under the heading 'Civic Hospitality Role'
Commission Paid To Funeral Directors	56	Policy extracted and moved to 'Cemetery' Policy under the heading 'Commission to Funeral Directors'.
Committees - Election And Composition	57	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Committee Meetings'
Committee Meetings - Interested Persons	59	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Committee Meetings'
Committee Meetings – Status Of Motions	60	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Committee Meetings'
Committee Meetings - Substitute Members	61	Redundant
Committee Meetings - Attendance Of Observers	62	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Committee Meetings'
Committees - Terms Of Reference	63	Redundant has been replaced.
Community Centres Advisory Committee	64	Redundant
Community Consultation	65	Reformatted to new template and outdated costings deleted.
Community Grants Applications	66	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading 'Community Grants program'.
Community Halls - Conditions Of Use	67	Consolidate into new 'Recreation, Parks and Reserves ' Policy under the heading 'Community Halls'
Complaints - Discrimination And Industrial Relations	70	Consolidate into new 'Complaints Handling and Review of Decisions Policy'.
Complaints – General	71	Consolidate into new 'Complaints Handling and Review of Decisions Policy'.
Conditions for Amphitheatre Events	72	Consolidate into new 'Recreation, Parks and Reserves ' Policy under the heading 'Amphitheatre'
Container Deposit Legislation	75	Move to new 'Environment General Policy' under the heading 'Container Deposit Legislation'.
Contract Staff Remuneration	76	Redundant. All HR policies have been reviewed and it is proposed that the revised policies be adopted by COG.
Corporate/Action Plan	80	Moved to the new 'Governance General' Policy under the heading 'Corporate/Action Plan'
Council Advisory Committees - Disabled Persons Attendance	81	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Advisory Committee Meetings'
Council And Committee Meetings - Confidential Business Papers	82	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Meeting Procedures General'
Council And Committee Meetings – Scheduling	83	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Meeting Procedures General'
Council And Committee Meetings - Business Papers	84	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the appropriate headings
Council Meetings – Apologies and Leave of Absence	87	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Council Meetings'
Council Meetings - General Business	88	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Council Meetings'
Council Meetings - Late Reports	89	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Council Meetings'
Council Meetings - Matters Of Public Importance	90	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Council Meetings'
Council Meetings - Meal Break	91	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Council Meetings'
Council Meetings - Order Of Business And Procedures	92	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Council Meetings'

PAGE: 8
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0017 BD:jp
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

Council Meetings - Recording Of Voting	93	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Council Meetings'
Council Meetings - Rescission Motions	94	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Council Meetings'
Council Open Business Papers - Availability	96	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Council Meetings'
Council Ordinary Meeting Cycle	97	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Meeting Procedures General'
Council Vehicles - Use By Elected Members	98	Redundant. Deleted.
Council's Symbols	99	Moved to the new 'Governance General' Policy under the headings of 'Coat of Arms', 'Logo' and 'Flags'.
Darwin CBD Traffic And Car parking Strategy	101	Redundant. Replaced by later policy no. 358.
Darwin City Council Funding Submissions – Sponsorship	102	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading ' Sponsorship', combined with other related policy and duplicated text removed'.
Darwin Performing Arts Centre (DPAC)	103	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading 'Darwin Performing Arts Centre'
Darwin Public Libraries Inter Library Loans	104	Consolidate into new 'Public Library service' Policy
Darwin Public Libraries Internet Access	105	Consolidate into new 'Public Library service' Policy
Deductible Gift Recipient	108	Consolidate into new 'Public Library service' Policy
Delegations & Presentations to Council and Committee	110	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Meeting Procedures General'
Deputy Lord Mayor – Election	111	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Council Meetings'
Deputy Lord Mayor – Role	112	Moved to new ' Deputy Lord Mayor' Policy.
Developer Contributions Plan for Roadworks CP2003/01A – Stuart Park	113	Consolidated into a new Policy called 'Developer Contribution Plans'.
Developer Contributions Plan for Stormwater Drainage CP2003/01B Stuart Park	114	Consolidated into a new Policy called 'Developer Contribution Plans'.
Disability Action Plan	116	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading 'Disability'.
Disabled Persons Parking Concession Scheme	118	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading 'Disability'.
Disabled Persons Parking In Private Car Parks	119	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading 'Disability'.
Displays, Exhibitions and Display of Community Notices	120	Consolidate into new 'Public Library Service' Policy
Dog Exercise Areas	121	Consolidate into new 'Animal Management' By-law under the heading "dogs".
Dog Registration Fees	122	Consolidate into new 'Animal Management' By-law under the heading "dogs".
Dog Restriction Areas	124	Consolidate into new 'Animal Management' By-law under the heading "dogs".
Dogs – Dangerous	125	Consolidate into new 'Animal Management' Policy. Prescribed Dogs procedure deleted reflecting new By-law requirements.

PAGE: 9
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0017 BD:jp
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

Dogs - Licences To Keep More Than Two	126	Consolidate into new 'Animal Management' By-law under the heading "dogs".
Donations - Eligibility Criteria	127	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading 'Community Grants program'.
Donation Of Memorial Park Seats And Trees	128	Consolidate into new 'Recreation, Parks and Reserves ' Policy under the heading 'Memorial Seats and Trees'.
Donation Of Obsolete Playground Equipment	129	Consolidate into new 'Recreation, Parks and Reserves ' Policy under the heading 'Playgrounds and Play Equipment'
Waiver of Fees on Recreation Facilities	130	Consolidate into new 'Recreation, Parks and Reserves ' Policy under the heading 'Fees - Waiver'
Donations – Community Grants Program	131	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading 'Community Grants program'.
Drainage And Mosquito Control	132	Move to new 'Environment General Policy' under the heading 'Drainage - Mosquito Control'.
Driveways	133	Moved to new 'Roads - miscellaneous' under the heading 'Driveways'.
Eating Places Outside In Parkland And Reserves	136	Move to new "Outdoor Dining' Policy. (Council Property)
Elected Members Indemnity - External Boards	138	Moved to new 'Elected Member' Policy under the heading 'Indemnity'.
Elected Members Invitations To Public Meetings	139	Moved to new 'Elected Member' Policy under the heading 'Invitations to Public Meetings'.
Elected Members – Protection	140	Moved to new 'Elected Member' Policy under the heading 'Protection - Legal proceedings'.
Elected Members - Responsibility For Rates And Charges	141	Moved to new 'Elected Member' Policy under the heading "Responsibility for Rates and Charges'.
Elected Members - Use Of Resources	142	Moved to new 'Elected Member' Policy under the heading 'Use of Resources'.
Employment Contracts	143	Redundant. All HR policies have been reviewed and it is proposed that the revised policies be adopted by COG.
Entry Statements for Subdivisions	144	Move to new 'Land Use - General' Policy under the heading 'Sub-Division - Entry Statements'.
Sister Cities - Establishment And Assessment Of New Relationships	148	Move to new 'Sister Cities Policy' and reformat to new template
Exempt Areas	149	Redundant. Superseded by Darwin Public Restricted Areas legislation.
Fees and Charges	150	Reformatted (Finance)
Fencing Contributions By Council	151	Moved to new 'Council Property - General' Policy under the heading 'Fencing Contributions by Council'.
Food Stalls – Mobile	153	Moved to new 'Council Property - General' Policy under the heading 'Mobile Food Stalls'.
Footpath Construction and Reconstruction	154	Reformatted and moved to new 'Footpath' Policy
Footpath Dining Permits	155	Move to new "Outdoor Dining' Policy. (Council Property)
Footpaths Maintenance	157	Reformatted and moved to new 'Footpath' Policy
Freeman Of The City	158	Moved to the new 'Governance General' Policy under the heading 'Freeman of the City'
Fun Bus	159	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading 'Fun Bus'.
Garbage Rates Exemption	163	Move to 'Waste Bin' Policy and reformat to new template.
Gifts of Artwork in Public Places	165	Move to new 'Arts and Cultural Development' Policy
Gifts To Lord Mayor And Council	166	Rescinded 24/11/09

PAGE: 10
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0017 BD:jp
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

Governance Framework – Road Map to Governance	167	Reformat into new template and create 2 discrete policies addressing Business Ethics and Complaints Handling. Note that the 'Whistleblower policy is now redundant and is to be rescinded given passage of the Public Interest Disclosure Act.
Handbills/Posters Distribution	169	Moved to new 'Regulatory - Miscellaneous' Policy under the heading 'Handbills/Posters'.
Handbills/Posters Permits	170	Moved to new 'Regulatory - Miscellaneous' Policy under the heading 'Loading Zone Permits'
Heritage	173	Move to new 'Land Use - General' Policy under the heading 'Heritage'.
Housing	174	Redundant
Human Services Facilitation Role	176	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading 'Role'.
Impounding Extension	177	Consolidate into new 'Animal Management' By-law under the heading "dogs".
Information Act - Privacy	180	Reformatted into new template and entitled 'Privacy Policy'.
Elected Members - Information Technology Support	182	Moved to new 'Elected Member' Policy under the heading 'Information Technology Support'
Itinerants	183	Redundant
Lake Alexander - Management Plan	184	Reformat to new template; delete material covered by Council's general conditions of facility hire and obsolete references to the consumption of alcohol.
Land Acquisition	185	Moved to new 'Land Acquisition and Leasing' Policy under the heading 'Land Acquisition'.
Land Disposal	186	Moved to new 'Land Acquisition and Leasing' Policy under the heading 'Land Disposal'.
Leases To Non Profit Sporting and Community Organisations	188	Redundant. Propose delete.
Legislative Amendments	190	Moved to the new 'Governance General' Policy under the heading LGANT
LGANT Delegates – Exercise Of Council Vote	191	Moved to the new 'Governance General' Policy under the heading LGANT
LGANT Meetings – Attendance	192	Moved to the new 'Governance General' Policy under the heading LGANT
Libraries – Children's Services	193	Consolidate into new 'Public Library Service' Policy
Libraries - Freedom To Read Statement	194	Consolidate into new 'Public Library Service' Policy
Libraries Permanent and Temporary Membership	195	Consolidate into new 'Public Library Service' Policy
Libraries - Reference And Information Service	196	Consolidate into new 'Public Library Service' Policy
Libraries – Revised Collection Development	197	Consolidate into new 'Public Library Service' Policy
Library Funding	198	Consolidate into new 'Public Library Service' Policy
Library Service	199	Consolidate into new 'Public Library Service' Policy
Licences, Permits, Etc - Public Interest	200	Moved to the new 'Governance General' Policy under the heading 'Licences and permits'
Liquor Licences	201	Move to new 'Land Use - General' Policy under the heading 'Liquor Licences'.
Loading Zone Permits	203	Moved to new 'Regulatory - Miscellaneous' Policy under the heading 'Handbills/Posters'.
Long Service Awards – Darwin City Council Staff	204	Redundant. All HR policies have been reviewed and it is proposed that the revised policies be adopted by COG.

PAGE: 11
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0017 BD:jp
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

Lord Mayor's Community Committees	205	Moved to new 'Deputy Lord Mayor' Policy.
Lord Mayoral/Partners Travel	206	Moved to new 'Lord Mayor' Policy.
Lord Mayoral Alternate	207	Moved to new 'Lord Mayor' Policy.
Lord Mayoral Functions and Community Involvement	209	Moved to new 'Lord Mayor' Policy.
Mall Displays, Promotions Etc.	211	Moved to new 'Council Property - General' Policy under the heading 'The Mall' and obsolete and redundant material omitted.
Mall Traders Permits To Trade In Mall	212	Moved to new 'Council Property - General' Policy under the heading 'The Mall' and obsolete and redundant material omitted.
Mall - Vehicular Access	213	Moved to new 'Council Property - General' Policy under the heading 'The Mall' and obsolete and redundant material omitted.
Management And Advisory Committees - Substitute Members	214	Moved to new 'Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Advisory Committee Meetings'
Contract Staff – Terms of Contract	215	Redundant. All HR policies have been reviewed and it is proposed that the revised policies be adopted by COG.
Marina Developments – Implications For Council	216	Now redundant.
Markets And Late Night Trading	218	Moved to new 'Council Property - General' Policy under the heading 'The Mall' and obsolete and redundant material omitted.
Media	219	Combined with other 'Media' policies under the policy heading 'Media'.
Media Releases	220	Combined with other 'Media' policies under the policy heading 'Media'.
Members of the Legislative Assembly	221	Moved to the new 'Governance General' Policy under the heading 'Inter-governmental relations'.
Mindil Beach Carnival Area	222	Consolidate into new 'Recreation, Parks and Reserves ' Policy under the heading 'Mindil Beach Carnival Area'.
Mobile Phones - Use During Meetings	223	Moved to new 'Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Meeting Procedures General'
Monuments	224	Moved to new 'Council Property - General' Policy under the heading 'Monuments'.
National Packaging Covenant (NPC)	225	Move to new 'Environment General Policy' under the heading 'National Packaging Covenant'
Native Title	226	Moved to new 'Council Property - General' Policy under the heading 'Native Title'.
Northern Territory Government Banner Sites	229	Now redundant.
Old Leanyer Dump Site - Transfer Of Title	231	Move to new 'Land Use - General' Policy under the heading 'Lot 7003 Old Leanyer Dump Site'
Ombudsman Complaints	232	Consolidate into new 'Complaints Handling and Review of Decisions Policy'.
Open Forums	233	Moved to new 'Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Meeting Procedures General'
Open Space Areas Takeover	235	Moved to new 'Land Acquisition and Leasing' Policy under the heading 'Open Space Areas Takeover'
Outdoor Advertising Signs Code	236	Existing Code attached to new policy template "Outdoor Advertising Signs Code'.

PAGE: 12
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0017 BD:jp
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

Ovals	237	Consolidate into new 'Recreation, Parks and Reserves ' Policy under the heading 'Ovals'
Over Width Loads	238	Moved to new 'Roads - Miscellaneous' under the heading 'Over width roads'.
Parking Permits For Service Vehicles	239	Moved to new 'Regulatory - Miscellaneous' Policy under the headings 'Parking Permits for Service Vehicles'
Parking Permits	240	Moved to new 'Regulatory - Miscellaneous' Policy under the headings 'Parking Permits'
Parking Schemes Within Road Reserves	241	Moved to new 'Car Parking - General' under the heading 'Parking Schemes within Road Reserves'.
Parks Development - Assistance To Service Clubs	242	Consolidate into new 'Recreation, Parks and Reserves ' Policy under the heading ' Assistance to Service Clubs'.
Permitted Vehicle Parking Permits	245	Redundant. Duplicates policy 239.
Personnel Records	246	Redundant. All HR policies have been reviewed and it is proposed that the revised policies be adopted by COG.
Pets In Drains	247	Moved to new 'Animal management By-law' under the heading 'Pets in Drains'
Place Names	248	Move to new 'Land Use - General' Policy under the heading 'Place Names'.
Plant Hire	250	Moved to new 'Plant and Equipment' Policy.
Plant Replacement Reserve	252	Moved to new 'Plant and Equipment' Policy.
Plant	253	Redundant.Delete. New policy adopted on 27/01/2004
Playground Equipment Replacement	254	Redundant.
Playground Strategy	255	Redundant.
Policies and Procedures Framework	256	Redundant. Delete. New Policy adopted on 24/11/2009
Pre-Council Election Protocols	257	Combined with other 'Media' policies under the policy heading 'Media'.
Private Swimming Pool Fencing	258	Now redundant.
Proclaiming The City In The Name Of Community Values	259	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading "Proclaiming the City in the name of Community Values'.
Public Displays By Council	260	Now redundant.
Public Meetings In The Central Business District	261	Moved to new 'Council Property - General' Policy under the heading 'Public Meetings in the CBD'.
Public Places Activities	262	Moved to new 'Council Property - General' Policy under the heading 'Public Places Activities'.
Public Question Time	263	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Council Meetings'
Raintree Park Permits	266	Consolidate into new 'Recreation, Parks and Reserves ' Policy under the heading 'Raintree Park Permits'
Rates Deferments	267	Moved to new 'Finance - General' Policy under the heading 'Rates'.
Rates Waiver For Community Organisations	268	Moved to new 'Finance - General' Policy under the heading 'Rates'.
Rates Waiver For Youth Organisations	269	Moved to new 'Finance - General' Policy under the heading 'Rates'.
Recovery Of Salary And Wage On Costs	270	Now Redundant. Was a requirement of the LG Accounting Code which no longer applies.
Reports On Attending Conferences/Seminars	273	Redundant. All HR policies have been reviewed and it is proposed that the revised policies be adopted by COG.
Requests For Reports	274	Moved to new 'Elected Member' Policy under the heading 'Requests for reports'.

PAGE: 13
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0017 BD:jp
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

Funding Reserves	275	Moved to new 'Finance - General' Policy under the heading 'Funding Reserves'
Road Closures	276	Moved to new 'Roads - miscellaneous' under the heading 'Road Closures'.
Road Standards	277	Moved to new 'Roads - Miscellaneous' under the heading 'Road Standards'.
Sale of Property Database Information	279	Moved to new 'Finance - General' Policy under the heading 'Sale of Property database information'.
Sale of Public Land	280	Moved to new 'Land Acquisition and Leasing' Policy under the heading 'Land Disposal'.
School - Support By Council	282	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading 'Schools'.
School Visits To Council	283	Moved to new 'Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Meeting Procedures General'
Sexual Harassment	284	Redundant. All HR policies have been reviewed and it is proposed that the revised policies be adopted by COG.
Shade Structure at Council's Playground - Height	285	Consolidate into new 'Recreation, Parks and Reserves' Policy under the heading 'Playgrounds and Play Equipment'
Sister City Agreements	287	Move to new 'Sister Cities Policy' and reformat to new template and delete references to Sister Cities Management Committee
Sister City Community Committee Projects Funding	288	Move to new 'Sister Cities Policy' and reformat to new template and delete references to Sister Cities Management Committee
Sister City Delegations	289	Move to new 'Sister Cities Policy' and reformat to new template and delete references to Sister Cities Management Committee
Sister City Meeting Cycles	290	Move to new 'Sister Cities Policy' and reformat to new template and delete references to Sister Cities Management Committee
Sister City Project 'Planning and Development'	291	Move to new 'Sister Cities Policy' and reformat to new template and delete references to Sister Cities Management Committee
Sister City Travel Subsidies Allocation	292	Move to new 'Sister Cities Policy' and reformat to new template and delete references to Sister Cities Management Committee
Smoke Free Venues	293	Moved to new 'Council Property - General' Policy under the heading 'Smoke Free Venues'.
Sponsorship	294	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading 'Sponsorship', combined with other related policy and duplicated text removed.
Staff Consultation	295	Redundant. All HR policies have been reviewed and it is proposed that the revised policies be adopted by COG.
Staff Gratuities	296	Redundant. All HR policies have been reviewed and it is proposed that the revised policies be adopted by COG.
Staff Needs Determination	297	Redundant. All HR policies have been reviewed and it is proposed that the revised policies be adopted by COG.
Staff Vacancies	301	Redundant. All HR policies have been reviewed and it is proposed that the revised policies be adopted by COG.
Statement of Significant Accounting Policies	302	Moved to new 'Finance - General' Policy under the heading 'Statement of Principle Accounting Policies'
Street Lighting Standards	304	Moved to new 'Roads - miscellaneous' under the heading 'Street Lighting Standards'
Street Parties	305	Moved to new 'Council Property - General' Policy under the heading 'Street Parties'.

PAGE: 14
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0017 BD:jp
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

Street Party Permits For Licensed Events	306	Deleted. Redundant - covered by previous policy no.305.
Sun Smart	308	Consolidate into new 'Recreation, Parks and Reserves ' Policy under the heading 'Sun Smart'
Swimming Pool Parap - Diving Board Operation	309	Redundant - propose delete.
Swimming Pools – Council	310	Consolidate into new 'Recreation, Parks and Reserves ' Policy under the heading 'Swimming Pools'
Taxi Ranks – Temporary	312	Delete. Redundant
Tennis Courts	314	Consolidate into new 'Recreation, Parks and Reserves ' Policy under the heading 'Tennis Courts'
Topless Bathing	315	Consolidate into new 'Recreation, Parks and Reserves ' Policy under the heading 'Topless Bathing'
Tourism Promotion and Development	316	Reformat and move to 'Economic Development'.
Town Camp Organisations	317	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading 'Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander'
Traffic Control	319	Moved to new 'Roads - miscellaneous' under the heading 'Traffic Control'.
Tree Preservation Orders - Public Land	323	Reformatted to new template and retitled 'Trees on Verges - Conservation'
Untidy Allotments And Overhanging Vegetation	324	Delete. Redundant.
Vandalism - Reward for Information	325	Moved to new 'Council Property - General' Policy under the heading 'Vandalism'.
verge	326	Reformatted to new template, Lyons Tree Planting schedule deleted (not relevant to Policy) and part dealing with 'walkways' moved to new policy on 'walkways'.
Visitors to Council Meetings from Government Jurisdictions	328	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Council Meetings'
Walkway	329	Moved to new 'Walkways' Policy and legislative references updated.
Walkway Lighting	330	Moved to new 'Walkways' Policy.
Walkways Closure	331	Redundant - Covered by existing Policy 331
Walkways/Laneways/Road Closures Survey – Cost Refunds	332	Moved to new 'Walkways' Policy.
Waste Bin	333	Move to 'Waste Bin' Policy and reformat to new template.
Water Management	336	Move to new 'Environment General Policy' under the heading 'Water Management'.
Weighbridge Charge Exemptions	337	Move to 'Waste Management' policy Under the heading Weighbridge Charge exemptions for non profit bodies
Youth Affairs Networks	339	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading ' Youth'.
Youth Strategy	341	Move to new 'Community Services, Cultural and Social' Policy under the heading ' Youth'.
Alternate Representative on Committees - Roles	343	Moved to new ' Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading ' Committee Meetings'
Mall Mobile Food Stall Licences	344	Moved to new 'Council Property - General' Policy under the heading 'The Mall' and obsolete and redundant material omitted.
Lord Mayoral Protocols	345	Moved to new 'Lord Mayor' Policy.
Corporate Credit Card Usage	347	Moved to new 'Finance - General' Policy under the heading 'Credit Card Usage'

PAGE: 15
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0017 BD:jp
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

Human Resource	348	Redundant. All HR policies have been reviewed and it is proposed that the revised policies be adopted by COG.
Developer Contribution Plan for Stormwater Drainage CP2006/01D - Darwin Zone B	349	Consolidated into a new Policy called 'Developer Contribution Plans'.
Developer Contribution Plan for Stormwater Drainage CP2006/02D - Darwin Zone E	350	Consolidated into a new Policy called 'Developer Contribution Plans'.
Developer Contribution Plan for Stormwater Drainage CP2006/03D - Darwin Zone F	351	Consolidated into a new Policy called 'Developer Contribution Plans'.
Developer Contribution Plan for Stormwater Drainage CP2006/06D - Darwin Zone L	352	Consolidated into a new Policy called 'Developer Contribution Plans'.
Developer Contribution Plan for Stormwater Drainage CP2006/04D - Darwin Zone G	353	Consolidated into a new Policy called 'Developer Contribution Plans'.
Developer Contribution Plan for Stormwater Drainage CP2006/05D - Darwin Zone H	354	Consolidated into a new Policy called 'Developer Contribution Plans'.
Car Parking Contribution Plan Central Business Zone	355	Moved to new 'Central Business Zone Car Parking Strategy and Contribution Plan'.
Painting of House Numbers on Kerbs	356	Moved to new 'Roads - miscellaneous' under the heading 'House Numbers on Kerbs'.
Cemetery Exhumation	357	Policy extracted and moved to 'Cemetery' Policy under the heading 'Exhumation'. Procedures to be moved to new 'Cemetery Procedure'.
Central Business Zone Parking	358	Moved to new 'Central Business Zone Car Parking Strategy and Contribution Plan'.
Fraud	360	Reformatted to new template and titled 'Fraud Protection Plan'.
Long Term Lease Policy	361	Moved to new 'Land Acquisition and Leasing' Policy under the heading 'Long Term Leases'.
Cemetery Flower and Ornament	362	Moved to new 'Cemetery' Policy
General Cemetery Operating	363	Moved to new 'Cemetery' Policy and procedural components and all references to Thorak and related matters deleted.
Demountable Structures and Sea Containers Policy	364	Move to new 'Land Use - General' Policy under the heading 'Demountable structures and Sea Container Policy'.
Revenue Policy	365	Reformatted. (Finance)
Council and Lord Mayoral Reception – Guest List	366	Moved to the new 'Governance General' Policy under the heading "Council and Lord Mayoral' Reception's"
Elected Members' Titles	367	Moved to new 'Elected member' Policy.
Council Functions	368	Moved to the new 'Governance General' Policy under the heading "Council and Lord Mayoral' Reception's"
Council Meeting - Attendance by Members	369	Moved to new 'Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Council Meetings'
Reviewable Decisions	370	Consolidate into new 'Complaints Handling and Review of Decisions Policy'.
Administrative Review Committee	371	Moved to new 'Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Committee Meetings'

PAGE: 16
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0017 BD:jp
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

Elected Members Allowances and Expenses	372	Moved to new 'Elected Member' Policy.
Committee - Creation of Council Committees	373	Largely redundant. Operative part re assigned Committee functions moved to new 'Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Establishment of Committees'.
Regulatory Orders for Cyclone Hazards	374	Moved to new 'Regulatory - Miscellaneous' Policy under the heading "Regulatory Orders - Cyclone Hazards".
Council Meetings – Casting Vote by the Chair	375	Moved to new 'Meetings, Meeting Procedures and Committees' Policy under the heading 'Council Meetings'
Cats – Number of Cats Allowed	376	Moved to new 'Animal Management Policy' under the heading 'Cats'
Cats - Registration	377	Moved to new 'Animal Management Policy' under the heading 'Cats'
Confidential Decisions – Periodic Review	378	Moved to the new 'Governance General' Policy under the heading 'Confidential Decisions - Periodic Review'.
Elected Members - Gifts and Benefits	379	No change - moved to 'Governance' section of the manual.
Policy and Procedure Framework	380	No change - moved to 'Governance' section of the manual.
Elected member Access to Council Information	381	No change - moved to 'Governance' section of the manual.
Additions		Additions
Code of Conduct - Elected members		Schedule 2 of the Act added as new Policy
Darwin Five Year Arts Plan Animal Management Plan		Darwin Five Year Arts Plan added as new Policy (Arts and Cultural Development) Animal Management Plan added as new Policy

PAGE: 17
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0003
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

It is important to note that the existing material has not been reviewed from a policy perspective i.e. the policy content of the reformatted documents remains unchanged even where the need for change has been identified.

A further review from a 'policy content' perspective needs to be undertaken by the Elected Members after receipt of the advice of the CEO and this work is currently underway in a number of areas.

Future Actions

After adoption by Council of the new Policy Manual it is proposed to:

- 1 Make a risk based assessment to determine review priorities for Policies. Elected Members are advised that a number of revised policies will be brought forward for consideration over the course of the coming year. In addition, some policies are already under review – for example the impact that recent legislative changes regarding smoking legislation is having on alfresco dining and street cafes is currently being assessed with a view to recommending some policy changes to the Council in early 2010.
- 2 Establish a database of all policies and procedures. Initially the data base will be populated with the new Council adopted policies but over time the data base will include supporting policies and procedures adopted administratively as well as operating procedures. At the moment there is no central repository for administrative policies and procedures making management, particularly of the review process, difficult. It is planned that Corporate and Departmental Policies and Procedures will be reviewed as they are added to the database.

These steps are being undertaken to contribute to the consistency, timeliness, clarity, transparency and accountability of the Council's decision making processes and in the delivery of services. This is a very large project which will be ongoing in nature due to resourcing requirements however, it is anticipated that the two actions identified above will be complete during 2010.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

PAGE: 18
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0017 BD:jp
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies of the Darwin City Council 2008 – 2012 as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Strategic Directions: Towards 2020 and Beyond':-

Goal

7 Demonstrate Effective, Open and Responsible Governance

Outcome

7.1 Effective governance

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Council must ensure compliance with the provisions of the NT Local Government Act and any other appropriate legislation.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

Positive.

Demonstrates strong governance, due diligence and accountability.

The proposed procedures framework supports progress towards achieving the Evolving Darwin Towards 2020 and Beyond Strategic Plan.

COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

DELEGATION:

Nil

CONSULTATION:

Elected Members – a copy of the proposed policies were distributed on 27 January 2010.

Chief Officers Group.

PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:

Nil

PAGE: 19
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0017 BD:jp
 SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. THAT Report Number 10TC0017 BD:jp entitled, Policy Manual, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council rescind the following Council Policies:
- 1, 2, 3, 6, 9,11,12,16,17,18,20,21,23,25,27,31, 32, 42, 43, 45, 46, 48, 49, 51, 53, 56, 57, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 70, 71, 72, 75, 76, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 96, 97, 98, 99, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 108, 110, 111, 112, 113, 116, 118, 119, 120, 120, 121, 122, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 136, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 148, 149, 150, 151, 153, 154, 155, 157, 158, 159, 163, 165, 166, 167, 169, 170, 173, 174, 176, 177, 180, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 188, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 209, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 229, 231, 232, 233, 235, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 245, 246, 247, 248, 250, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 279, 280, 282, 283, 284, 285, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 301, 302, 304, 305, 306, 308, 309, 310, 312, 314, 315, 316, 317, 319, 323, 324, 325, 326, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 336, 337, 339, 341, 343, 344, 345, 347, 348, 356, 357, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381;
- C. THAT Council adopt Policies 1 to 42 and 44 to 54 inclusive contained in the Draft Policy Manual tabled at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 27 January 2010 as Council Policy.
- D. THAT Council adopt Policy 43 “Meeting Procedures” contained in the Draft Policy Manual tabled at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 27 January 2010 as amended by Council Decision No: 20\2376 (27/01/2010) as Council Policy.

BRENDAN DOWD
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Any queries on this report may be directed to Brendan Dowd on 8930 0531 or b.dowd@darwin.nt.gov.au

15.4 Financial Report to Council – January 2010

Report No.10A0009 FC:ks (05/02/10) Common No. 339122

Report Number 10A0009 FC:ks attached

ENCL: YES

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 05/02/10

REPORT

TO: 2nd ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING /
OPEN

APPROVED: FC

FROM: GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE
SERVICES

APPROVED: KS

**REPORT
NO.:** 10A0009

**COMMON
NO.:** 339122

SUBJECT: FINANCIAL REPORT TO COUNCIL – JANUARY 2010

ITEM NO: 15.4

GENERAL:

This report provides a comparison of income and expenditure against budget for the month ended 31 January 2010.

Accrual Financial Statements

The report contains a set of accrual financial statements comparing YTD Budgets and YTD Actuals at each function level. The following statements are included –

- Income Statement - Council's Operational Revenue & Expenses.
- Statement of Changes in Equity - Council's transfers to and from Reserves and Accumulated Surplus.
- Balance Sheet - Council's Assets, Liabilities and Equity.

Variance Report

Due to the timing of Committee meetings the variance report each month will be for the preceding month. The monthly variance report requires Managers to comment on any variations greater than 10% or \$10,000. This variation amount is based on each programs Year to Date Budget compared to Year to Date Actual expenditure.

SYNOPSIS:

The Local Government (Accounting) Regulation 15 requires that a statement detailing all actual and forecast income and expenditure together with a statement detailing all cash held and investments is to be presented to Council each month.

GENERAL:

For the purpose of Part VI, Allocation of Moneys by Council, of the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations, expenditure is interpreted to include capital payments and income is interpreted to include capital receipts. A summary of income and expenditure as at 31 December 2009, is attached.

ACTION PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

3.2 Financial Management

Goal:

To manage Council affairs based on a comprehensive financial strategy.

Strategies/Actions:

Maintain effective period financial reporting systems for Management and the Council.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Regulation 15 states:-

1. The clerk shall cause to be prepared and laid before each ordinary meeting of the council a statement, in a form approved by the council, setting out –
 - (a) *The actual income and expenditure of the council for the period from the commencement of the financial year to and including the end of the immediately preceding month;*
and
 - (b) *The forecast income and expenditure for the whole of the financial year, so that the council can consider and compare both sets of figures.*

The statement laid before the council must detail –

- a) *All cash and investments held by the Council (including its Trust Fund moneys);*
and
- b) *Such other information required by the Council.*

Delegation of the task of considering the financial reports is consistent with the role and terms of reference of the Corporate & Economic Development Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 10A0009 entitled, Financial Report to Council – January 2010, be received and noted.

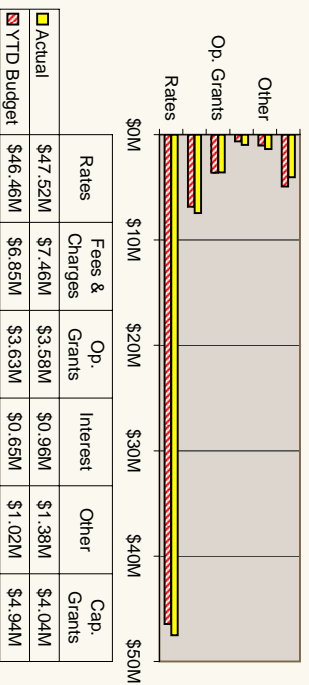
KELLY STIDWORTHY
FINANCE MANAGER

FRANK CRAWLEY
GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES

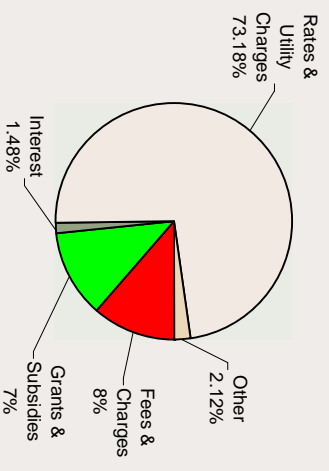
Any queries on this report should be directed to Kelly Stidworthy on 8930 0523 or k.stidworthy@darwin.nt.gov.au

OPERATING PERFORMANCE

YTD Operating & Capital Revenue



YTD Operating & Capital Revenue

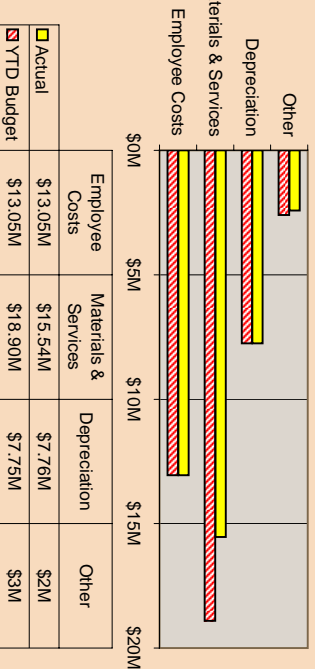


Operating Revenue

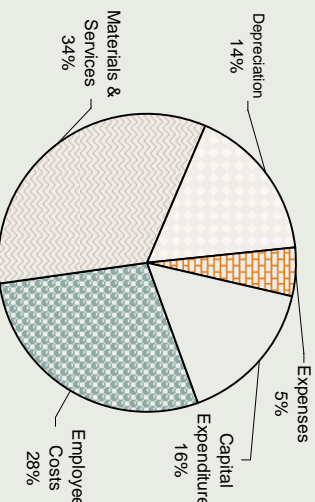
Operating Revenue displays a positive 4% variance (\$2.5M). Utility Rates & Charges present a positive \$1.15M (18%) variance due to recognition of income for carparking shortfall, this will be transferred to Carpark Reserves at 2nd Qtr budget review. Fees & Charges have exceeded budget expectations (\$610k) 9% largely due to Landfill Waste Receipts (\$242k), Offstreet Parking (\$230k) resulting from the issuing of 6mthly permits, Onstreet Parking (\$116k) and Infringement Income (\$188k). This has been slightly offset by Cable Licensing/Permit income (\$50k) and Recoverable Works income (\$47k) which have not achieved expected revenue YTD.

Other Income is displaying a \$525k (73%) positive variance. This originates from electricity accrual savings (\$231k), these monies will be transferred to reserves at 2nd Qtr budget review. Additionally included in other income is Rental/Lease and Alfresco Dining income displaying a \$138k positive variance. Interest Revenue is performing well, exceeding budget expectations by \$311k. The 2nd Qtr budget review will include a transfer to reserve of interest income, which has not been budgeted for in 2009/10. The positive variance is slightly offset by Rate Revenue which is below target (\$91k) and Operational grants (\$53k).

Operating Expenditure



YTD Operating & Capital Expenditure



Operating Expenditure

Overall operating expenditure is below target by 8% (\$3.5M). Materials and Services are below budget 18% (\$3.6M), and Other Expenses 6% (\$152k). Employee Costs are on track displaying 0% variance.

Balance Sheet

Currently Council's Cash at Bank and Investments total \$47.66M, of which \$25M is restricted in reserves. Community Equity for the period is \$657 million compared to a budget of \$644 million. Council Equity consists of -

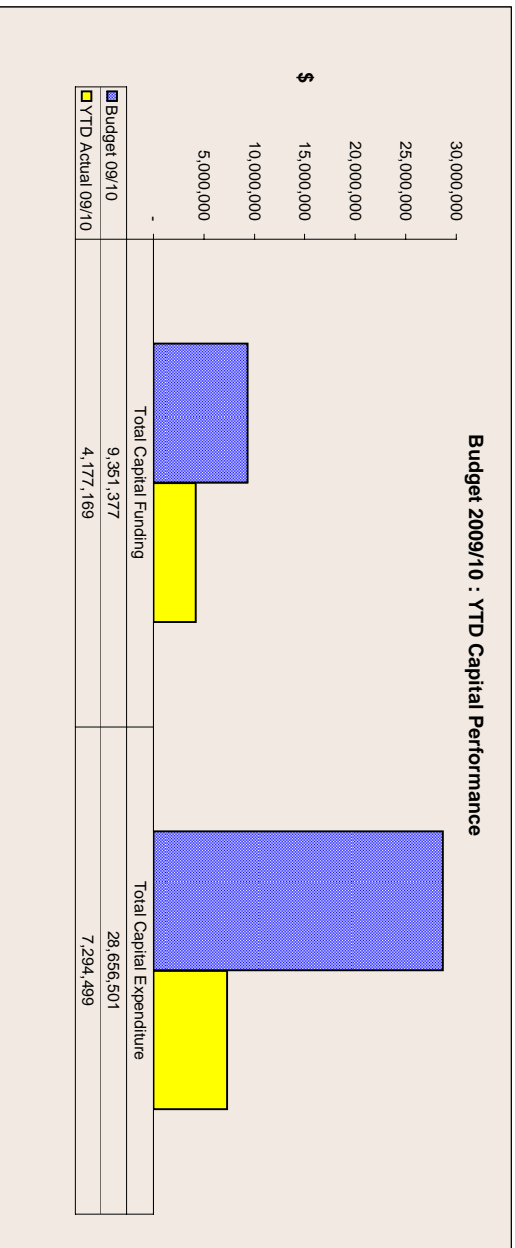
- \$341 million Capital and Asset Revaluation Reserve
- \$25 million Reserves and
- \$291 million Surplus

Council has maintained its ability to meet all its current commitments with a working capital ratio of 1.89:1.

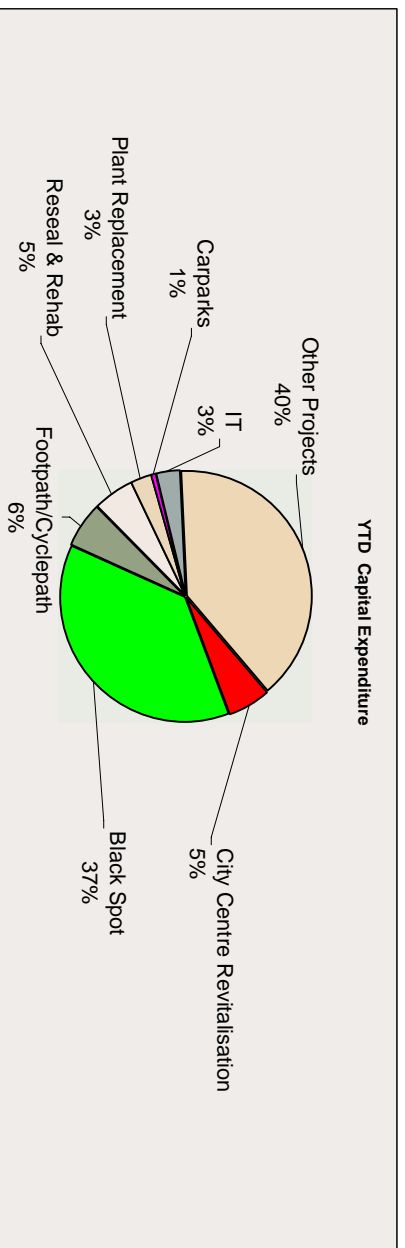
Debt repayments commenced in 2007/08, on the DEC and Animal Pound Loan. Payments totalling \$454,848 comprising both principal and interest portions were made in the 2007/08 year and 2008/09 year. The first instalment for 2009/10 was transacted in November with a principal repayment of \$69,209.89 and interest \$158,213.70.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Council this period has spent \$7.3 million of a \$28.66 million capital budget with a further \$4.5 committed on capital works. Council manages and maintains assets with a net value of \$657 million. Currently Council's capital sustainability ratio is 0.94:1.



PROJECT	BUDGET	SPENT	% SPENT	COMMENTS
City Centre Revitalisation	\$7.20M	\$0.40M	5.56%	Federal grant with approved completion date of September 2010
Black Spot	\$3.24M	\$2.72M	84.09%	
Footpath/Cyclepath	\$1.33M	\$0.43M	32.07%	Awaiting final approval of \$1M Federal grant. Works to commence in February 2010.
Reseal & Rehab	\$1.38M	\$0.38M	27.64%	
Plant Replacement	\$1.66M	\$0.20M	11.97%	Pro rata spending has occurred.
Carparks	\$2.63M	\$0.04M	1.41%	Council approved tender brief December 2010, on schedule with approved timetable.
IT	\$0.89M	\$0.22M	25.11%	
Other Projects	\$10.33M	\$2.91M	28.12%	Generally on track with projects to be completed in second half of 09/10.
Total Projects	\$28.66M	\$7.29M	25.45%	



Key Ratios

	YTD Budget	YTD Actual
--	---------------	---------------

TOTAL CASH

(Total cash)

Identifies availability of cash to meet all commitments

\$37.90M

\$47.66M

DEBT SERVICING RATIO

(Interest + principal/rate revenue)

Identifies the amount of rate revenue required to service all debts.

1.13%

1.14%

REVENUE RATIO

(rate revenue/total revenue)

Identifies the dependency on rate revenue

68.76%

65.84%

DEPRECIATION FUNDING

(Operating surplus before deprec/deprec)

Identifies the ability to fund depreciation

3.74

4.37

The following Ratios were used in the ALGA National Sustainability Study of Local Government Report (2006) as measures of a Council's long term financial stability:

OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) % (operating surplus/total income)

Identifies the proportion of income available to fund future works and maintain the existing assets.
Sustainability Benchmark - any deficits should be <10.00%

36.43%

43.08%

LIQUIDITY RATIO

(current assets/current liabs & reserves)

Identifies the ability to fund current liabilities and cash backed reserves
Sustainability Benchmark - should be >1.00

1.65

1.89

INTEREST COVERAGE

(Operating Surplus+Borrowing Cost/Borrowing Costs)

Interest coverage measures a Council's ability to pay interest on its outstanding debt.
Sustainability Benchmark - should be >3.00

137.35

218.67

SUSTAINABILITY RATIO

(CAPEX/Depreciation)

Measures the net increase or decrease in Council's asset base.
Sustainability Benchmark - should be >1.00

3.70

0.94

RATES RATIO

(Total Rates/Total Expenses)

Measures Council's ability to cover its costs through its own tax revenue.
Sustainability Benchmark - should be >40.00%

109.83%

122.60%

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL Income Statement

31 January 2010



2009 Est. Actual \$	2010 Budget \$	2010 YTD Budget \$	2010 YTD Actual \$	2010 YTD Variance %
Revenue from ordinary activities				
37,347,205	40,081,575	40,090,434	39,999,106	-0.23%
6,405,803	6,370,489	6,370,489	7,521,039	18.06%
43,753,008	46,452,064	46,460,923	47,520,145	2.28%
10,549,124	11,397,781	6,846,964	7,456,560	8.90%
2,382,262	1,113,000	649,250	959,762	47.83%
12,730,504	1,184,126	718,821	1,244,216	73.09%
5,094,579	5,036,896	3,628,406	3,575,791	-1.45%
74,509,477	65,183,867	58,304,364	60,756,473	4.21%
Expenses from ordinary activities				
20,903,884	21,904,619	13,049,775	13,049,638	0.00%
32,890,138	31,556,926	18,900,731	15,542,280	-17.77%
14,014,037	13,293,000	7,754,250	7,757,725	0.04%
315,025	311,576	155,788	120,240	-22.82%
-	3,440,441	2,443,887	2,291,670	-6.23%
68,123,084	70,506,562	42,304,431	38,761,553	-8.37%
6,386,393	(5,322,695)	15,999,933	21,994,919	37.47%
Other Capital Amounts				
3,333,425	8,740,723	4,935,223	4,043,641	-18.07%
373,901	610,654	305,909	133,528	-56.35%
10,093,719	4,028,682	21,241,065	26,172,089	23.21%

Explanation
Income Statement
This Statement outlines:
- all sources of Council's YTD income (revenue).
- all YTD operating expenses incurred. These expenses relate to operations and do not include capital expenditure.
However the depreciation of assets is included.
The Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit) for the reporting period is a good measure of council's financial performance.
This figure is determined by deducting total expenses from total revenue.

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

Balance Sheet

31 January 2010



2009	2010	2010	2010
Est. Actual	Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual
\$	\$	\$	\$
Current Assets			
16,037,581	21,647,964	37,896,013	47,659,374
2,933,890	3,673,000	9,119,670	15,849,784
138,514	123,000	138,514	173,433
21,858,432	-	-	-
40,968,417	25,443,964	47,154,197	63,682,591
Non-Current Assets			
604,862,595	541,986,509	597,108,345	597,753,514
2,871,981	-	16,865,111	9,385,885
607,734,576	541,986,509	613,973,456	607,139,399
648,702,993	567,430,473	661,127,653	670,821,990
TOTAL ASSETS			
Current Liabilities			
8,039,211	5,083,000	7,895,940	3,669,438
4,254,505	4,226,000	4,254,505	4,615,578
-	143,000	214,771	74,062
12,293,716	9,452,000	12,365,216	8,359,078
4,597,632	4,430,000	4,597,632	4,597,632
Non-Current Liabilities			
Interest bearing liabilities	558,000	646,293	633,491
Provisions	4,988,000	5,243,925	5,233,123
17,537,641	14,440,000	17,609,141	13,592,201
631,165,352	552,990,473	643,518,512	657,229,789
NET COMMUNITY ASSETS			
Community Equity			
341,131,656	267,816,000	341,131,656	341,131,656
28,210,977	16,157,000	16,157,000	25,390,108
261,822,719	269,017,473	286,229,856	290,708,025
631,165,352	552,990,473	643,518,512	657,229,789
TOTAL COMMUNITY EQUITY	552,990,473	643,518,512	657,229,789

Explanation

Balance Sheet

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

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

Statement of Changes in Equity

31 January 2010



2009	2010	2010	2010
Est. Actual	Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual
\$	\$	\$	\$
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS			
257,367,949	264,988,791	264,988,791	261,822,719
Balance at beginning of the year			
Change in Net Assets recognised in the Income Statement	4,028,682	21,241,065	26,172,089
(32,742,183)	-	-	(7,343,470)
27,103,234	-	-	10,056,687
Capital Reserve Transfers (to)/from Reserves			
261,822,719	269,017,473	286,229,856	290,708,025
Balance at end of the year			
ASSET REVALUATION RESERVE			
267,815,763	267,816,000	341,131,656	341,131,656
Balance at beginning of the year			
Transfers to Asset Revaluation Reserve	-	-	-
73,315,893	-	-	-
Transfers from Asset Revaluation Reserve			
341,131,656	267,816,000	341,131,656	341,131,656
Balance at end of the year			
OTHER RESERVES - CASH BACKED			
23,747,692	16,157,000	16,157,000	28,210,977
Balance at beginning of the year			
Recurrent Reserve Transfers to/(from) Reserves	-	-	7,343,470
31,566,519	-	-	(10,164,339)
(27,103,234)	-	-	-
Capital Reserve Transfers to/(from) Reserves			
28,210,977	16,157,000	16,157,000	25,390,108
Balance at end of the year			
631,165,352	552,990,473	643,518,512	657,229,789
TOTAL COMMUNITY EQUITY			

Explanation

Statement of Changes in Equity

This summarises the change in a Council's real worth throughout the financial year. Council's net worth can change as a result of:

- a surplus or deficit as recorded in the Income Statement
- an increase or decrease in the value of non-current assets resulting from a revaluation of those assets.

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income
1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

Chief Executive Office

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	685,648	362,839	381,636	1,568	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	685,648	362,839	381,636	1,568		

Variance Comments:

73

73

Governance

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-	-	-3,334	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	1,131,219	618,424	501,184	8,421	23%	117,240
Grand Total	1,131,219	618,424	497,850	8420.69		

Variance Comments:

Expenditure is below budget for Allowances, Air Travel (\$16k), Course/Workshop/Training Registration (\$17k), Refreshments/Food & Misc (\$14k) and Materials (\$8k).

Communications & Marketing

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	1,012,666	555,086	508,182	74,092	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	1,012,666	555,086	508,182	74,092		

Variance Comments:

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income
1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

Strategic Services

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-	-	-17,899	-	-100%	17,899
02 - Expenditure	229,430	128,095	161,224	162	-21%	-33,129
Grand Total	229,430	128,095	143,325	162		

Variance Comments:

Income variance is due to unbudgeted income for Capital City Committee Secretariat Support. A 2nd quarter budget variation has been submitted to create a budget for this. This income, plus additional income for Secretariat Support for TOPROC (currently within Business Services and will be transferred across), offsets the over expenditure in salaries and wages.

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income 1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

75

Climate Change & Environment

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-85,209	-42,606	-28,735	-	48%	-13,871
02 - Expenditure	270,460	135,804	3,851	455	3426%	131,953
Grand Total	185,251	93,198	-24,884	455		

Variance Comments:

Income variance is due to unrealized budgeted grant income (\$13k) and lower actuals for LMS invoicing (\$1k). Expenditure variance is attributed to timing of hiring of Senior Policy Officer, this has created variances in salaries and wages(+551k) and timing of the implementation of Environmental Management Operational Projects (+\$80k) eg Water Sustainability Management Plan and 1st Stage of Implementation of Building Energy Efficiency Audits. Vacancy has been filled and expenditure will commence 3rd to 4th qtr.

75

Waste Management

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-10,185,010	-7,542,774	-7,848,307	-	-4%	305,533
02 - Expenditure	9,964,733	5,044,776	4,991,359	5,134,480	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	-220,277	-2,497,998	-2,856,948	5,134,480		

Variance Comments:

Income variance is due to higher than budgeted income received for commercial wastes, contaminated and special wastes going into the Weighbridge bridge (+\$268k). Domestic garbage collection actuals are higher for both kerbside and manual collection by (+\$27k) and (+\$7k) respectively. Additionally Waste Income Recharge (+\$3k) and weighbridge access tag income (+\$1k) are higher than budgeted.

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income 1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

GM Community & Cultural Services

76

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-32,500	-	-32,895	-	-100%	32,895
02 - Expenditure	657,488	312,350	302,168	1,813	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	624,988	312,350	269,273	1,813		

Variance Comments:

Grant funding from NTG to develop Pararp Recreational Facility Masterplan & Stage One of Pararp Site Redevelopment Master Plan has been received in December, expected in January. The variance will clear in January.

76

Darwin Entertainment Centre

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-380,000	-189,996	-60,000	-	217%	-129,996
02 - Expenditure	1,150,678	556,740	428,428	-	30%	128,312
Grand Total	770,678	366,744	368,428	-		

Variance Comments:

Income - Advice received that first 6 months \$130,000 funding from NTG to be paid shortly.
Expenditure - Professional legal advice work has commenced on DEC Constitution (\$50,000 allocation). One off DEC funding (\$60,000 allocation) subject to NTG funding same amount.

Community Services & Support

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-2,092	-1,044	-2,000	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	1,283,155	731,456	575,544	104,749	27%	155,912
Grand Total	1,281,063	730,412	573,544	104,749		

Variance Comments:

-Community safety budget is underspent due to stage of negotiations for alcohol management plan and safety officer programming.
- Special project budget is underspent, budget is for implementation as per Council and GM direction (eg. Seniors, YEP and HomelessConnect) .

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income
1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

Family & Childrens Services

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-105,763	-51,882	-66,093	-	-22%	14,211
02 - Expenditure	351,968	173,140	187,908	13,752	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	246,205	121,258	121,816	13,752		

Variance Comments:

Nightcliff Community Centre income has exceeded budget with higher usage than predicted (\$10k). Contributing to the variance is Youth Engagement grant funding received for Pods/Vods (\$2k) - 2nd quarter budget variation has been submitted.

Community & Cultural Services

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-493,179	-246,594	-265,888	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	1,330,938	683,298	696,816	1,811	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	837,759	436,704	430,928	1,811		

Variance Comments:

Sister Cities

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-	-	-3,364	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	141,077	61,316	49,389	685	24%	11,927
Grand Total	141,077	61,316	46,025	685		

Variance Comments:

Sister cities operational and community committee budgets is underspent as are community committee expenditures. Will correct as year progresses.

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income 1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

Libraries

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-1,341,091	-1,312,538	-1,344,177	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	2,898,618	1,472,241	1,437,500	90,904	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	1,557,527	159,703	93,323	90,904		

Variance Comments:

--

Control of Domestic Animals

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-600,389	-300,192	-346,949	-	-13%	46,757
02 - Expenditure	1,207,094	617,840	722,660	521	-15%	-104,820
Grand Total	606,705	317,648	375,711	521		

Variance Comments:

Animal registration income is high YTD.

Expenditure variance created by salaries & wages (\$64k), legal expenditure (\$17k) and RSPCA costs (\$24k).

--

Regulatory Services

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-813,271	-406,634	-599,178	-	-32%	192,544
02 - Expenditure	1,460,533	722,123	932,580	5,682	-23%	-210,457
Grand Total	647,262	315,489	333,402	5,682		

Variance Comments:

Income variance due to an increase in parking officers policing CBD parking regulations.

Expenditure variance due to temporary staff costs (\$163k partially offset by salaries & wages \$31k and internal plant hire (\$31) as there is an increase in the number of parking officers employed to police CBD area and Waterfront precincts. Additionally infringement write-offs have exceeded budget by \$90k, largely due to uncollectable infringements for sleeping/camping in public places.

--

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income 1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

GM Infrastructure

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	479,615	242,587	248,412	1,333	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	479,615	242,587	248,412	1,333		

Variance Comments:

Asset Management

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	453,420	228,054	203,635	51,730	12%	24,419
Grand Total	453,420	228,054	203,635	51,730		

Variance Comments:

Expenditure variance is due to underspent budget for contracted materials and services for acceptance inspection for stormwater network (+\$28k), unspent budget for temporary staff (+\$14k) partially offset by overspending in non-contract services (-\$18k) for road pavement data collection.

Infrastructure Projects

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
02 - Expenditure	488,842	246,836	187,406	365	32%	59,430
Grand Total	488,842	246,836	187,406	365		

Variance Comments:

Variance is due to underspending in salaries and wages (+\$45k), unspent budget for overtime (+\$7k), internal plant hire recharge (+\$3k), contracted materials (+\$2k) and non-contract services (+\$2k).

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income

1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

80

Planning

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-223,844	-111,924	-177,641	-	-37%	65,717
02 - Expenditure	873,768	399,718	303,764	10,509	32%	95,954
Grand Total	649,924	287,794	126,122	10,509		

Variance Comments:

Income variance is due to unbudgeted income for subdivision plan approval, invoiced (+71k) for the plan approval and development fees for the whole of Lyons subdivision, additionally payment received from Gema NT Pty Ltd. for 7 driveways, handover fees for Farrell Cres (+2k), unbudgeted stormwater-developer contribution from Gwelo Dev't Pty Ltd. (+\$9k) and higher permit and road reserve income (+\$19k) and license and permit fees (+\$6k). This is partially offset by lower recoverable work income (-\$43k). Expenditure variance is due to underspending in contracted materials and services (+\$58k), materials (+\$16k), consultancy (+\$13k) and overtime (+\$3k). Also there are no actual charges yet for temporary staff (+\$6k).

80

Design

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	479,760	241,888	179,428	58,605	35%	62,460
Grand Total	479,760	241,888	179,428	58,605		

Variance Comments:

Expenditure variance is mainly due to timing for consultancy already committed but no actual invoices have not been received as yet (+\$32k), unspent budget for temporary staff (+\$15k) and underspending in salaries and wages (+\$15k).

Urban Enhancement

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-4,187,727	-1,587,727	-2,267,255	-	100%	679,528
Grand Total	-4,187,727	-1,587,727	-2,267,255	-		

Variance Comments:

Variance is due to 2nd quarter timing of the invoicing of the Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program funding amounting to (+\$720k) for the City Centre Revitalization Project and also difference of the monthly split in the budget in the first quarter where actual income is lower than budget by (-\$72k). A 2nd Qtr budget variation has been submitted to address this. In addition developer contributions income, which cannot be budgeted for, has been received for by Gema NT Pty Ltd for seven (7) driveways and footpath at Farrell Crescent Subdivision (+\$32k).

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income
1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

Road Construction & Traffic Management

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-4,429,996	-3,269,996	-1,778,265	-	84%	-1,491,731
Grand Total	-4,429,996	-3,269,996	-1,778,265	-		

Variance Comments:

Mainly due budgeted grant funds for Roads to Recovery (\$1.5M) and Local Area Traffic Management (LATM) (\$100k) both not yet received, partially offset by higher actual grant received for Black Spot Project (+\$75k)

Roads & Maintenance

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-1,655,494	-1,052,273	-1,038,391	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	4,789,446	2,393,360	1,738,033	196,661	38%	655,327
Grand Total	3,133,952	1,341,087	699,642	196,661		

Variance Comments:

Expenditure variance is mainly due to lower actual for contracted materials and services (+\$584k) part of which are committed -\$176k awaiting invoices, also works for the Bishop St and Benison Rd are still in progress. Additionally electricity savings in streetlighting by (+\$81k) and lower actual in internal plant hire recharge (\$44k). These are partially offset by higher actual expenditure YTD for in temporary staff (-\$43k), materials (-\$3k) and non-contract services (-\$9k).

Pathways

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	622,624	312,819	343,214	17,529	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	622,624	312,819	343,214	17,529		

Variance Comments:

--

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income 1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

Street Cleaning

82

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
02 - Expenditure	2,344,016	1,175,862	1,077,276	179,289	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	2,344,016	1,175,862	1,077,276	179,289		

Variance Comments:

82

Building Services

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-	-	-13,863	-	-100%	13,863
02 - Expenditure	3,611,503	1,876,824	1,463,651	241,465	28%	413,173
Grand Total	3,611,503	1,876,824	1,449,788	241,465		

Variance Comments:

Income variance is due to unforeseen grants from NT Govt Dept of Educ and Training (Children Services Licensing Dept) for Malak Family Centre Incorp (+\$7k) and from Commonwealth Gov't grant funding for Parap Family Centre Incorp for the upgrade of the installation of verandah (+\$3k).
Expenditure variance is due to lower actual for contracted materials and services (+\$219k) of which \$140k are committed awaiting invoicing, non-contract services (+\$120k) of which \$108k are is committed and awaiting invoicing, underspending in water (+\$23k), salaries and wages (+\$52k).

Operations

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	433,106	218,362	249,214	39,265	-12%	-30,852
Grand Total	433,106	218,362	249,214	39,265		

Variance Comments:

Expenditure variance is mainly due to the unbudgeted Disaster Recovery Operational Cost which was brought about by the clean-up operations undertaken during the December 12, 2009 storm. These expenses are include salaries and wages (-\$39k), overtime (-\$12k), materials (-\$3k) partially offset by unspent budget for temporary staff (+\$12k) and underspending in internal plant hire recharge (+\$11k) budgeted under Operations Admin.

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income
1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

83

Stormwater Drainage Maintenance

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
02 - Expenditure	678,019	341,121	316,233	19,838	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	678,019	341,121	316,233	19,838		

Variance Comments:

83

Mosquito Control

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-202,704	-64,854	-	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	184,701	92,446	131,959	18,867	-30%	-39,513
Grand Total	-18,003	27,592	131,959	18,867		

Variance Comments:

Variance is mainly due to timing of mosquito control program with higher actuals than budget for materials (-\$34k).

Parks & Reserves

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-124,600	-52,300	-79,875	-	-35%	27,575
02 - Expenditure	7,589,300	3,814,599	3,507,895	97,620	9%	306,704
Grand Total	7,464,700	3,762,299	3,428,020	97,620		

Variance Comments:

Income variance is due to higher income for Bagot Road Oval grant of (+\$17k). GST adjustment related to lease income (+\$17k) and unbudgeted park hire lease fees (+\$12k) partially offset by timing of the 2nd qtr income from the maintenance of Fannie Bay Greenbelt area (-\$19k).
 Expenditure variance is due to lower actual contracted materials and services (+\$249k), some of this is due to the time taken to renew period contracts Elevating Work Platform and Tree Planting, and expenditure for these types of works is currently being booked to non contract services. Salaries and Wages are underspent for Parks and Reserves (+\$143k) due to staff vacancies, this has been partially offset by temporary staff (-\$45k). Additionally non-contract services (+\$91k), internal plant hire recharge (+\$44k), materials (+\$11k) are underspent, these are partially offset by higher actuals for water charges (-\$167k).

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income 1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

84

Sporting Areas

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
02 - Expenditure	1,477,334	741,813	617,145	25,243	20%	124,668
Grand Total	1,477,334	741,813	617,145	25,243		

Variance Comments:

Expenditure variance is due to underspending in salaries and wages (+\$76k), contracted materials and services (+\$74k), materials (+\$23k), water (+\$13k), electricity (+\$11k) and sewerage (+\$8k). These are partially offset by an overspent in non-contract services (- \$29k) internal plant hire recharge (-\$29k), temporary staff (-\$18k) and overtime (-\$4k).

84

Cemeteries

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-72,290	-16,146	-30,592	-	-47%	14,446
02 - Expenditure	212,509	107,127	99,498	364	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	140,219	90,981	68,906	364		

Variance Comments:

Income variance higher memorial permit fees (+\$9k), unbudgeted income for installation of headstone (+\$3k) and interment fee (+\$1k).

Urban Forest Management

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
02 - Expenditure	1,589,479	797,817	793,995	91,015	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	1,589,479	797,817	793,995	91,015		

Variance Comments:

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income 1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

GM Corporate Services

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-1,113,000	-556,500	-798,615	-	-30%	242,115
02 - Expenditure	-383,375	-102,404	-99,708	2,948	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	-1,496,375	-658,904	-898,323	2,948		

Variance Comments:

Variance relates to higher than expected interest on Investments (\$220k), 2nd Qtr budget review includes a transfer to reserve for interest income on reserves not budgeted in 2009/10.

Financial & Management Accounting Services

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-1,454,776	-918,694	-1,650,150	-	-44%	731,456
02 - Expenditure	1,327,869	780,886	523,653	6	49%	257,233
Grand Total	-126,907	-137,808	-1,126,497	6		

Variance Comments:

Income variance is a result of cashing Chinatown bank guarantee \$500k and electricity accrual saving \$231k, the electricity savings will be transferred to reserves in 2nd Qtr budget review.
Expenditure variance is a result of Employee Overheads which is variable based on timing of Annual Leave and Sick Leave taken. This will equalise as the year progresses.

Revenue Services

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-42,024,329	-41,798,560	-42,744,852	-	-2%	946,292
02 - Expenditure	801,246	469,358	312,756	1,417	50%	156,602
Grand Total	-41,223,083	-41,329,202	-42,432,096	1,417		

Variance Comments:

Income variance result of carpark shortfall revenue (\$1.15M) to be transferred to reserve at 2nd Qtr budget review. This has been moderated by Rates budget(\$90k) which takes growth into account. This is to be fully reviewed in 3rd quarter. Additionally Legal fees received is below budget (\$63k) as it is tied to legal fees expense and we have not fully commenced legal action for 2010, again this will form a part of 3rd quarter review.
Expenditure variance is due to valuation fees to be referred to Council by GM Corp and legal recovery expenditure.

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income
1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

86

Information Technology

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	1,385,652	802,091	819,305	67,810	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	1,385,652	802,091	819,305	67,810		

Variance Comments:

86

Records & Information Management

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-	-	-	-55	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	742,969	374,502	344,564	226	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	742,969	374,502	344,510	226		

Variance Comments:

Human Resources

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-	-	-63,030	-	-100%	63,030
02 - Expenditure	1,138,823	610,158	708,533	42,008	-14%	-98,375
Grand Total	1,138,823	610,158	645,503	42,008		

Variance Comments:

Income variance is due to Workers Compensation claims which cannot be budgeted for. Expenditure variance is result of salaries & wages for (partially offset by the workers compensation income).

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income
1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

87

Risk Management

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	708,740	498,303	507,341	1,885	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	708,740	498,303	507,341	1,885		

Variance Comments:

87

Business Services

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-80,000	-20,000	-7,628	-	162%	-12,372
02 - Expenditure	227,121	113,694	104,348	1,611	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	147,121	93,694	96,720	1,611		

Variance Comments:

Income variance is due to budget allocation for Waterfront Income (\$20k). This was partially offset by monies received for TOPROC Membership (-\$8k) which is to be transferred to Strategic Services Program.

Customer Services

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-39,581	-28,568	-28,107	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	466,482	234,989	231,463	23,775	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	425,901	206,421	203,356	23,775		

Variance Comments:

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income 1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

88

88

Contracts Administration

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A
02 - Expenditure	209,282	105,704	130,782	105	-19%	-25,078
Grand Total	209,282	105,704	130,782	105		

Variance Comments:

Variance is due to overspending in Salaries & Wages (-\$22k) and Legal Expenses (-\$8k) .

Property Management

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-1,027,458	-501,232	-588,085	62	-15%	86,853
02 - Expenditure	245,740	115,838	137,692	7,324	-16%	-21,854
Grand Total	-781,718	-385,394	-450,392	7,385		

Variance Comments:

Property Rentals & Leases higher than predicted for Westlane Carpark (\$35k), Smith/Daly Street (Hertz) (\$31k) and Alfresco Dining (\$21k), this is offset by income budgeted but not received for Cable TV Licenses (\$33k).

Expenditure variance is due to Consultancy Fees (-\$14k), Salaries & Wages (-\$6k) and Materials (-\$4k).

On Street Parking

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-1,596,920	-798,462	-932,743	-	-1.4%	134,281
02 - Expenditure	294,509	147,253	180,084	2,882	-18%	-32,831
Grand Total	-1,302,411	-651,209	-752,660	2,882		

Variance Comments:

Income variance due to higher than budgeted income for Zone A (\$42k), Zone B (\$63k) and Zone C (\$29k). Expenditure has exceeded budget for Contracted Materials & Services (\$27k) and Materials (\$10k).

Program Summary - Operational Expenditure, Revenue and Capital Income 1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

Off Street Parking

Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-1,629,616	-949,437	-1,215,523	-	-22%	266,086
02 - Expenditure	1,224,947	616,158	553,376	57,208	11%	62,782
Grand Total	-404,669	-333,279	-662,147	57,208		

Variance Comments:

Six monthly permits for the remainder of the 2009/10 year were issued in November . This has created an income variance mainly due to timing of budget cashflow for Westlane (\$70k) and Chinatown (\$71k), Cavenagh Street (\$24k), Stott Lane (\$13k), Nicholas Place (\$12k), Darwin Oval (\$14k), McLachlan Street (\$11k) and McMinn Street (\$10k). Additionally higher than budgeted income for Management & Policing of Carparks (\$41k) has been received.
Expenditure variance is mainly due to projects budget allocation for CBD Parking Policy/Strategy & Financial Modelling not incurring expenditure as yet YTD.

Fleet Management

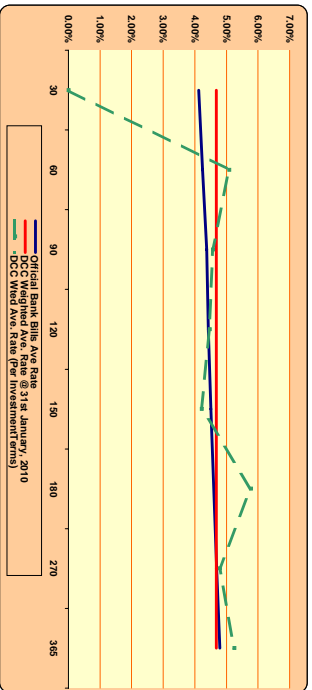
Income/Expenditure	Annual Full Year Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Commitments	% Var. > 10% & \$10,000 or \$100,000	\$ Variance
01 - Income	-636,165	-166,670	-130,567	-	28%	-36,113
02 - Expenditure	-1,257,830	-609,657	-618,575	38,709	N/A	N/A
Grand Total	-1,892,995	-776,327	-749,131	38,709		

Variance Comments:

Traded plant income has not achieved target YTD as this is linked to replacement and purchases of plant which are waiting delivery.

INVESTMENTS REPORT TO COUNCIL AS AT January 31 2010									
CREDIT RATING as Standard and Poors	COUNTERPARTY	INV TYPE	AMOUNT	INTEREST RATE	MATURITY DATE	DAYS TO MATURITY	WEIGHTED AVERAGE RATE	INSTITUTION TOTALS	
Major Banks Total @ Invested				\$ 17,167,836.52	39.09%		of portfolio		
AA-A1+	ANZ	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.11%	February 24, 2010	24	0.000936892		
AA-A1+	ANZ	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.11%	February 24, 2010	24	0.000936892		
AA-A1+	ANZ	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.40%	March 31, 2010	59	0.001001928		
AA-A1+	ANZ	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.40%	March 31, 2010	59	0.001001928		
AA-A1+	ANZ	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.64%	May 5, 2010	94	0.001056578		
AA-A1+	ANZ	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.63%	May 26, 2010	115	0.001054301	\$ 6,000,000.00	13.66%
AA-A1+	National Bank	TD	\$ 1,015,361.65	5.09%	March 10, 2010	38	0.001176853		
AA-A1+	National Bank	TD	\$ 1,010,997.27	5.26%	April 14, 2010	73	0.001210931		
AA-A1+	National Bank	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	5.61%	May 12, 2010	101	0.001277458		
AA-A1+	National Bank	TD	\$ 1,028,603.08	6.12%	June 30, 2010	150	0.001433451		
AA-A1+	National Bank	TD	\$ 1,015,479.46	6.08%	July 14, 2010	164	0.001405913		
AA-A1+	National Bank	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	6.25%	July 26, 2010	164	0.001423193	\$ 6,070,441.46	13.82%
AA-A1+	Cominvest-FHG	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	3.25%	February 10, 2010	10	0.000740060		
AA-A1+	Cominvest-FHG	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	3.25%	February 10, 2010	10	0.000740060		
AA-A1+	Cominvest-Secure	TD	\$ 1,009,739.73	4.90%	March 24, 2010	52	0.001126651		
AA-A1+	Cominvest-Secure	TD	\$ 1,028,291.64	4.30%	April 14, 2010	73	0.001008659		
AA-A1+	Cominvest-Secure	TD	\$ 1,059,363.69	5.80%	June 9, 2010	129	0.001399126	\$ 5,097,395.06	11.61%
Regional Banks Total @ Invested			\$ 18,169,386.56	41.37%		of portfolio			
AA-A1+	Bankwest	TD	\$ 1,100,938.95	4.10%	March 3, 2010	31	0.001027852		
AA-A1+	Bankwest	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.12%	March 10, 2010	38	0.000938169		
AA-A1+	Bankwest	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.15%	April 7, 2010	66	0.000946500		
AA-A1+	Bankwest	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.25%	April 7, 2010	66	0.000967771		
AA-A1+	Bankwest	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.80%	May 26, 2010	115	0.001098012		
AA-A1+	Bankwest	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.60%	July 21, 2010	171	0.001047470	\$ 6,100,938.95	13.89%
AA-A1-	Citibank	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	3.70%	February 3, 2010	3	0.000842530		
AA-A1-	Citibank	TD	\$ 1,003,404.11	4.10%	March 24, 2010	52	0.000936793		
AA-A1-	Citibank	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.41%	April 21, 2010	80	0.001004205		
AA-A1-	Citibank	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.28%	May 5, 2010	94	0.000974602		
AA-A1-	Citibank	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.50%	July 21, 2010	171	0.001024699	\$ 5,003,404.11	11.39%
AA-A1-	Citibank	TD	\$ 1,030,830.91	4.60%	April 21, 2010	80	0.001079764	\$ 1,030,830.91	2.35%
AA-A1-	Macquarie Bank Limited	TD	\$ 835,366.47	4.75%	February 3, 2010	3	0.000905554		
AA-A1-	Suncorp-Metway Limited	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.35%	February 17, 2010	17	0.000990542		
AA-A1-	Suncorp-Metway Limited	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.35%	February 17, 2010	17	0.000990542		
AA-A1-	Suncorp-Metway Limited	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	4.70%	March 10, 2010	38	0.001070241		
AA-A1-	Suncorp-Metway Limited	TD	\$ 1,198,846.12	4.90%	April 7, 2010	66	0.001337652		
AA-A1-	Suncorp-Metway Limited	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	5.26%	September 8, 2010	220	0.001197759	\$ 6,034,212.59	13.74%
Credit Societies Total @ Invested			\$ 1,904,646.03	4.34%		of portfolio			
Not Rated*	SALCU - FIIG	TD	\$ 1,004,646.03	3.50%	March 3, 2010	31	0.000806961	\$ 1,004,646.03	2.29%
Not Rated*	DEFICREDIT	TD	\$ 900,000.00	6.15%	June 9, 2010	129	0.001260379	\$ 900,000.00	2.05%
NT Government Total @ Invested			\$ 6,673,476.07	15.20%		of portfolio			
AA-A1**	TIO	TD	\$ 1,026,890.24	4.62%	March 3, 2010	31	0.001080313		
AA-A1**	TIO	TD	\$ 2,577,490.21	4.79%	March 17, 2010	45	0.0002611359		
AA-A1**	TIO	TD	\$ 1,000,000.00	5.06%	March 24, 2010	52	0.001152217		
AA-A1**	TIO	TD	\$ 1,032,227.23	4.93%	April 14, 2010	73	0.001156793		
AA-A1**	TIO	TD	\$ 1,036,868.39	5.25%	October 13, 2010	255	0.001239557	\$ 6,673,476.07	15.20%
APRA regulated *Moody's Rated									
TOTAL FUNDS INVESTED			\$ 43,915,345.18	100.00%		Average Days to Maturity	78.00	Weighted Average	4.68%
GENERAL BANK FUNDS			\$ 3,744,028.46						
TOTAL ALL FUNDS			\$ 47,659,373.64						
Type of Investment		Amount	% Portfolio						
Term Deposit		\$ 43,915,345.18	92%						
Bank Bills		\$ -	0%						
Negotiable Certificate of Deposit		\$ -	0%						
CBA At Call		\$ 3,744,028.46	8%						
		\$ 47,659,373.64	100%						
Total Budget Investment Earnings			\$ 649,250.00						
Year to Date Investment Earnings			\$ 959,761.79						

Date	Official Bank Bills Avg Rate	DCC Weighted Avg. Rate @ 31st January 2010	DCC Weight Avg. Rate (Per Investment Terms)
30	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%
60	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%
90	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%
120	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%
150	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%
180	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%
210	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%
240	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%
270	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%
300	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%





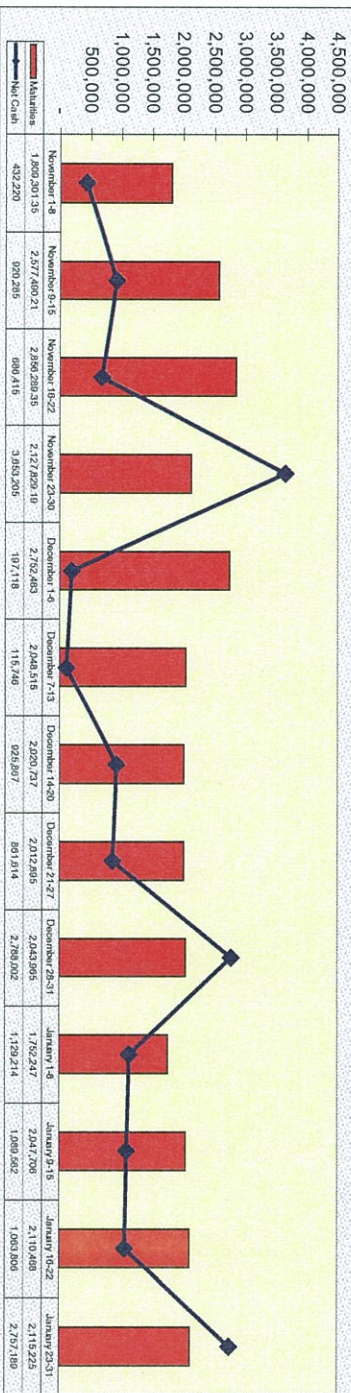
INVESTMENTS REPORT TO COUNCIL AS AT 31st JANUARY 2010

Investment Policy Limits

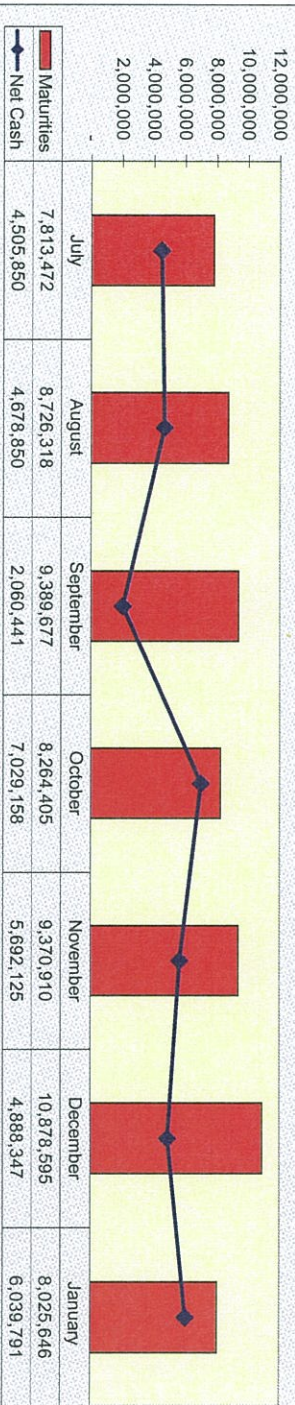
Short Term	Policy Max.	Actual Portfolio
A1+	100%	53%
A1	45%	27%
A2	25%	15%
A3/BBB/No Rating	10%	4%

Counterparty	Policy Min.	Policy Max.	Actual Portfolio
Major Banks	15%	45%	39%
Regional Banks	15%	45%	41%
Credit Unions/Building Societies/ Other ADI's	15%	45%	20%

Weekly Investment Maturities vs Cashflow Requirements



Monthly Investment Maturities vs Cashflow Requirements



Authorised by

Brendan Dowd
Chief Executive Officer
02/02/2010

Authorised by

Frank Crawley
GM Corporate Services
02/02/2010

Authorised by

Kelly Stidworthy
Finance Manager
02/02/2010

**DARWIN CITY COUNCIL
CASH AND INVESTMENTS SUMMARY**

92

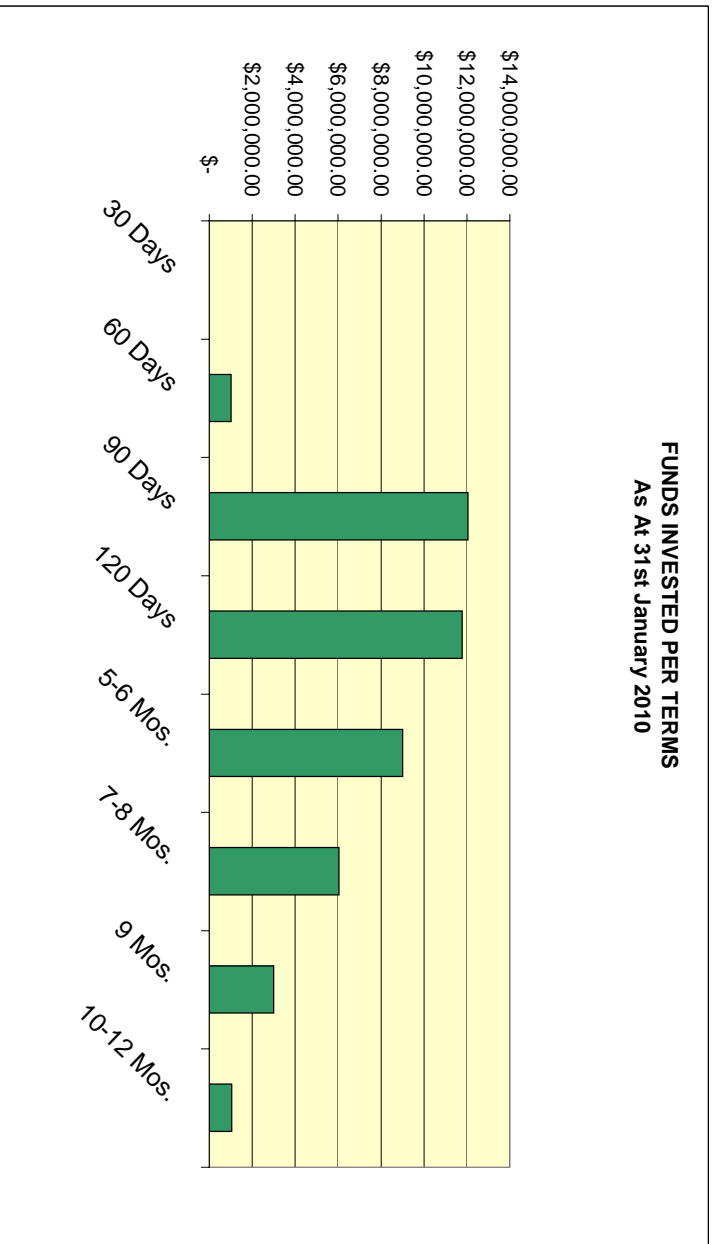
As at 31st January, 2010 Council's short term cash position was as follows:

1. General Fund

Cash at Bank	\$ 3,744,028.46
Short Term Investments	\$ 43,915,345.18

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

92

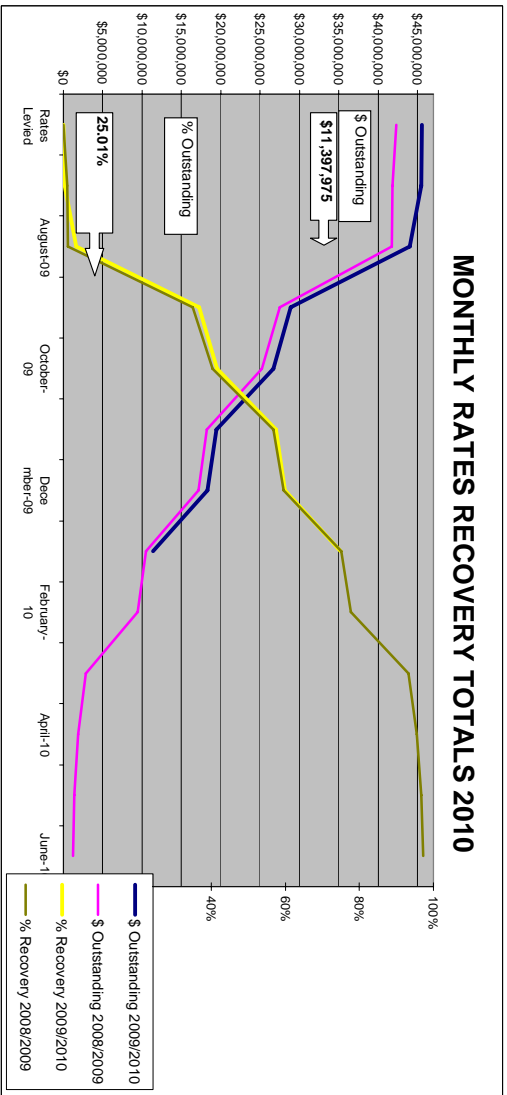
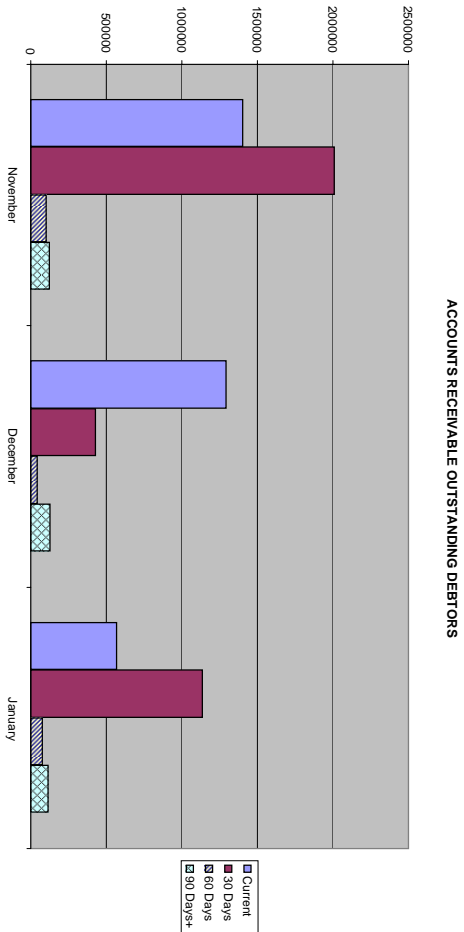
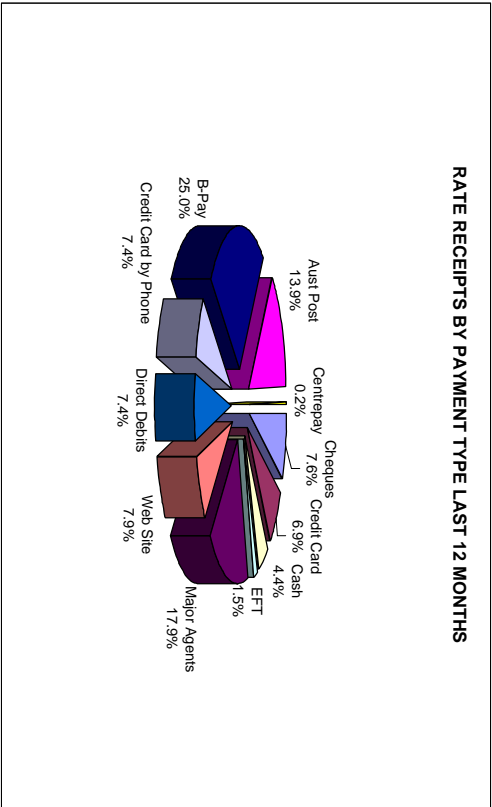


as at 31st January 2010

2. Trust Account	\$	Institution	Value	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Days to Maturity
Cash at Bank						
Short Term Investments	\$638,369.15	COMMONWEALTH n/a	\$638,369.15 \$0.00	n/a n/a	n/a n/a	n/a n/a
Total Trust Funds	\$638,369.15					



FINANCE DEPARTMENT
SERVICE LEVEL REPORT TO COUNCIL
FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2010



15.5 Status of Grants Funding Application

Report No.10TC0009 BD:ah (23/01/10) Common No. 1572185

Report Number 10TC0009 BD:ah attached

ENCL: YES

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL
REPORT

DATE: 23/02/10

TO: 2ND ORDINARY COUNCIL / OPEN

APPROVED: BD

FROM: MANAGER STRATEGY & OUTCOMES

APPROVED: AH

REPORT NO: 10TC0009

APPROVED:

COMMON NO: 1572185

SUBJECT: STATUS OF GRANT FUNDING APPLICATIONS

ITEM NO: 15.5**SYNOPSIS:**

The following report provides an update on the status of all current grant applications that Council has recently applied for including the purpose of the grant.

GENERAL:

Successfully obtaining grant funding is an important function for Council. Sourcing additional funding provides Council a mechanism for delivering key projects that are aligned to achieving our Evolving Darwin, Towards 2020 Strategic Plan. Without this additional source of revenue many of these initiatives could not be completed within Council's approved budget.

As at 2 Feb 2010, Darwin City Council has been successful in obtaining a total of \$13,318,834 in grant funding (17 projects) with a further \$4,044,000 (5 projects) waiting to be assessed, totalling \$17,362,834.

Where possible, a specific efforts are made to partner with our neighbouring Councils, other Territory Government agencies or community groups when applying for grant funding.

Many of the projects selected for grant applications are as a result of a previous Council decision. Where it is a new project (not previously scoped by Council), Elected Members are made aware either through individual Council resolutions or specific Council reports are presented to Council for endorsement prior to submitting the application. However, this process is not always practical due to the very short times provided for submitting these applications.

The purpose of this report is to provide the Elected Members with a progress report on the status of all current grant applications (see **Attachment A**).

PAGE: 2
 REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0009
 SUBJECT: STATUS OF GRANT FUNDING APPLICATIONS

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The success rate of obtaining grant funding should outweigh the costs (staff time) of applying for the grants. Any grant applications submitted that include a Darwin City Council financial contribution are sourced from the existing budget.

EVOLVING DARWIN, TOWARDS 2020 IMPLICATIONS:

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Strategies of the Darwin City Council 2008 – 2012 as outlined in the 'Evolving Darwin Strategic Directions: Towards 2020 and Beyond':-

Goal

7 Demonstrate Effective, Open and Responsible Governance

Outcome

7.1 Effective Governance

Key Strategies

7.1.3 Manage Council's affairs based on a sustainable financial strategy.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

Positive – more works completed on the ground without any additional financial burden on rate payers.

COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

DELEGATION:

Nil

CONSULTATION:

N/A

PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:

N/A

APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE

N/A

PAGE: 3
REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0009
SUBJECT: STATUS OF GRANT FUNDING APPLICATIONS

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. THAT Report Number 10TC0009 entitled Status of Grant Funding Applications, be received and noted.

ANNE HAMMOND
MANAGER STRATEGY AND OUTCOMES

BRENDAN DOWD
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Any queries on this report may be directed to Anne Hammond on 88930 0531 or
a.hammond@darwin.nt.gov.au

REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0009
SUBJECT: STATUS OF GRANT FUNDING APPLICATIONS

Successful Applications							
Project Title	Project Description	Funding Agency	Funding \$	Council's Contribution	Other funding partners	Date submitted	Comments
Roads to Recovery	To upgrade roads in and around Darwin with the assistance of commonwealth funding	Dept of Infrastructure, Transport,	\$3,340,625	Nil			\$668k will be received in April 2010, with the remainder being paid over the next 5 years.
Auslink blackspot project	To improve safety measures by upgrading current black spot areas around Darwin which have been identified as potential crash locations (Woolner road).	Regional Development & Local Government Aust Govt	\$1,672,000	\$1,208,000		06/03/2009	Council has secured funding from the Australian government.
General Purpose Funding	General Purpose Funding	Australian Government through the	\$1,470,173	Nil		N/A	The Australian Government provides all States and Territories with general financial assistance for local government. Through the Northern Territory Grants Commission the
Local Roads Funding	General purpose funding for road works throughout the municipality	Northern Territory Grants	\$1,663,882	Nil		N/A	
Zero Toads - Community Control of Invasive Cane toads in Darwin	Continuation of cane toad control strategies to protect biodiversity and natural icons, protect critical aquatic habitats and continue to foster community skills, knowledge and engagement.	Caring for Our Country, Dept of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts, Aust Govt	\$86,418	\$39,500	\$41,680 Frog Watch (North)	30/06/2008	Project is complete
Protecting the primary dunes of Mindil Beach	Protect and enhance the primary dune system at Mindil Beach through weed removal, erecting fences, managing access to the beach and holding a community event to revegetate the area.	Caring for Our Country, Dept of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts, Aust Govt	\$45,436	\$28,830	\$8,747 Larrakia Nation \$2,378 Greening Australia \$909 Mindil Beach Sunset Markets	25/07/2008	Project is complete

REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0009
SUBJECT: STATUS OF GRANT FUNDING APPLICATIONS

Successful Applications								
Project Title	Project Description	Funding Agency	Funding \$	Council's Contribution	Other funding partners		Date submitted	Comments
Various Projects	Revised - Duke St Park, Pine Log Fencing Replacement, Trower Road Landscaping – Stage 3, Foreshore Fencing and Pathways through Parks	Dept of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development & Local Government Aust Govt	\$313,000	Nil	N/A		30/01/2009	All Councils received once off funding based on a specific calculated methodology. This was orginally the DEC lift project, however due to circumstances, this has changed to the 5 projects. All projects were completed by 30/09/2009.
City Centre Revitalisation Project	Specifically the project will include hard and soft landscaping, street furniture, architectural structures, public art, signage and services in key areas throughout the CBD.		\$3,600,000	\$1,150,000 + \$75,518 in-kind contribution (Project Mgmt)	\$1,750,000	Dept of Planning & Infrastructure (NTG)	06/03/2009	Announced 07/05/09. \$4,900,000 applied for. Rec'd \$3,600,000
					\$500,00	Private Developer		
Gardens Road Cemetery Site Restoration	Undertake the upgrade of the drainage infrastructure in the South East corner of the cemetery where pooling of water occurs each wet season .	Heritage Branch, Dept of Natural Resources, Environment, the Arts and Sport, NTG	\$20,000	\$10,000	N/A		01/05/2009	Council applied for \$30k and was advised on 12/08/09 that we were successful in obtaining \$20k of grant funding. Shortfall can be found within existing budgets.
Pioneer Cemetery Restoration Works	Headstone and grave site restoration	Heritage Branch, Dept of Natural Resources, Environment, the Arts and Sport, NTG	\$10,000	\$0	N/A		01/05/2009	Council applied for \$30k, however were only successful in receiving \$10K.
Public Art Professional Development Program	Mentorship which will deliver Public Art outcomes - linked with the commission of new Public Art for the The Mall	Dept of Natural Resources, Environment, The Arts and Sport	\$10,000	\$0				

REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0009
SUBJECT: STATUS OF GRANT FUNDING APPLICATIONS

Successful Applications							
Project Title	Project Description	Funding Agency	Funding \$	Council's Contribution	Other funding partners	Date submitted	Comments
Sports and Recreation Grants Program	A feasibility study into the Parap Recreation Area Masterplan	Depart of Sports and Rec	\$32,500	\$32,500		25/09/2009	There was no grant application as such, but a request in writing from John to sport and recreation.
Historical Fiction Writing Workshop	To assist with the workshop activities to be held as part of Seniors Month	Minister for Senior Territorians	\$800		N/A		Funding advice received on 19/06/09
Connecting Darwin: Building New Cycle Linkages	This project will deliver the installation of new bike pods, new signage and the development of new bikes paths connecting key points within Darwin	Cycle Path Fund, Dept of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development & Local Govt, Aust Govt	\$1,050,000	\$1,160,000	N/A	22/05/2009	Council applied for \$1.16m (GST inclusive), the \$1.05m received is the full amount minus the GST component.
Pods and Vods Program	To conduct a series of workshops on creating vodcasts and podcasts	Office of Youth Affairs	\$2,000			31/08/2009	
Read em the Riot Act Program	Youth quiz night to follow on from previous year	Office of Youth Affairs	\$2,000			31/08/2009	
The BIG GIG	Funding to cover wages, venue hire, hire of equipment and posters for the staging of the BIG GIG event.	Dept of Health & Families (NTG)	\$2,000	\$15,000		13/11/2009	
TOTALS	17 PROJECTS		\$13,318,834	\$2,478,830	\$2,302,714		

REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0009
SUBJECT: STATUS OF GRANT FUNDING APPLICATIONS

Applications currently being assessed							
Project Title	Project Description	Funding Agency	Funding \$	Council's Contribution	Other funding partners	Date submitted	Comments
Strategic Coastal Management Plan for the Darwin Harbour region	The project is to seek expert assistance to develop a long term, comprehensive "Strategic Coastal Management Plan for the Darwin Harbour region.	Special Purpose Grant, Dept of Local Govt & Housing, NTG	\$175,000	\$0	N/A	08/05/2009	Did not receive funding from DLGH's 2008/09 budget. Advised on 06/08/09 that a recommendation RE: this application will be forwarded to the Minister "within the next few working days" for funding from the 2009/2010 budget.
Rockin the Suburbs	Rockin the Suburbs is a mobil service that can go directly into the community and provide drug and alcohol free entertainment and a community connection point for young people.	Dept of Health and Ageing	\$250,000	\$27,000	Corrugated \$4,400 Iron Youth Arts \$7,400 Music NT \$8,400 Happy Yess \$5,072 Mission Australia	21/09/2009	Applications will be assessed in Nov 2009 with announcements made in Dec 2009. Funding Agreements will be executed early 2010.
Respectful Relationships	Mobile youth service	FaCHSIA	\$400,000			15/10/2009	
Darwin: Leading the Way for Sustainability	Funding to cover consultants to update the Building Energy Audit and the subsequent implementation of a range of energy efficiency activities on Council owned facilities (inc installation of solar panels to China Town car park) plus consultancies and ensuing implementation of water efficiency & storage activities.	Dept of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development & Local Govt Aust Govt	\$3,100,000	\$400,000		15/01/2010	Expecting a decision by May 2010.

REPORT NUMBER: 10TC0009
SUBJECT: STATUS OF GRANT FUNDING APPLICATIONS

Unsuccessful Applications							
Project Title	Project Description	Funding Agency	Funding \$	Council's Contribution	Other funding partners	Date submitted	Comments
Youth Precinct Development	Completion of Detailed Design Building Plans for the proposed Youth Precinct	Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 Attorney-General's Dept, Aust Govt	\$500,000	In kind support through project management, promotional and marketing activities and printing costs	N/A	20/03/2009	The Dept have advised that it is at the Minister's discretion when successful applications will be announced -may not be for a number of months as over 600 applications were received.
Strategic Coastal Management Plan for the Darwin Harbour region	To have all Council operations assessed to understand future impacts on our infrastructure and services and also engaging expert assistance to develop a long term, comprehensive "Strategic Coastal Management Plan for the Darwin Harbour region.	Local Adaptation Pathway Program Dept of Climate Change, Aust Govt	\$140,000	\$30,000	\$10,000 Palmerston City Council	25/02/2009	Rec'd notice on 24/06/09 that DCC was unsuccessful. Program rec'd 100 applications, priority was given to councils in regional or remote settings. The Coastal Management Plan has been reapplied for under the DLGH Special Purpose Grant.
People and Place: Protecting Remnant Coastal Habitats for the Darwin Area	Engage Larrakia Nation to undertake biodiversity surveys and recording of species; habitat restoration, revegetation, weed and feral animal control, protection and stabilisation of sand dunes and protect heritage values of the area.	Working on Country, Dept of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts, Aust Govt	\$3,192,000	In kind support through project management and mentoring	N/A	01/05/2009	Notification received on 10/07/09
Restoring the Past for the Future	Project will deliver restoration works to Travellers Walk ie restoring the steps, public art, lighting	Heritage Projects (Jobs Fund), Dept of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts, Aust Govt	\$300,000	\$46,350	N/A	22/05/2009	Timeframes not yet available for announcement of successful projects
Celebrating Darwin's WWII History	Irrigation & greening of East Point, Restoration of gunn turrets, fencing, exceloo, way point and interpretive signage	Heritage Projects (Jobs Fund), Dept of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts, Aust Govt	\$966,193	\$20,000	TBA	22/05/2009	Timeframes not yet available for announcement of successful projects
TOTALS	5 PROJECTS		\$5,098,193	\$96,350	\$10,000		

16 INFORMATION ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**16.1 Call for Nominations for the NT Weeds Advisory Committee (LGANT)**

Document No. 1706136 (30/11/09) Common No. 1706136

- A. THAT the incoming Email from the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT), regarding nominations for the NT Weeds Advisory Committee, Document Number 1706136, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council advise LGANT that Alderman has been nominated by Council for the position on the NT Weeds Advisory Committee.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

NOMINATION FORM

NT Weeds Advisory Committee

COUNCIL NAME:

1. Agreement to be nominated

I, _____ agree to be nominated as a delegate to the
NT Weeds Advisory Committee.

Signature:

Dated this _____ day of _____ 2008.

2. Council Confirmation of Nomination

I, _____ the Chief Executive Officer

hereby confirm that _____

was approved by resolution of Council to be nominated as delegate to the NT Weeds
Advisory Committee at a meeting held on _____ / _____ /2009.

Signature:

Dated this _____ day of _____ 2009.

Northern Territory Weed Advisory Committee

WEEDS MANAGEMENT ACT 2001

17. Functions of weed advisory committees

The functions of a weed advisory committee are –

- (a) to develop draft weed management plans in consultation with appropriate persons, groups or organisations, and with persons whose land may be affected by a declared weed infestation;
- (b) to advise the Minister on the progress of weed management in the region, district, catchment area or the specific purpose for which it was established; and
- (c) to advise the Minister on other matters as the Minister may request from time to time.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

- * Develop draft weed management plans in consultation with the community and affected land managers
- * Advise the Minister on the progress of weed management issues throughout the NT
- * Advise the Minister on other matters as the Minister may request from time to time
- * Provide support for the enforcement of legislation should the Department be required to take such action
- * Provide advice and recommendations in regard to weed declarations
- * Provide community based forums for strategic management of weeds on a regional basis
- * Aid in the formulation and updating of the relevant Regional Weed Strategy.

MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA

- * Membership will include a balanced representation of interested persons with personal and professional qualifications and experience in order to contribute to the functions of the Committee
- * Represents an industry or stakeholder group
- * Demonstrate established networks for information dissemination
- * Experience and/or involvement with land or weed management for various land tenures in the NT
- * Bring unique knowledge and skills to the weed management planning process
- * Inform, education, and involve stakeholders through frequent contact
- * Synthesize input from stakeholder groups and effectively represent their viewpoints and interests over own personal opinions
- * Demonstrate a genuine desire and ability to collaborate with others who may have competing interests or opposing viewpoints
- * Seek to understand the perspectives and interests of other stakeholders
- * Demonstrated ability to be open to various perspectives on weed management
- * Support departmental actions for the enforcement of legislation
- * Without financial or legal conflict of interest
- * Able to commit to the term of office and activities
- * Time commitment of at least 8 working days per year for meetings, and additional time allotted for tasks related to committee work, such as reading, communication, responding to and representing committee issues and recommendations to stakeholder groups.
- * Committee members may also be asked to serve on committee subcommittees that are formed to work on issues and tasks before the Committee.
- * Initial appointments may be staggered at one, two and three years in order to ensure continuity of committee membership
- * Members may be eligible for reappointment
- * The Committee will review its membership regularly in order to ensure adequate representation of library issues and constituencies
- * Independent Chair may be nominated or Committee will nominate a Chair for the Minister's approval
- * A quorum would be 10+1 (Chair).



Northern Territory Weed Advisory Committee

Information for Member's profile

Northern Territory Weed Advisory Committee

Section 16 of the *Weeds Management Act* (the Act) provides for the establishment of Weed Advisory Committees to advise the Minister on a range of weed issues; on the progress of weed management plans in a region, district, catchment area; and to develop weed management plans in consultation with key stakeholder groups and those people whose land may be affected by a declared weed infestation.

In 2008 the Minister approved the establishment of the Northern Territory Weed Advisory Committee to provide high level advice on the full range of weed-related matters impacting, or with the potential to impact, on land throughout the Northern Territory (NT). This Committee will be tasked with fostering acceptance of weed management plans and promoting integrated best practice weed control throughout industry and the wider community. The Committee will consist of industry and stakeholder representatives with appropriate expertise and Territory-wide interests such as the Department of Defence, NT Cattlemen's Association and Local Government, the horticulture, nursery, and agricultural industries and environmental groups.

To support the activities of the NT Committee, a number of Regional Reference Groups will also be established and will comprise hands-on land managers, land owners and other stakeholders with an interest and expertise in local weed management issues. Regional Reference Groups are non-statutory bodies and are not subject to remuneration.

Terms of Reference

The Northern Territory Weed Advisory Committee will comprise a maximum of 12 members and a Chair, appointed by the Minister for Natural Resources, Environment and Heritage.

The Committee will:

- develop draft weed management plans in consultation with the community and affected land managers;
- advise the Minister on the progress of weed management issues throughout the NT and on other matters as the Minister may request from time to time;
- provide advice and recommendations in regard to proposed weed declarations;
- provide community based forums for strategic management of weeds on a regional basis; and
- Review the Northern Territory Weed Strategy.

A quorum will consist of 7 members. Member substitutions are welcome; however substitute members are not entitled to vote. Pursuant to section 18 of the *Weeds Management Act*, the Chair has, in addition to his or her deliberative vote, a casting vote in the event of an equality of votes.

The Committee will

- review its membership regularly to ensure adequate representation of stakeholder groups; and
- establish operating procedures for the Committee at the earliest opportunity.

Remuneration of members

The Northern Territory Weed Advisory Committee is recognised as a Statutory Committee under the *Assembly Members and Statutory Officers (Remuneration and Other Entitlements) Act*.

Members will be remunerated at a rate of \$240 (Chair) and \$180 (Member) per day for meetings in accordance with that Act. Reasonable travel expenses will also be reimbursed.

Membership criteria

Membership will include a balanced representation of interested persons with personal and professional qualifications and experience in order to contribute to the functions of the Committee.

Members will:

- bring experience and/or involvement with land or weed management for various land tenures in the Northern Territory or represent a Territory-wide industry or stakeholder group;
- bring unique knowledge and skills to the weed management planning process;
- demonstrate established networks for information dissemination;
- inform, educate and involve stakeholders through frequent contact;
- synthesize input from stakeholder groups and effectively represent their viewpoints and interests over own personal opinions;
- demonstrate a genuine desire and ability to collaborate with others who may have competing interests or opposing viewpoints; and
- seek to understand the perspectives and interests of other stakeholders.

Term of appointment

Members will be appointed for a term of 3 years and will be eligible for reappointment.

Members will be required to commit to a minimum of 4 working days per year for quarterly meetings in addition to time spent liaising with and seeking the viewpoints of relevant industry groups.

Member details for appointment to the Northern Territory Weed Advisory Committee

The information on these forms is collected for the primary purpose of preparing member profiles. The information may also be used for a related secondary purpose in circumstances where you would reasonably expect such use or disclosure. These include processing your entitlements; corresponding with you; complying with legislative reporting requirements; attending to administrative matters; preparing statistical analyses; and use the information as otherwise permitted by the privacy laws.

1. Group nominating member

2. Personal details

Full Name:

Residential Address:

Postal Address:

BH Phone: Fax:

Email:

Drivers Licence: Yes / No Licence number:

3. Employment details

3.1 Are you currently employed by the NT Government? Yes / No

3.2 If so, by whom and in what capacity:

.....

.....

.....

3.3 List any NT Government Boards and Committees of which you are a member:

Committee/Board name:	Term of Appointment:	Remunerated: Yes / No
		YES / NO
		YES / NO
		YES / NO
		YES / NO

4. Industry involvement

4.1 Detail the industry and/or stakeholder groups you represent:

.....

.....

.....

4.2 What are your established networks for information dissemination?

.....

.....

.....

4.3 How will you inform, educate and involve stakeholders and how you will be able to synthesise the input from stakeholder groups and effectively represent their viewpoints and interest over your own personal opinions?

.....

.....

.....

5. Land management experience

5.1 What is your experience and/or involvement with land management or weed management for various land tenures in the NT?

.....

.....

.....

5.2 What knowledge and skills do you bring to the weed management planning process?

.....

.....

.....

Information collected on this form will be used for the purposes as stated. In collecting this information the Weed Management Branch adheres to Department of Natural Resources, Environment, the Arts and Sport Privacy Statement and with the relevant provisions of the *Information Act*. The Privacy Statement can be found at www.nretas.nt.gov.au.

Strictly confidential

Registration of personal interests form

To: **Northern Territory Weed Advisory Committee**

Particulars of my personal pecuniary and other relevant interest of which I am aware are set out in the following form.

Should my appointment to this Committee be successful, I undertake to advise you should a situation arise where an interest of mine of which I am aware, whether that interest is pecuniary or otherwise, conflicts, or may reasonably be thought to conflict, with my public duty.

.....
Name (block letters)

.....
Signature

Date: / /

1. Directorship in Companies

In regard to any directorships, whether remunerated or not:

1.1 Name of Company (including activities of Company – whether public or private):

.....
.....
.....

1.2 Partnerships etc. (Nature of Operations including nature of Business Interest)

.....
.....
.....

1.3 Other Interests including membership of office holding of an organisation other than an industrial or professional organisation.

.....
.....
.....

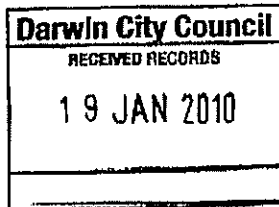
Strictly Confidential

16 INFORMATION ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**16.2 BHP Billiton's Proposed Use of Port of Darwin**

Document No. 1725485 (15/01/10) Common No. 1464638

THAT the incoming response Letter from the NT Government, Acting Chief Minister, Ms Delia Lawrie dated 15 January 2010, regarding BHP Billiton's proposed use of the Port of Darwin to export product from the Olympic Dam Mine Expansion, Document Number 1725485, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)



ACTING CHIEF MINISTER

Parliament House
State Square
Darwin NT 0800
chief.minister@nt.gov.au

GPO Box 3146
Darwin NT 0801
Telephone: (08) 8901 4000
Facsimile: (08) 8901 4099

The Right Worshipful the Lord Mayor of Darwin
Mr Graeme Sawyer
Darwin City Council
GPO Box 84
DARWIN NT 0801

Dear Lord Mayor

Thank you for your letter of 2 October 2009 to the Chief Minister and the Minister for Natural Resources, Environment, the Arts and Sport regarding BHP Billiton's proposed use of the Port of Darwin to export product from the Olympic Dam Mine Expansion. Your concerns about the potential cumulative impacts to Darwin Harbour from this project are noted, as is the urgency with which you regard the requirement for an overall strategic approach to the management of the Darwin Harbour region.


I am advised that BHP Billiton is currently preparing a Supplement to the draft Impact Statement (EIS) for its Olympic Dam Mine Expansion which will attempt to address the issues expressed in Darwin City Council's submission to the draft EIS. While BHP Billiton may satisfy you to some extent with its responses to cumulative impact issues, Government remains largely accountable for the strategic direction in which development of the region will occur, and to this end I mention a number of relevant initiatives.

As you will be aware, Government is currently reviewing the Strategic Framework for Darwin Harbour prepared by the Darwin Harbour Advisory Committee (DHAC). Although the framework is yet to be endorsed, it potentially provides a very solid base from which we can work to ensure that Darwin Harbour is developed and managed sustainably into the future. DHAC has already developed Darwin Harbour Region Report Cards which show that the vast majority of the Harbour is in excellent health. I am also informed that an Integrated Monitoring and Research Program is being developed for the Harbour.

Additionally, the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) is reviewing the regulatory frameworks that support the sustainable development of Darwin Harbour and I look forward to reviewing advice from the EPA on the management mechanisms required to achieve sustainable outcomes in the region.

I am confident that 2010 will see an endorsed framework for the strategic management of the Darwin Harbour region.

Yours sincerely



DELIA LAWRIE

15.1.10

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, 16 March 2010, at 5.00 p.m. (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Council Chambers, 1st Floor, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

21 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

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

DECISION NO.20\() (23/02/10)

22 ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING (MEDIA LIAISON)