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## CITY OF DARWIN

### COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

**MONDAY, 22 OCTOBER 2012**

MEMBERS: Member G I Galton (Chairman); The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor, Ms K M Fong Lim; Member R M Knox; Member A R Mitchell; Member R Want de Rowe.

OFFICERS: Chief Executive Officer, Mr B Dowd; General Manager Community & Cultural Services, Mr J Banks; Executive Manager, Mr M Blackburn; Manager Community Development, Ms K Hearn; Executive Officer, Ms A Smit.

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### ***Committee's Responsibilities***

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| * Recreation & Leisure   | * Animal Management            |
| * Children & Youth   | * Inspectorial Services        |
| * Arts and Culture   | * Parking Control              |
| * Community Services & Support   | * Public Libraries             |
| * Human Services   | * Recreation                   |
| * Community Use of Halls, Ovals, Playing Fields, Public Pools and other Council Facilities | * Social Planning and Advocacy |
| * Sister Cities Management Community Committee's   | * Darwin Entertainment Centre  |

*THAT effective as of 16 April 2012 Council, pursuant to Section 32 (2)(b) of the Local Government Act 2008 hereby delegates to the Community & Cultural Services Committee the power to make recommendations to Council and decisions relating to Community & Cultural matters within the approved budget.*

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Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting – Monday, 22 October, 2012

## 1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

## 2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

### 2.1 Apologies

### 2.2 Leave of Absence Granted

- A. THAT it be noted that The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor, Ms K M Fong Lim is an apology due to a Leave of Absence being previously granted on 16 October 2012 for the period 21 October 2012 to 24 October 2012.
- B. THAT it be noted that Member R Want de Rowe is an apology due to a Leave of Absence being previously granted on 11 September 2012 for the period 20 October 2012 to 28 October 2012.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/10/12)

## 3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

## 4 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Nil



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## 5 WITHDRAWAL OF ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

### COMMITTEE'S DECISION

THAT the Committee resolve under delegated authority that all Information Items and Officers Reports to the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 22 October, 2012, be received and all recommendations contained therein be adopted by general consent with the exception of Item Number .....

DECISION NO.20\() (22/10/12)

## 6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES PERTAINING TO THE PREVIOUS COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES MEETING

### COMMITTEE'S DECISION

THAT the Committee resolve that the minutes of the previous Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 17 September 2012 tabled by the Chairman, be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/10/12)

## 7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES PERTAINING TO THE PREVIOUS COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES MEETING

### 7.1 Business Arising

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## 8 INFORMATION ITEMS

### 8.1 Darwin Entertainment Centre 2011/2012 Third Quarter Funding Reports January to March 2012 & Fourth Quarter Funding Reports April to June 2012

Document Number 2344524 (22/10/12) Common No. 2118668

*Attachment A and B are distributed as a separate attachment (USB stick)*

### COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT the incoming Darwin Entertainment Centre 2011/2012 Third Quarter Funding Reports January to March 2012 (**Attachment A**), Document Number 2344524, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the incoming Darwin Entertainment Centre 2011/2012 Fourth Quarter Funding Reports April to June 2012 (**Attachment B**), Document Number 2344524, be received and noted.

**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE/OPEN**
**AGENDA ITEM: 9.1**
**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TEAM UPDATE - SEPTEMBER 2012**
**REPORT No.: 12C0076 KH:es      COMMON No.: 1733166**
**DATE: 22/10/2012**
**Presenter:            Manager Community Development, Katie Hearn**
**Approved:            General Manager Community & Cultural Services, John Banks**
**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of activities within the Cultural & Community Services portfolio and selected projects. Each Officer within the Community Development Team has prepared their own sections to appraise Council of operational activities during September 2012.

**LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

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**

5      Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

**Outcome**

5.1    Facilitate community access and inclusion

**Key Strategies**

5.1.1   Create more opportunities for the community to access services and facilities

**KEY ISSUES**

- Disability Services
- Youth Services
- Arts and Cultural
- Family and Children's Services
- Sister Cities

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

That it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 12C0076 KH:es entitled, Community Development Team Update - September 2012, be received and noted.

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## **BACKGROUND**

Monthly activity reports are provided to appraise Council of operational activities across the key portfolios.

## **DISCUSSION**

### **Community Services (CSO)**

The Community Services Officer has carriage of disability services, community events, community grants, seniors and community development activities.

### **Disability Awareness Week 2012**

Council sponsors and hosts Disability Awareness Week (DAW) annually. Events and activities for the week are planned by the DAW Coordinating Committee which comprises of representatives from approximately 20 community organisations and government agencies as well as community members.

DAW 2012 was celebrated from Saturday 1 September to Saturday 8 September with the theme *Our Lives, Our Choices*. Activities held throughout the week aimed to provide information about local disability services, raise public awareness on disability issues and to acknowledge and celebrate the contributions that Territorians with disability make to the community.

Ambassadors for DAW 2012 were six inspiring local people; Peter Mahony, Caitlyn Strathie, Alex McInnes, Reuben Dau, Rebecca Hell and Raymond Roach. The Ambassadors carried out media promotion for DAW, attended events and provided insight into living with disability. Peter Mahony attended a lunch held by the staff of the Department of Health and Ageing and spoke of his experiences to the staff who were very appreciative of his attendance and insight.

Information regarding DAW 2012 was available on Council's website and events were advertised via local media outlets. Promotional posters and flyers were distributed via Council's Customer Services section and staff email networks. Radio Larrakia provided extensive promotion of DAW at no cost and also provided live crossovers to the Happiness and Wellbeing Market which proved to be an effective promotional tool to raise awareness and disseminate information regarding local disability services.

Attendance at events was high and positive feedback has been received from participating organisations as well as from community members. A debrief meeting was held in September with the DAW Coordinating Committee to discuss the effectiveness of each event and ideas for DAW 2013. Below is a brief outline of each event and the feedback received;

<b>DATE AND TIME</b>	<b>EVENT DETAILS</b>	<b>NO. OF ATTENDEES</b>
Monday 3 September 5.30pm – 7pm	<b>Disability Awareness Week 2012 Official Opening</b> Government House Entertainment provided by Natalie Pellegrino.	110

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DATE AND TIME	EVENT DETAILS	NO. OF ATTENDEES
	<p>A music film clip was presented by Carpentaria Disability Services and the Sing Song Signers performed.</p> <p>The Honourable Sally Thomas and Acting Lord Mayor Bob Elix presented certificates to the six Ambassadors.</p> <p>Refreshments provided by Government House.</p> <p><b>Feedback:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Very positive feedback for this event, great evening with excellent attendance.</li> <li>-Fantastic venue, recommended to use again if possible.</li> </ul> <p>Event facilitated by the City of Darwin.</p>	
<p>Tuesday 4 September 7.00am to 9.00am</p>	<p><b>DAW Darwin Business Breakfast</b>          Darwin Convention Centre          Guest Speaker: Hon Jeff Kennett</p> <p><b>Feedback:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Very successful event, many comments received that it was extremely informative. High praise for Jeff Kennett as the guest speaker and also for the members of the panel.</li> <li>-National Disability Services (NDS) commented that it was difficult to engage businesses to attend, a lot of tickets were sold to workers in the sector. NDS have now built up a good contacts base for businesses which they will use next year to target businesses earlier.</li> </ul> <p>Event facilitated by National Disability Services NT and Charles Darwin University.</p>	<p>70</p>
<p>Monday 3, Tuesday 4, Thursday 6 September</p>	<p><b>Bowerbird Festival</b>          Art, Health &amp; Wellbeing Session, Casuarina Baptist Hall.          Drumming for Wellbeing, Casuarina Baptist Hall.          Open Day, The Patch.</p> <p><b>Feedback:</b></p> <p>Gerald Grady from Carpentaria Disability Services expressed thanks for the support of the events, they were well attended and great fun was had by clients and staff.</p> <p>Event facilitated by Carpentaria Disability Services Lifestyle Options.</p>	<p>120</p>

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DATE AND TIME	EVENT DETAILS	NO. OF ATTENDEES
Tuesday 4 September 11.00am to 12.00pm	<p><b>Art Exhibition - Official Opening</b>            Community Art Space, Civic Centre, Darwin            Art work was provided by Henbury School, Namarluk School, Total Recreation, Life Without Barriers and TEMCO on behalf of Carers NT.            Free Entry.            Entertainment and refreshments provided.</p> <p><b>Feedback:</b>            The entertainment was a great choice for the event. Attendees enjoyed the Opening.</p> <p>Event facilitated by City of Darwin.</p>	20
Wednesday 5 September 10.00am to 2.00pm	<p><b>Happiness &amp; Wellbeing Market</b>            Raintree Park, Darwin            Entertainment included live DJ and Henbury School Choir and Drumming Group.            Display stalls provided by 18 local community organisations. Art and craft for sale.            An art mandala was completed which community members could participate in.            Live crossovers by Radio Larrakia.            Free Entry and barbeque lunch.</p> <p><b>Feedback:</b>            -Great atmosphere, very vibrant and a lot of activity.            -Service providers found it very valuable as there was high interest from the public so they engaged with a lot of people walking past.            -Suggestions for next year; coordinate radio interviews, celebrity wheelchair races.</p> <p>Event facilitated by City of Darwin.</p>	400
Thursday 6 September 11.00am to 2.00pm	<p><b>Rehabilitation Services Open Day</b>            Building 15, Royal Darwin Hospital            Displays and information sessions.            Refreshments supplied.            Free Entry.</p> <p><b>Feedback:</b>            The event was not as well attended as previous years. It was thought that this could be due to a clash with the event happening at The Patch. Also, the Deckchair Cinema event was on that night, so there was a lot happening.</p>	20

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DATE AND TIME	EVENT DETAILS	NO. OF ATTENDEES
	Event facilitated by Rehabilitation Services.	
Thursday 6 September 6.30pm to 10.30pm	<b>Deckchair Cinema Movie Night</b> Featuring <i>The Pirates! Band of Misfits</i> Short films by Back to Back Theatre were played before and after the main film as part of the Bowerbird Festival. Free Entry with food available for purchase.  <b>Feedback:</b> Numbers were down from last year. It was identified promotion was the most likely cause of this. Ideas for next year were to create a separate flyer for the Deckchair event, to put a notice in school newsletters and to utilise social media.  Event facilitated by City of Darwin.	200
Friday 7 September 11.00am – 1.00pm	<b>Know Your Rights Forum</b> Carers NT, Bayview A facilitated panel/audience discussion on how to make rights work for you.  <b>Feedback:</b> The forum had great discussion, particularly due to the format of having scenarios as a basis for discussion. A suggestion was made to hold it in the CDU Auditorium next year to get more involvement from the public.  Event facilitated by Health and Community Services Complaints Commission	40
23 August to 21 September Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm	<b>Art Exhibition</b> Community Art Space, Civic Centre Display of artwork by local artists. Free Entry.  Event facilitated by City of Darwin.	600
1 September to 8 September	<b>DAW Ambassadors Photographic Project</b> The six Ambassadors were given a camera to use throughout the week at the different events they attended. The cameras were collected by Youthworx who are collating the photographs to create an exhibition.	6

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### **Community Grants**

City of Darwin's Community Grants Program provides up to \$100,000 of funding per year for projects or events that directly benefit the Darwin community. The funds are distributed in two funding rounds each year.

The second round of the 2012/13 Community Grants program is now open. Submissions are currently being invited for funding of projects occurring in the first half of 2013 (1 January 2013 – 30 June 2013). Applications for funding up to \$10,000 will be assessed and applications close on Friday 19 October. Advertisements inviting applications appeared in local newspapers and have been distributed via staff email networks. Program guidelines and application forms are available from Council's website, via email to [communitygrants@darwin.nt.gov.au](mailto:communitygrants@darwin.nt.gov.au) or by contacting CSO on phone number 8930 0645.

### **Disability Advisory Committee (DAC)**

A recommendation was made at the DAC meeting on 23 August for Council to contribute \$1000 to the *Every Australian Counts* campaign for the National Disability Insurance Scheme. This recommendation was endorsed by Council on 25 September 2012.

NT Government commenced work on the Rapid Creek Fishing Platform at the start of September, this is a project which DAC has lobbied for over a long period of time.

### **Youth Projects**

The Youth Projects section facilitates involvement of young people in Council's processes and decision making, creates and hosts youth exclusive events and activities in partnership with young people, hosts a Youth Services trainee position, advocates for the needs of young people and coordinates youth specific community information tools.

### **GRINDonline**

The GRINDonline team continued regular meetings in September. The GRINDonline team created numerous group posts in September in contrast to individual articles. Specifically a short film, "Three Big Questions" and a creative writing story "A Dark Night." The GRINDonline team have begun preparations for hosting a cartooning workshops with a former Mambo artist, Jeff Raglus. These workshops will be designed for young artists and will form the basis for art work to be used on Council's youth trailers. The GRIND website can be viewed at [www.grindonline.com.au](http://www.grindonline.com.au)

### **Youth Advisory Group (YAG)**

The YAG continued regular meetings in September. Members provided advice and input into the style and nature of the cartooning workshops to be held in October 2012. YAG provided feedback to the Northern Territory Early Intervention Pilot Program on mechanisms for connecting with and providing support for young people with regard to alcohol and other drugs. The group started initial planning sessions for Youth Week 2013.



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### **The Gig Gear**

The GIG GEAR was accessed three times during September. The community groups that accessed the equipment were Corrugated Iron Youth Arts, The Darwin Region indigenous Suicide Prevention Network and the Northern Territory AIDS and Hepatitis Council.

### **Networking**

YSO attended the September Darwin meeting. YSO met with YSO of the City of Palmerston.

### **Arts & Cultural Development**

#### **Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee (ACDAC)**

The Committee's fourth meeting for the year was held on 25 September 2012. A large number of applications for committee membership have been received via the online nomination form. Interviews will be held in October. Up to 8 positions are currently available.

#### **Civic Park Cultural Usage Plan**

Consultant Renai Grace attended the ACDAC meeting on 25 September 2012 to present the Civic Park Cultural Usage Plan (final draft version), which presents a vision for improving the amenity and invigorating cultural usage of Civic Park through an upgrade of infrastructure and landscaping and a program of activities. Feedback provided by the committee will be incorporated in the final document.

#### **Public Art – Eye of the Explorer**

Technical advice is being sought regarding long-term maintenance of the artwork.

#### **Public Art – HMS Beagle Ship Bell Chime**

Maintenance work was carried out in October 2012 including refitting of stainless steel plates under the bells, and repainting of the bird sculptures which had faded significantly. A call for Expressions of Interest from composers wishing to write a new work for the bells closes on 31 October 2012 and it is anticipated that a number of new works will be commissioned over the next 12 months.

#### **Public Art – Chime Conservatory (outside Smith Street carpark)**

Maintenance work will be carried out on the artwork in the second half of 2012 including repainting of the conservatory structure and retrofitting of new bell-ringing mechanisms so that members of the public will be able to play the bells.

#### **Poster Facilities in the Mall**

Council has endorsed the development of two dedicated poster facilities in the Mall, integrated with current shade structures, to provide for the promotion of community events by not-for-profit community groups. Troppo Architects have been engaged to undertake the design of poster facilities.

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### **Community Art Space (Civic Centre)**

Council will host an exhibition of works by children and young people in the Civic Centre Community Art Space in October 2012 to celebrate Children's Week, with an opening function to be held in the Civic Centre on Friday 18 October, 3.30–5.30 pm.

### **Arts Sector Forum 2012**

Council's annual Arts Sector Forum will be held on Wednesday 7 November 2012, 9 am-11 am in the Civic Centre Function Area. Consultation with forum participants will help to inform the development of a new Five Year Arts Plan for Council. (The current Five Year Arts Plan expires in June 2013).

### **Sponsorship of Arts Events**

Council is a sponsor of the Darwin Fridge Festival event being held at various locations between 12-28 October 2012. See [www.darwinfridgefestival.org.au](http://www.darwinfridgefestival.org.au)

### **Family & Children's Services**

The Family & Children's Services Coordinator (FCSC) manages Council's Community and Child Care Centres, the Fun Bus, Fun in the Parks, special projects and facilitates the school civics program.

### **Child Care Centres**

Council sponsors seven Child Care Centres in the provision and maintenance of the buildings. Council also assists the Child Care Centres in obtaining grants from the NT Government, Commonwealth Government and project manages the works when applicable.

FCSC attended Parap Family Centre Management Committee meeting to discuss the FCSC's role, the Councils and the Centres maintenance's responsibility.

### **Fun in the Parks**

Council's Fun in the Parks is a school holiday program focused on primary school aged children. The program operates from 10am to 12.30pm every Monday, Wednesday and Friday of school holidays.

A Fun in the Park staff member provided face painting at Council's City Library Reading Hour event.

The FCSC is currently planning for the October school holiday program which will operate from Monday 1 October to Friday 5 October.

### **Fun Bus**

The Fun Bus continues to provide high quality mobile play group services for children 0 to 5 years, their parents and carers. The Fun Bus operates weekdays 9.30am to 11.30am in parks and reserves for a total of 40 weeks each year.

The Fun Bus staff and the trainees attended the following Professional Development sessions this Month:

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Ditto Keep Safe Adventure personal safety program for children;

- Information Sharing Workshop on the Amendment from, The *Care and Protection of Children Act 2007* on Information Sharing (Part 5.1A) came into effect on 1 July 2011;
- SAF,T forum for the way forward for Aboriginal children;
- Child Wise full day training provides participants with vital knowledge and skills to identify and respond to all forms of child abuse, including risks to children, dynamics of grooming and behaviours of perpetrator;
- Engaging Father's in Physical Activity Workshop;
- Trainees attend Council's OHS training on Maintaining a Harassment Free Workplace, Manual Handling, Coping with Heat Stress and Saving our Skins.

Council's Community Development Manager and Family & Children's Services Coordinator met with the Grants Management & Support Officer from the Department of Children's and Families to discuss and update the Fun Bus Service Agreement.

### **National Child Protection Week**

This year's National Child Protection campaign is "*play your part*" in preventing child abuse and neglect by keeping all children and young people safe.

In partnership with Playgroup NT, we hosted a Family Fun morning on Wednesday 5 September at Jingili Water Gardens. Centacare, Kids Safe, NAPCAN, Water Safety Foster Care NT and Safety House provided activities and information to the families. Approximately 200 people attended the morning and positive feedback has been received from families and participating organisations.



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### **National Children's Week**

Preparations for National Children's Week from 19 to 27 October continue to progress well. City of Darwin will be hosting a Celebrating Childhood Art Exhibition in October at the Civic Centre, Community Art Space. The official opening of the Art Exhibition and the launch of National Children's Week in conjunction with NAPCAN will be on Friday the 19 October.

City of Darwin in collaboration with Early Childhood Australia – NT Branch and Territory Childcare Group is organising two Children's Family Fun Events during Children's Week.

### **In kind support**

The Fun and Games equipment program supported five (5) Community Events during September, the Create Foundation Life skills workshop, Mission Australia Shout Out event, Casuarina Uniting Church Centenary Fete, Cancer Council NT Relay for Life and Squash NT Community event.

### **School Civic Visits**

Council facilitates School Civic Visits for Primary School as well as Middle School students to assist Teachers to meet their curriculum requirements in the area of Governance. Various Council staff attends as 'guest speakers' to meet a specific class requirement.

In September, two (2) Year 5/6 classes from Ludmilla Primary School attended Civic. After the Local Government Overview, Acting Lord Mayor Bob Elix participated in question time and chaired the student's debate.

### **Sister Cities Program**

#### **Community Safety**

City of Darwin continues to maintain representation on a number of inter-agency committees concerned with safety and actions items identified as being of Council control. The Casuarina Business Precinct Liquor Accord met 26 September. The Accord has been operational since the beginning of 2011 and the group discussed implementation. The Inter Agency Task Force Coordination Group (ITCG) continues

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to meet fortnightly and resolve any community safety issues brought to the table. The ITCG met September 12 and 26. A number of Walkway concerns have been actioned this month including: Walkway 198, request for resurfacing and lighting; Walkway 78 anti-social behaviour and lighting; Walkway 192 people getting into a closed walkway at night, Walkway 24 request for extension of opening hours, and Walkway 19 enquiry about opening and closing times.

### **International Relations**

Council recently received and reviewed requests for establishment of Sister City relationships from: Launceston, Tasmania; Tarpon Springs, United States of America; Horsham, Victoria and Kabankalan, The Philippines.

### **Girls Night In! A Multicultural Dress Up Party**

Planning is underway for a women only multicultural dress up party to raise funds for Dragons Abreast Australia. Over 90 community and multicultural groups have been invited to send female representatives dressed in traditional costumes. Those attending will have the opportunity to try on costumes from around the world, listen to local singing and dancing performance and have their photos taken. Girls Night In will be hosted by the Lord Mayor on Thursday 18 October.

### **Advisory Committee Workshops**

Members of the Disability Advisory Committee, Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee and all Sister City Community Committees have been invited to participate in an Advisory Committee Members Workshop. Facilitated by local consultant Deborah Hall, the session will cover the roles and responsibilities of Advisory Committees, the Council decision making process, good governance and good meeting practices. The workshop will be delivered on three separate occasions in October to provide flexibility.

### **Sister Cities Film Night**

The Sister Cities Film Night was held Thursday 13 September at the Deckchair Cinema. Approximately 244 patrons were in attendance on the night, adding to increased exposure for the program. Volunteers from the Sister Cities Committees donated raffle prizes, baked home made cakes and muffins and cooked and served on the night. The night was a well attended, well run event with positive promotion for the Sister Cities program.

### **Ambon**

The Ambon Sister City Community Committee met 6 September 2012. The 2012 student and teacher exchange concluded 5 September and was a great success. Plans are underway for the 2013 exchange. A meeting was had with Charles Darwin University and a location has been decided for the donated Maluku statues.

### **Delegation to celebrate the 437<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the City of Ambon**

Lord Mayor and General Manager Community and Cultural Services travelled to Ambon to celebrate the Ambon City Anniversary 7 September 2012. An itinerary was developed to make the most of their visit to Ambon including visiting SMA

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Negeri 5, Governor of Maluku, representatives of the cattle and agriculture industry and war memorial.

### **Anchorage**

The Anchorage Sister City Community Committee met 5 September 2012. Plans are currently underway for expansion of the annual art exchange. Additionally Council is working in collaboration with the Australian American Association of the Northern Territory to deliver a Halloween Family Fun Day to be held end of October 2012.

### **Dili**

The Dili Sister City Community Committee met 4 September 2012. Planning is currently underway for the 2013 Darwin and Dili Youth exchange. Additionally, Council is assisting Action for Change Foundation in the development of Library facilities at their training centre.

### **Haikou**

The Haikou Sister City Community Committee met 3 September 2012.

### **Kalymnos**

The Kalymnos Sister City Community Committee met 1 June 2012.

## **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

Nil.

## **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

## **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

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

Nil.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

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### **COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

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

**KATIE HEARN**  
**A/GENERAL MANAGER**  
**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES**

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COMMITTEE/OPEN**
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**LIVEABILITY UPDATE SEPTEMBER 2012**
**REPORT No.:12C0081 FR:kl**
**COMMON No.: 2258931**
**DATE: 22/10/2012**
**Presenter: Manager Liveability, Fiona Ray**
**Approved: A/General Manager Community & Cultural Services, Katie Hearn**
**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to appraise Council of activities undertaken within the Liveability Section during August 2012.

**LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

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**

2 Enhance Darwin's Active, Positive and Flexible Lifestyle

**Outcome**

2.2 Increase recreational, cultural and heritage experiences

2.3 Promote family friendly and healthy activities.

**KEY ISSUES**

- Policy and Research
- Liquor Licensing
- Major Projects
- Community Safety
- Recreation
- Healthy Darwin

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 12C0081 FR:mrg entitled, Liveability Update for September, 2012 be received and noted.



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 SUBJECT: LIVEABILITY UPDATE SEPTEMBER 2012

## **BACKGROUND**

Monthly activity reports are provided to Council to raise issues of strategic and policy interest, major projects and to share information on operational activities being undertaken across the section.

## **DISCUSSION**

### ***Super Tuesday***

Raw count data for the Super Tuesday bike count undertaken on Tuesday 6 September was circulated by the Bicycle Network (Attachment 1). The figures showed an increase in 371 riders over last year, with the intersection of Progress and Dick Ward Drive recording the greatest increase. In 2011, 61 riders were counted at the Dick Ward Drive and Progress Drive intersection, this year the count recorded 133 cyclists.

The substantial increase may in part reflect the 30 minute change in count times, with records taken between 6.30am and 8.30am this year, as opposed to 7.00am to 9.00am in 2011. Also important to note is that data was received from 20 counts in 2011 and from 22 sites in 2012. With all factors considered there is an indication that commuter cycling is increasing. A count in 2013 from 6.30 to 8.30 will provide improved consistency in data over a 2 year period.

Super Tuesday provides a snapshot of commuter cycling to help inform community planning and development, tourism, recreation and health initiatives, infrastructure planning and delivery. The attached photo compares the space required for 69 cyclists, 69 bus passengers and 60 private vehicles. It highlights the benefits that provision for cyclists and public transport can bring to urban areas. Whilst travel to work in private vehicles is the dominant travel choice, rates of cycling in Darwin and the Territory are higher than national averages. (Attachment 1)



Source: Bicycle Network Newsletter

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### ***Bike Pod***

Registrations of Interest in the Bike Pod will close on 23 October. Registrations are slowly rolling in and the facility will be promoted in the lead up to Ride to Work Day to ensure a high level of exposure to commuting cyclists.

### ***Liquor Licensing***

Comment on variations and applications to the Licensing Commission are now the responsibility of Community and Cultural Services and will be coordinated by Manager Liveability with input and assistance from Regulatory Services. A new liquor licence application, in association with alfresco dining has been received for Saffron restaurant in Parap.

### ***Community Safety***

City of Darwin continues to maintain representation on a number of inter-agency committees concerned with safety and actions items identified as being of Council control.

The Casuarina Business Precinct Liquor Accord met 26 September. The Accord has been operational since the beginning of 2011 and the group discussed implementation in the face of changes to access to liquor.

The Inter Agency Task Force Coordination Group (ITCG) continues to meet fortnightly and discuss any community safety issues brought to the table. The ITCG met September 12 and 26. A number of Walkway concerns have been actioned this month including: Walkway 198, request for resurfacing and lighting; Walkway 78 anti-social behaviour and lighting; Walkway 192 people getting into a closed walkway at night, Walkway 24 request for extension of opening hours, and Walkway 19 enquiry about opening and closing times.

## **RECREATION SERVICES - POOLS**

### ***Water Safety Week***

The Northern Territory Government's Water Safety Week was held during 8-14 September and utilised a number of Council facilities. A total of six events were held across the three swimming pools, as well as Lake Alexander and the Casuarina Library Community Meeting Space.

Recreation Services ensured that promotion occurred on Council's webpage and Facebook site to support this fun and educational week of events for Territory families. In addition, a special advertising feature for Water Safety Week in the Sun Newspaper on Wednesday 5 September also provided Council with the opportunity to promote upcoming adult learn to swim classes being offered by Healthy Darwin in November.

### ***Support for Seniors Week***

Council offered a free aqua aerobics class at Parap Swimming Pool for Seniors on Thursday 30 August as part of Seniors Month.

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### ***Swimming NT***

Swimming NT has requested additional shade for race officials at the Casuarina Pool and lighting for their scoreboard. Recreation Services and Building Maintenance officers met Swimming NT Executive Officer David Evans on Tuesday 11 September at Casuarina Swimming Pool to discuss options.

### ***Signage***

New signage sporting the City of Darwin logo, 2012/13 pool entry fees and conditions was installed at each of the pools during September.

## **FACILITIES**

### ***Ovals***

Cancer Council's highly successful Relay For Life was held on Friday 28 September at Gardens Oval One. Council's Recreation Services Officers assisted the Cancer Council for this event through the provision of cleaning services, supply of bollards to rope off the centre square/pitch area, set-up and pack-up of the power distribution board and liaison with Parks Infrastructure for mowing and irrigation tasks.

Wet Season Oval Allocation Applications have been received from AFL-NT for training and competition at Gardens Oval (1 and 2), Jingili, Moil, Nightcliff and Wulagi Ovals. AFL-NT will also be renting an office and amenities space at Nightcliff Community Centre (adjacent to Nightcliff Oval) to utilise for umpiring.

Malak Oval has been utilised during September by Council's Healthy Darwin program for informal soccer sessions with refugee males. These sessions are run by volunteers who work with the Melaleuca refugee service.

The NT Gaelic Hurling And Football Association utilised Gardens Oval Two on Sunday 30 September for their Gaelic Sevens Tournament.

### ***Malak Basketball Half-Court***

Construction of the Malak Basketball Half-Court at Holzerland Park, Malak was completed in mid September. A media launch was conducted on Monday 24 September with the Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim in attendance, along with the Waters Ward Aldermen, CEO, EO, GM Community & Cultural Services, Manager Liveability, Recreation and Open Space Co-ordinator, Recreation Services Officer and Acting Media and PR Officer. Hoops For Health's Director Timmy Duggan and "Hooper" the Hoops For Health mascot, came along to put the half-court to the test and showed everyone how easy it is to get involved and shoot some hoops from any angle.



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### ***Haritos Playground***

Following a petition from local residents, completion of upgrade works to Haritos Park Playground, Wanguri occurred on Friday 28 September. A launch party for the local residents was held in the afternoon by the Richardson Ward Aldermen with over 60 people attending and enjoying the new facility.



## **PROGRAMS AND EVENTS**

### ***Cycling***

At the request of the Climate Change and Environment Senior Officer, CC&E and Recreation Services joined forces to organise a cycling confidence course for staff who felt they were “novice or nervous” about cycling and were interested in some tuition.

Three one-hour sessions were held during lunchtimes at the Dinah Beach Oval playground space and neighbourhood streets, utilising the staff bikes. The Recreation Officer instructed participants in balance skills, riding slowly, weaving, cornering, going through the gears, hill climbing and descending, riding in proximity to other riders, safety and communication, basic bicycle checks and correct bicycle set-up for greatest efficiency and injury prevention.

### ***National Walk to Work Day***

Recreation Services and Council’s Workforce Wellbeing Committee ensured promotion of this event was made to all Council staff and on Council’s webpage and Facebook site. This annual national event aims to encourage everyone to walk to work as a way to promote physical activity as a normal part of our day.

### ***Skateboarding Australia (SbA) Darwin Hub***

Following Council’s Decision to support SbA’s funding request, a number of events have been scheduled at Jingili Skate Park for the remainder of this Financial Year. Recreation Services is supporting these events by promoting to all schools in the Darwin municipality and at Council libraries and public swimming pools. Promotion has also occurred on Council’s webpage and Facebook site.



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The first StreetWise clinic was held on Saturday 29 September and the Recreation and Open Space Co-ordinator attended to support the event and promote Council's involvement in this new program. Council also assisted by providing SbA with the use of Council's temporary shade structures, water containers, tables and chairs while they await the arrival of their supplies from the SbA head office in Queensland. A total of 16 participants took part in learning new skateboard skills on the day.

## HEALTHY DARWIN

September saw a further 33 low income earners sign up to the program bringing the total number of members to 180. The majority of the new members stated they heard about the program through word of mouth. This highlights the importance of getting people talking about the program and the growing awareness of what's on offer within the program. Additional to the new members, Healthy Darwin has engaged with an additional 40-50 low income community members in our programs through groups with special needs, this included; Indigenous women, refugees and people living with mental illness.

HEAL is one of the National programs delivered by exercise physiologists for the Healthy Darwin program. In September, Healthy Darwin supported the commencement of two HEAL programs with a total of 12 participants. One program is with Burmese refugees and is being delivered by CDU. Not only does this program provide education to the refugee women but it has also allowed 1 student from CDU to be trained and mentored in the delivery of the program.

Participants in the weekly Bagot Community Women's Group set off on a three day trip to the Tiwi Islands at the end of September. The trip was planned with the group's supporting agencies and the women themselves. The aim was to meet strong women on the islands, providing the women with a break from the stresses of life in the community and a chance to embark on some healthy activities offered on the island. A total of 16 jumped on the ferry for a wonderful 3 days of yarning, walking pristine beaches, exploring arts centres, hunting for mud mussels and swimming in spring fed waterholes. We all learned a lot from the locals and look forward to continuing to build strong relationship with the residents on the islands.



Participants in the Men's Refugee Soccer Group relaxing after a match



Our own private beach on the Tiwis

Healthy Darwin worked with the NT Government to deliver a series of workshops relating to father inclusive practice run by Professor Fletcher from the Family Action

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Centre at Newcastle University. The workshops brought together a total 68 workers from the health and community sectors and all levels of government. The first workshop was aimed at up skilling workers in the area of engaging men in physical activity, in particular through engagement of 'rough and tumble play' with their children. This workshop was attended by COD Families and Children Staff, Recreation Services officers and the Healthy Darwin team. An additional discussion was held for Program Directors/Managers to explore father inclusion at a policy level. This discussion was attended by COD's Manager Community Development.

The 'Healthy Mix' (subsidised access to group exercise) program added Boot Camp in Malak to its weekly calendar of activities. This has already been attended by 6 Healthy Darwin members. Tai Chi for Arthritis and Falls Prevention (12 week course) continues to be one of our most popular Healthy Mix weekly activities with around 18 attending on a regular basis.

To improve access to physical activity for people living with mental illness Healthy Darwin has teamed up with the Day to Day Living Centre to provide free weekly Tai Chi classes. The Healthy Darwin program also continues to support the Bagot Women's Group, Danila Dilba Seniors Group and the Men's Refugee Soccer Group.

Our mini health checks have continued around Darwin in September with the team heading back to Karama Shopping Centre. The Casuarina Community Health Centre team completed 45 health checks and participants were also provided with an introduction to the Healthy Darwin Program. Therefore, a total of 300 free community health checks have been completed (to date). Planning is ongoing for the following new activities and programs:

- Regular easy group bike rides (Starting Sunday Oct 14)
- Yoga – A 6 week Introduction (Starting Tuesday Oct 16)
- Health Checks at National Children's Week event (Jingili Wednesday Oct 24)
- Adult Learn to swim (Start date to be confirmed)

### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

Nil

### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

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

Nil

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### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

### **COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

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

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**Attachment A: Super Tuesday 2012 Raw Data**



Summary sheet | 2011 National  
Cycling Participation Survey

## Northern Territory Cycling Participation



**60,000**  
people ride a bike in  
the Northern Territory  
each week

The Northern Territory has cycling participation rates significantly higher than the national average.

Around 26% of NT residents ride in a typical week, increasing to 35% in a month and 52% over a year.

The NT has the highest proportion of people using their bicycles for transport (47% of people who cycle in a typical week). About 26,000 people ride to work, education, the shops or to visit friends or relatives on at least one occasion in a typical week.

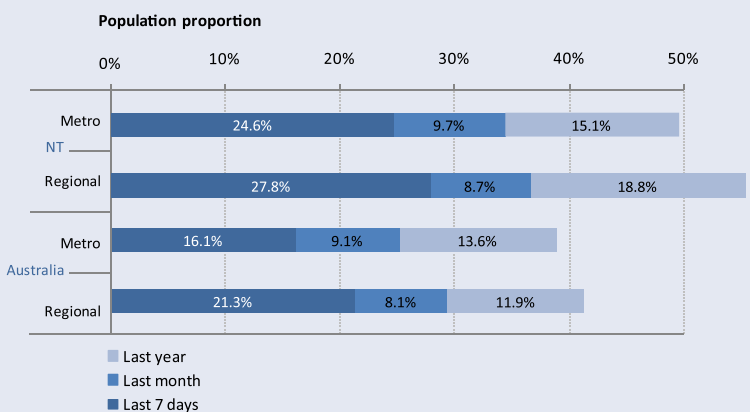
The NT has one of the highest participation rates of children with about 57% of children under 10 and 43% aged 10-17 riding each week.

The NT also has the highest proportion of older people cycling, with 15% of people aged 40 and over riding a bike each week.

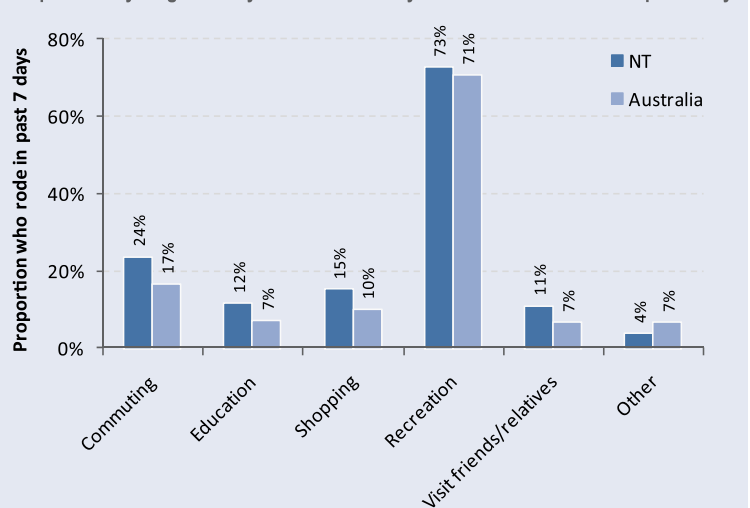
Men and boys are more likely to ride than women and girls. However the gender gap is smaller in the NT than in most other states across all ages. About 30% of males and 22% of females ride in a typical week. The lowest rate of participation is by older women with 10% of women aged 40 and over cycling in a typical week.

Nearly two thirds of households in the NT have access to a bicycle.

Cycling participation as a proportion of resident population



Purpose for cycling travel by Northern Territory residents who rode in the past 7 days





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**AGENDA ITEM: 9.3**

**REGULATORY SERVICES UPDATE SEPTEMBER 2012**

**REPORT No.: 12C0075 DN:MRG COMMON No.: 1330602**

**DATE: 22/10/2012**

**Presenter: Manager Regulatory Services, Dave Neall**

**Approved: A/General Manager Community & Cultural Services, Katie Hearn**

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update of activities undertaken within the Regulatory Services section during September, 2012.

**LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

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**

7.1.6 Develop contemporary management policies and by-laws

**KEY ISSUES**

Parking Enforcement  
Animal Management  
Public Places

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 12C0075 DN:MRG entitled Regulatory Services Update September 2012, be received and noted.

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## **BACKGROUND**

Operational updates on Regulatory Services are provided to Council on a monthly basis.

## **DISCUSSION**

### **CBD Parking**

During September 2012 six Rangers regulated all areas of on street CBD parking and off street Council car parks. Rangers actively patrolled the Mall on a daily basis to ensure there were no breaches of the By-Laws.

Rangers have continued to remain vigilant in respect to the unlawful parking of vehicles in motor cycle bays within the CBD. In the event that a motor vehicle is observed parked in a motor cycle bay an infringement is issued for the offence.

Two additional signs have now been erected in the Mall informing bike riders that *"riding of bicycles is prohibited and penalties apply"*. The signs were placed on main support structures at both ends of the Mall and are clearly visible to pedestrians and bike riders. Rangers will continue to engage and infringe those who continue to ride their bikes in this prohibited area.

Rangers continued to regulate parking in Zone A on Saturdays between the hours of 08.00am and 2.00pm. All contraventions of the Australian Road Rules are fully enforced with the exception of pay and display requirements. Rangers also continued to regulate time restricted parking in the CBD Plaza (Woolworths) car park.

### **Suburban Parking**

Rangers conducted regular patrols for suburban parking enforcement including Casuarina, Cullen Bay, Parap, Nightcliff, Fannie Bay, Hibiscus, Rapid Creek, Alawa, Karama and Stuart Park. The Suburban Rangers regulated all disabled bays, timed zones, vehicles for sale in a public place and complaints received from the public.

The Suburban Rangers also regulated the parking in Casuarina Village Shopping Centre car park mostly on request.

The nature strip located at Bradshaw Terrace, Casuarina continued to be patrolled by Rangers Monday through to Saturday. A dedicated patrol of the area has been conducted between the hours of 11am-2pm resulting in a significant number of infringements being issued (total of 102 infringements) with a progressive reduction in the number of vehicles employing this particular parking practice being recorded.

### **Generals**

Generals Rangers actioned notices for abandoned vehicles, long grass, litter complaints and a full range of By-Law offences. Regulatory Services continued to work closely with the Infrastructure Department in relation to long grass complaints, relative procedures to provide a better level of customer service and to meet appropriate timeframes for the finalisation of jobs.

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Committed to an overall improvement of service delivery within Regulatory Services, a review of the abandoned vehicles procedure is currently being undertaken. The objective of this review is to adopt a more streamlined process that better aligns with current legislative provisions as per Part 5 of the Northern Territory Traffic Regulations. This action, coupled with a comprehensive regulatory response is designed to facilitate the removal of abandoned and dangerously parked vehicles from the municipality in an effective, efficient and timely manner, meeting community expectations.

### **Waterfront Precinct**

Two Rangers continued to regulate parking at the Waterfront Precinct during the week and also on weekends. The Precinct was also patrolled early mornings for breaches of By-Law 103 - Camping/Sleeping in a Public Place.

### **Public Places**

The aim of the Public Places program is to minimise breaches of By-Law 103, in particular persons camping/sleeping in public places and the obstruction of public facilities. Rangers also work in cooperation with NT Police and Larrakia Nation.

Public Places' Rangers continued to patrol the municipality for illegal camping and other associated unlawful activities as governed by Council By-laws. Patrols were carried out at the most popular areas such as Mindil Beach, East Point, Darwin Waterfront and all CBD Council controlled car parks.

Complaints of unlawful behaviour in Frog Hollow have been significantly reduced since Council's regulatory response to complaints of proscribed behaviours in the area. This result follows on from a cooperative approach by the Northern Territory Police and Council Rangers focusing on unlawful behaviours occurring in the park area bounded by Lindsay and McMinn Streets. Regular patrols by Public Places Rangers continue and the area will be closely monitored going forward. Prohibited camping signage is currently being manufactured for placement on the boundaries of the park.

The CSNG (Community Safety Networking Group) is held fortnightly and attended by Rangers assigned to Public Places patrols. The Rangers provide up to date information on movements and activities in relation to persons who are homeless, locations identified as areas that currently accommodate unlawful activities including the illegal consumption of alcohol.

### **Weekend Markets**

Rapid Creek, Parap and Nightcliff Markets continued to be patrolled every weekend. Patrol hours are between 9.00am and 1.00pm on Saturdays and Sundays.

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### **Animal Management**

Continuing with Council's ongoing commitment to educating pet owners, foot patrols were conducted by Rangers and Councils Animal Education Officer in the area of Nightcliff Foreshore and Jingili Water Gardens in the last two weeks of September. Rangers promoted By-law compliance and responsible pet ownership during the patrols. Council Rangers reported positive feedback from interaction with upwards of 60 people who were spoken to over the first week of the program.

Several low grade dog attack incidents were reported during September. In one case a medium size mixed breed dog was removed by NT Police from a property in Moil. The report indicated that it had bitten a person on the arm and this was the second biting incident in a short period of time. Council Rangers met with Police and impounded the dog. The attack incident is currently under investigation by Council Rangers with the offending dog remaining secured in the pound.

### **Animal Education**

The Animal Education Officer (AEO) conducted a reading of '*Reggie the Cat and Neisha the Dog*' on Friday 28 September at the City Library 'Pets' themed Storytime. Positive feedback was received from parents and library staff.

The AEO commenced a training course '*Train the Trainer*' through the Darwin based Human Resource and Computer Academy.

On direction of the Team Leader the AEO provides assistance to Rangers with investigations that require knowledge of dog behaviour and assessment to resolve ongoing barking issues. AEO also provides an extension service with one on one behaviour consultations for residents who require advice and alternatives to reduce the incidence of barking and other detrimental behaviours which impact adversely on neighbours.

### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

Nil.

### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

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

Nil.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

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### **COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

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

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**AGENDA ITEM: 9.4**

**LIBRARIES INFORMATION UPDATE FOR SEPTEMBER 2012**

**REPORT No.: 12P0010 KC:md**

**COMMON No.: 1943023**

**DATE: 22/10/12**

**Presenter: A/Manager Library Services, Lynette Loone**

**Approved: A/General Manager Community & Cultural Services, Katie Hearn**

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide an update of September 2012 detailing events and comments relating to City of Darwin Libraries (CODL).

**LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

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**

2 Enhance Darwin's Active, Positive and Flexible Lifestyle

**Outcome**

2.2 Increase recreational, cultural and heritage experiences

**Key Strategies**

2.2.1 Enhance library facilities

**KEY ISSUES**

This report provides an overview of library activities for the past month including the activities at the Libraries during Adult Learners week.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 12P0010 entitled Libraries Information Update for September 2012, be received and noted.

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 SUBJECT: LIBRARIES INFORMATION UPDATE FOR JUNE 2012

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## **BACKGROUND**

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of events and comments relating to City of Darwin Libraries, including Adult Learner's Week activities in September 2012.

## **DISCUSSION**

All four libraries were very busy during the first week of September due to Adult Learners Week, Disability Awareness Week and Indigenous Literacy Day activities, as well as staging the Young Territory Author Awards ceremony.

To help raise the profile of Indigenous Literacy Day on 5 September, damper was on offer to staff for gold coin donation. The damper was donated by Karen's Kitchen & \$183.50 was raised for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

Staff from the City Library manned the City of Darwin Libraries stand at the Happiness & Wellbeing Market in Raintree Park on 5 September, a Disability Awareness Week event. The day provided an opportunity to network with other service providers as well as promoting library services and facilities to a wide range of people.

Over 70 people attended Don Tate's talk about his memoir *The War Within* at Karama Library on 21 September. These included students from Kormilda College and ex Vietnam vets who were clearly moved by his words and the rare footage of the Vietnam War that he screened.

COD Elected Members held community consultation sessions at Casuarina and City Libraries this month on the 2012 Strategic Plan.

Art on Wheels, a project run by Darwin Visual Arts Association, exhibited at Casuarina Library on 23 September and included visual art installations and performance art pieces.

There has been no further progress with the coffee cart at Casuarina Library as no formal Expressions of Interest were received.

New carpet has been ordered for City Library and orders will be placed in October for new shelving, furniture and other items. The Library will close for the last two weeks of November to allow for painting and installation of carpet, shelving and furniture, reopening Monday 3 December.

Lorraine Pearce has been appointed to the full time Library Assistant position based at City Library and commenced work on 24 September. Interviews have been held for the vacant part time Library Assistant position to be based at Karama Library. Six work experience students from local high schools were hosted this month. There have been three responses so far to the call for volunteers on the Volunteering SA NT website. One was from Adelaide, but the two local people have been contacted and will be interviewed for suitability.

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### **Adult Learner's Week**

This year's theme for Adult Learner's Week 1 - 8 September was 'Digital Literacy: Connecting and learning through technology'. Four information sessions were held, one at each library: 'Your basic guide to YouTube', 'Explore social media – Twitter', 'Explore social media – Facebook', and 'All about eBooks'. Staff put a lot of effort into developing these very informative and professionally presented sessions. In addition, fantasy author Chris Ballantyne ran a writing and self publishing workshop and children's author and illustrator Sally Rippin held a creative writing workshop. All sessions were well attended and feedback was very positive.

### **Collection Development**

The Libraries eBooks website was officially launched in September. The resource was promoted in a variety of ways - on the website, Facebook, promotional fliers, radio, staff and newsletter. During the month, awareness grew steadily and by the end of the month 60 members had accessed the site and borrowed 140 items, mainly adult fiction. Thus far \$7,841 has been spent on resources for the site with a total of 395 items in a variety of genres. Feedback from patrons has been very positive and we look forward to growing the resource. eBook training sessions will be offered to the public at Casuarina Library on Friday mornings and at City Library on Saturday mornings starting mid October and community groups such as U3A will be offered training. Library staff will also continue to offer help to customers on an ad hoc basis when the need arises.

Our previous supplier James Bennett continues to finalise our orders at the culmination of the contract. We are working closely with the new supplier Peter Pal, in an effort to have online resource ordering established as soon as possible. This has been a very difficult time for Libraries as we have been unable to access the funding provided by the NT Government. The majority of our new resources over the past two months have been purchased by using COD funds.

### **Children and Youth Services**

The main auditorium of the Darwin Entertainment Centre proved the perfect venue for the 2012 Young Territorian Author Awards presentation on 6 September, with over 240 people attending. The event was well organised as a combined effort by Council's Marketing and Libraries staff. MCs Lisa and Natalie Pellegrino kept the afternoon rolling along and Alderman Allan Mitchell representing the Lord Mayor, presented certificates and prizes. Awards were given in the following age groups: under 8 years of age, 9 to 12 years of age, 13 to 15 years of age and 16 to 18 years of age. The overall winner was Shayla Moses for her book *Pinchy's plant*.

A special Father's Day storytime was held on Saturday, 1 September at City Library. The Graduate Librarian is working with Dripstone Middle School to promote our services. Fifteen students from the Immigration Detention Centre who attend Sanderson Middle School were given a tour of Casuarina Library.



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### **Training**

All library staff have now been trained in eBooks. Library managers attended WHS legislation training delivered by Marsh Risk Consulting. Several staff attended Information Sharing and the new Child Protection Legislation training, and more sessions are scheduled.

Other training this month for library staff included:

Technology and You NT (TAUNT) training at NT Library  
 General Ledger and Requisitioning  
 Libraries Australia Search and Inter Library Loans

### **Displays and Promotions**

Libraries have promoted 'Get Reading!' in September, an Australian Government initiative encouraging all Australians to read. This year's top 50 books were all by Australian authors and the '50 books you can't put down' booklets went out the door as quickly as the books themselves.

Updated tri-fold library membership brochures have been ordered, as well as a new pull-up banner. The new branding and design work for the Library van has been approved and is awaiting completion. All staff have been issued with their full quota of shirts with the City of Darwin logo.

### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

Nil

### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

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

Nil

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

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### **COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

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

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**AGENDA ITEM: 9.5**
**MINUTES YOUTH ADVISORY GROUP (YAG) - 5 SEPTEMBER 2012**
**REPORT No.: 12C0073 SP:es      COMMON No.: 2330561**
**DATE: 22/10/2012**
**Presenter:            Youth Services Officer, Sean Pardy**
**Approved:            A/General Manager Community & Cultural Services, Katie Hearn**
**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to present to Council the minutes of the Youth Advisory Group meeting held 5 September 2012 for information.

**LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

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**

1      Achieve Effective Partnerships and Engage in Collaborative Relationships

**Outcome**

1.2    Effectively engage with community

**Key Strategies**

1.2.3   Engage, communicate and consult with the community including schools

**KEY ISSUES**

Minutes of Youth Advisory Group 5 September 2012

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 12C0073 SP:es entitled Minutes Youth Advisory Group (YAG) - 5 September 2012, be received and noted.

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## **BACKGROUND**

### **Decision No. 19/1648 (15/06/05)**

- A. That Report Number 05C0071 KH:kl entitled Feedback Report Youth Event PopArt 2, 2005, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council continue to support youth participation opportunities that emerge through the work of the GRIND youth newspaper team and the Youth Advisory Group.
- C. THAT Council congratulate the GRIND Youth Newspaper team and the Youth Advisory Group on the great success on the PopArt 2 youth event held on 28 May 2005.

## **DISCUSSION**

The September meeting of YAG was attended by guest Lauren Moss. Lauren firstly spoke to the group as a representative of the Northern Territory Early Intervention Pilot Program. This program has consulted with YAG on previous occasions and input from the group has lead to the development of information tools for engaging with young people. The group discussed the impact of drugs other than alcohol on their peers, mechanisms for engaging with young people and tools for starting a conversation about alcohol and other drug use.

Lauren Moss then spoke to the group as a representative of the Australian Youth Forum (AYF). Lauren informed the group that the AYF encourages young people to get involved in public discussion and gives them the opportunity to make sure their ideas are considered in the development of Australian public policy, programs or projects. YAG members aged over 15 were encouraged to become representatives for the Northern Territory.

Members discussed the Youth Activity Kit and its benefits as a resource for the community. Members went on to discuss the logistics for hosting a cartooning workshop aimed at producing art work for the outside of the trailer. It was agreed that such a workshop would enable the youth community to have ownership over the Youth Activity Kit. Members provided advice on the nature, timing, and style of a workshop. Venue options were investigated and the group provided their opinions on the venues that would suit the needs of the youth community.

The group were informed of an Australian Youth Climate Coalition initiative, and began preliminary planning for Youth Week 2013.

## **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

Youth Advisory Group

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### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

NIL

### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

NIL

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

NIL

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

NIL

### **COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

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

**SEAN PARDY**  
**YOUTH SERVICES OFFICER**

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**A/GENERAL MANAGER**  
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**Attachment A:** Minutes Youth Advisory Group (YAG) - 5 September 2012



**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF DARWIN  
YOUTH ADVISORY GROUP (YAG) MEETING  
HELD WEDNESDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 2012**

**Chair:** Lang Williamson

**Minutes:** Emily Nancarrow

Meeting opened 5:10pm

**1. PRESENT**

Danielle Broster	YAG Member
Madeline Tate	YAG Member
Felix Baker	YAG Member
Lang Williamson	YAG Member
Angus Robson	YAG Member
Alexa Morris-Lovell	YAG Member
Gabby White	YAG Member
Sean Pardy	COD
Emily Nancarrow	COD
Alderman Want De Rowe	COD
Kenya McAdams	Guest
Lauren Moss	Northern Territory Early Intervention Pilot Program / Australian Youth Forum

**2. APOLOGIES**

Luxxmy Chandra  
Sita Valadian  
Krshna Capaque  
Sarah Morris

**3. ICE BREAKER**

Sean conducted a short ice breaker.

**4. SPECIAL GUEST: Lauren Moss – Northern Territory Early Intervention Pilot Program (NTEIPP) and Australian Youth Forum**

Sean introduced Lauren Moss to the group. Lauren thanked the group for their previous input into the NTEIPP. She highlighted the youth tag "Take Control Limit the Alcohol" and the glow in the dark wrist bands as information tools that have been created from discussions with groups of young people including YAG.

Lauren informed YAG that NTEIPP was broadening its scope to include drugs other than alcohol. The group discussed other drugs and how they impacted on their peers.

The group discussed mechanisms and strategies for starting conversations with young people about the affects of alcohol and other drugs.

Lauren concluded by offering NTEIPP support to any of the projects or events that YAG hosts.

#### **5. Australian Youth Forum (AYF)**

Lauren Moss spoke about the Australian Youth Forum. The group were informed that AYF were seeking new membership from November 2012. Lauren informed the group that the AYF was a mechanism for young people to speak with the Australian Government.

#### **6. Youth Activities Kit (YAK) and Cartooning Workshops**

Sean explained to the group the Youth Activities Kit and how it fitted in with Loud and Clear: Youth Strategy 2009 – 2014. The group remarked on what a valuable resource the YAK will be for the community.

The group went on to discuss potential cartooning workshops to facilitate the design for the outside of the trailers. The group agreed that there would be significant interest in such a workshop.

The group gave advice on the nature, timing and delivery of these workshops.

#### **7. Youth Conference**

Members were informed of Councils decision to support their attendance at the NT Youth Conference. Members indicated their availability and interest in attending the conference.

#### **8. Chair allocation**

Members decided on the Chair of the next meeting, Olivier Hasan-Fourcard. Angus Robson agreed to be the alternate.

#### **9. Any other business**

Angus made members aware of an Australian Youth Climate Coalition online event "Youth Decide" and encouraged members to become involved.

Sean reminded members of the need to start planning for Youth Week 2013.

Alderman Want de Rowe informed members of a family fun day and asked members for ideas on how to encourage young people to attend the event.

Meeting closed 6:46pm.



**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE/OPEN**

**AGENDA ITEM: 9.6**

**MINUTES OF THE ARTS AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
(ACDAC) MEETING 25 SEPTEMBER 2012 AND  
CIVIC PARK CULTURAL USAGE PLAN**

**REPORT No.: 12C0086 AR:kl**

**COMMON No.:**

**DATE: 22/10/2012**

**Presenter: Arts And Cultural Development Officer, Alice Rae**

**Approved: A/General Manager Community & Cultural Services, Katie Hearn**

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to present minutes of the Arts & Cultural Development Advisory Committee (ACDAC) meeting of 25 September 2012 including discussion regarding the Civic Park Cultural Usage Plan.

**LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

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**

5 Facilitate and Maintain a Cohesive Community

**Outcome**

5.2 Promote Darwin's culture

**KEY ISSUES**

- The Arts & Cultural Development Advisory Committee held its fourth meeting of the year on 25 September 2012.
- Consultant Renai Grace (Creative Sight) attended the meeting to present the final draft of the Civic Park Cultural Usage Plan for discussion. Feedback from the Committee will be incorporated in the final document and will inform an Action Plan addressing immediate and longer-term actions to be undertaken to achieve the vision set out in the Cultural Usage Plan. The Action Plan will be presented to Council for consideration at a future date.
- The issue of street art was raised after community feedback on the lack of legal street art spaces in Darwin. The Committee proposed that research be undertaken to determine best practice approaches to facilitating legal spaces for street art.

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### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 12C0086 AR:kl entitled Minutes of The Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee (ACDAC) Meeting 25 September 2012 and Civic Park Cultural Usage Plan, be received and noted.
- B. THAT a report be prepared to inform Council on best practice approaches to facilitating legal spaces for Street Art.

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## **BACKGROUND**

### **Decision No. 20\4361 (30/08/11)**

THAT a report be prepared for Council on the development of further infrastructure at Civic Park for access for people of all abilities.

### **Decision No. 20\3993 (31/05/11)**

- D. THAT a workshop with the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee be held in place of a scheduled Committee meeting in 2011 to initiate consultation for the proposed Civic Park - Cultural Usage Plan.

### **Decision No. 20\3029 (27/07/10)**

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0098 AR:mrg entitled, Minutes of Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee (ACDAC) Meeting 10 June 2010 and Darwin City Centre Public Art Master Plan, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council endorse the Darwin City Centre Public Art Master Plan as a framework to inform Council's Public Art Policy and a set of guidelines for public and private sector organisations wishing to access Council support and funding for Public Art projects.

### **Decision No. 18\4026 (24/09/02)**

- A. THAT Report Number 02C0350 TVB:mrg entitled, Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee Minutes 21 August 2002, Possible Development of a Master Plan for Civic Park and Sculpture In The Park, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council develop a master plan for Civic Park to be refurbished as a venue for public art and cultural development and that funding for the master planning process be referred to Council's 2003/04 budget.

### **Decision No . 16\6616 (30/01/96)**

3. THAT consideration be given in the development of a five year budget, to a program of installation of 3 phase power in parks in the City used for community functions.

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## **DISCUSSION**

### **Civic Park Cultural Usage Plan**

Council's Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee (ACDAC) has had a longstanding interest in the development of Civic Park as a cultural venue. A number of recent events have made the development of Civic Park a timely consideration, including the opening of the Waterfront precinct and Smith St walkway, the relocation of the Darwin Festival to Civic Park and the relocation of Happy Yess to Brown's Mart.

In 2011 Council engaged Renai Grace (Creative Sight/Independent Arts Management) to undertake consultation with the Darwin arts sector to produce a vision document for activating Civic Park as a cultural venue. Renai attended the ACDAC meeting on 25 September 2012 to present the final draft of the Civic Park Cultural Usage Plan for discussion. The report presents a vision for establishing Civic Park as a high profile open-air cultural venue by facilitating a program of diverse cultural activities in the park. Feedback from the Committee will be incorporated in the final document and will inform an Action Plan addressing immediate and longer-term actions to be undertaken to achieve the vision set out in the Cultural Usage Plan.

The Action Plan will be presented to Council for consideration at a future date.

### **Street Art**

Recently, the former Woolworths building at the corner of Smith St and Knuckey St which has been used as a legal art space for a number of years has been painted over by the building owners and permission to use the space has been revoked. Community feedback from Carol Phayer on the loss of this legal art space and the lack of legal street art spaces in Darwin was presented to the Committee for comment. The Committee proposed that research be undertaken to determine best practice approaches to facilitating legal spaces for street art, in order to help to inform Council's position on street art.

## **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

In preparing this Report the following parties were consulted:

General Manager Community and Cultural Services  
 General Manager Infrastructure  
 Manager Community Development  
 Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee (ACDAC)  
 Ms Renai Grace (Creative Sight / Independent Arts Management)  
 Ms Carol Phayer (Art Warehouse)

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### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Nil pertaining to this report.

### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Research to ascertain best practice approaches in facilitating legal arts spaces will be undertaken by the Arts and Cultural Development Officer and will help to inform Council's future planning in this area.

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

Nil pertaining to this report.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil pertaining to this report.

### **COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

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

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**Attachment A:** ACDAC Minutes 25 September 2012  
**Attachment B:** Civic Park Cultural Usage Plan (final draft)

## MINUTES OF THE ARTS & CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

**Held Thursday 25 September 2012  
at City of Darwin, Civic Centre**

### 1. PRESENT

Alderman Helen Galton	Chair, City of Darwin (also representing Tourism Top End)
Alderman Kate Worden	Alternate Chair, City of Darwin
Mr Ken Conway	Community Representative
Mr Bong Ramilo	EO, Darwin Community Arts
Mr Peter Scrivener	Senior Arts Broker Policy & Projects Arts NT
Ms Renai Grace	Consultant, Creative Sight
Mr John Banks	General Manager Community & Cultural Services (from 12.40 pm)
Mr Luccio Cercarelli	General Manager Infrastructure (from 12.50 pm)
Ms Alice Rae (Secretary)	Arts and Cultural Development Officer, CoD

### 2. APOLOGIES

Mr Tony Clementson	General Manager, Tourism Top End
Ms Leonie McNally	Community Representative
Mr Mark Smith	Manager, Music NT
Ms Anna Reece	General Manager, Darwin Festival
Ms Janice McEwen	Artwork NT
Ms Nadine Douglas	Asset Manager, CoD

Meeting opened 12.07 pm.

### 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

**Recommendation:** THAT the minutes of the meeting held Thursday 9 August 2012 be accepted as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Ken Conway. Seconded: Alderman Kate Worden. Carried.

### 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

#### 4.1 Poster noticeboards in the CBD

Council Decision 21\389, 28/08/12 – “That Council undertake design development for the provision of a minimum of two dedicated poster noticeboards in The Mall, to be integrated into the existing shade structures at the Bennett Street and Knuckey Street ends of The Mall.”

Tropo Architects have been engaged to design the poster facilities.

#### 4.2 ACDAC membership

Ms Nadine Douglas, Asset Manager, has been nominated as the City of Darwin Infrastructure representative.

Ms Janice McEwen has advised she will not apply to renominate for membership of the Committee.

Mr Tony Clementson has resigned from his position at Tourism Top End and thus will no longer represent Tourism Top End on the Committee.

There has been a strong response in applications for membership of the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee, with Expressions of Interest closing on 1 October.

#### 4.3 **Arts Sector Forum**

**Action:** ACDO to email out information regarding the Arts Sector Forum as soon as possible.

#### 4.4 **Darwin Theatre Company**

Darwin Theatre Company have advised that the organisation, while still unfunded, is planning a program of events for 2012/2013 and considering funding options. Information has been provided to DTC on how they might access Council support, e.g. through the Community Grants Program.

**Action:** ACDO to advise Darwin Theatre Company that Arts NT Community and Quick Response grants will also be advertised soon.

### 5. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

#### 5.1 **Civic Park Cultural Usage Plan – final draft**

Discussion held over (to 5.5) awaiting attendance of GM Community and Cultural Services and GM Infrastructure.

#### 5.2 **Legal Street Art Spaces**

**Action:** Research how other local government organisations, e.g. City of Brisbane, City of Melbourne, City of Marrickville (Sydney), manage successful street art programs. This research may assist to inform Council's position on street art.

#### 5.3 **Arts Project Updates**

##### Recycled Art Festival

Based on an evaluation of previous events, the next Recycled Art Festival is being planned for 2013 as an event in the June/July school holidays, based at Shoal Bay and focussing on Council's recycling activities.

Community Art Space

**Action:** ACDO to advertise a call for Expressions of Interest for the 2013 Community Art Space exhibition program.

Music in the Mall

A report is being prepared for Council costing different options for this program.

*John Banks, General Manager Community & Cultural Services attended from 12.40 pm*

Pirriyangua Memorial

Maintenance work is being costed.

Eye of the Explorer Memorial

Maintenance work is being costed.

#### 5.4 **New Initiatives**

Ken Conway

Brown's Mart will celebrate its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary the weekend after next. (4-5 October 2012)

Arts NT

The International Symposium of Electronic Art will be held in Sydney in 2013.

*Luccio Cercarelli, General Manager Infrastructure attended from 12.50 pm*

Darwin Community Arts

Working in collaboration with 24 Hour Art and Darwin Visual Arts Association to engage a new media artist to facilitate interactive media installations.

#### 5.5 **Civic Park Cultural Usage Plan – final draft**

Consultant Renai Grace (Creative Sight) attended the meeting to present the Civic Park Cultural Usage Plan final draft to the Committee for discussion.

- The Committee has had a longstanding interest in the development of Civic Park as a cultural venue.
- A number of recent events have made the development of Civic Park a timely consideration, including the opening of the Waterfront



precinct and Smith St walkway, the relocation of the Darwin Festival to Civic Park and the relocation of Happy Yess to Brown's Mart.

- The Civic Park Cultural Usage Plan presents a vision of Civic Park as an open air cultural venue, high profile, accessible and flexible in its use. This accords with similar Civic public spaces activated through activity e.g. Salamanca Place in Hobart.
- Currently, the Park is under-utilised as a cultural and community venue.
- The Cultural Usage Plan suggests ways to activate Civic Park by increasing activity in the Park, a process which in turn may require an upgrade of Park infrastructure. This process may be started through various means e.g. by providing temporary moveable seating during the daytime, inviting a coffee cart in the mornings and/or kiosk at lunchtimes to operate from the Park, lighting the trees at night (a possible Public Art opportunity), trimming trees to lift the canopies to provide clear sightlines and increase feeling of safety, install signage for users of the Park to access public toilets, install directional signage to various cultural landmarks, and rebranding of the Park.
- In the longer term, upgrading the power capabilities of the Park, staging areas (permanent/temporary?) and landscaping (e.g. the upgrade of pathways to promote pedestrian traffic, rather than bitumen roads designated for vehicles) could be undertaken to establish the Park as the centre of a cultural precinct for Darwin.
- There is great potential to tie in any program of events in Civic Park with the exhibition program at the Chan Contemporary Art Space.
- It is important that the Park caters to attract diverse communities.
- Features which may make the Park a destination for the youth community include free Wifi, signage/branding of the park as a youth friendly venue, and ipod/ipad plugin stations. Consultation with relevant stakeholders would help to inform this.
- Consultation revealed that artists/arts organisations want to drive the program rather than this being prescribed. Council could lead the programming for a couple of years, ensuring a high standard, so that in time, the venue attracts independent producers and the program becomes self-sustaining (generating revenue).
- Council should look to previous successful events such as Sculpture in the Park, the Darwin Festival and Fist Full of Films, when programming the venue. For example, an ongoing program of ephemeral sculpture installations; interactive art (e.g. Docklands, Melbourne); outdoor movies with inflatable screen; lighting festival.
- Increasing activity in the Park will increase the feeling of safety.
- A comprehensive web presence could be developed with venue specifications including an easy online application process to hire the venue and information on previous events (e.g. downloadable PDF).
- A system to capture feedback from hirers could also be put in place.
- Any development of the Park should be in consultation with stakeholders including Brown's Mart, Christ Church Cathedral, the NT Government (Department of Transport regarding the buses; Heritage regarding the Town Hall Ruins), property owner Alan

Garaway, Darwin City Waterfront, and The Mall Traders Association.

- Should the bus depot move from Harry Chan Ave, there may be potential to turn the area into a pedestrian walkway.
- The uneven levels in the Park are viewed as an Occupational Health & Safety issue to be considered in any future landscaping work.
- Council's proposed Youth Energy Precinct is now being reconsidered as a program of activities for young people across multiple diverse spaces. This may allow for activities in Civic Park.
- Renai will consolidate this feedback to produce the final document alongside an Action Plan detailing the immediate and longer-term actions which may be undertaken to achieve the vision set out in the Cultural Usage Plan.

## **6. OTHER BUSINESS**

No other business.

## **7. NEXT MEETING**

Thursday 8 November  
12 noon – 1.30 pm

## **8. MEETING CLOSED**

Meeting closed 1.35 pm.



# DARWIN CIVIC PARK CULTURAL USAGE CONSULTATION & PLAN

FINAL DRAFT

JUNE 2012





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# INTRODUCTION



Creative Sight was engaged to undertake a Cultural Usage Plan for Civic Park, Darwin on behalf of City of Darwin. The purpose of the plan is to confirm the vision, core components and uses for the Park in the context of:

- cultural, social and economic benefits to Darwin residents and visitors
- City of Darwin's broader direction for open spaces, arts and events
- alignment with other surrounding arts facilities and infrastructure in Darwin CBD
- defining a cultural precinct for Darwin CBD.

This report assessed the potential success of Darwin Civic Park as a cultural venue in the following areas:

- access
- image and amenity
- cultural use and activity
- community

This report will introduce both national and international case studies for similar scale cultural sites and associated programming. It reports on the consultation of City of Darwin and the Darwin cultural community's reflections on the strengths and weaknesses as a Park and potential cultural precinct. It will outline the location and context, and potential cultural programming of a typical year with recommendations for technical requirements and infrastructure. And outline recommendations for improvements in access, image and amenity, cultural use and community.



## SETTING THE SCENE



*‘Civic spaces are an extension of the community. When they work well, they serve as a stage for rich public lives. If they function in their true civic role, they can be the settings where celebrations are held, where social and economic exchanges take place, where friends run into each other, and where cultures mix.*

*They are the “front porches” of our public institutions – post offices, courthouses, federal office buildings – where we can interact with each other and with government. When cities and neighbourhoods have thriving civic spaces, residents have a strong sense of community; conversely, when such spaces are lacking, people may feel less connected to each other.*

*Great civic spaces are really great public places. They are recognized and valued in their cities and towns as places with their own special flavour that relate to and nurture the larger community and bring the public together.’*

SOURCE: Project for Public Spaces, New York

IMAGES:  
TOP ROW FROM LEFT | DARWIN CIVIC PARK, DARWIN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA | NEWCASTLE CIVIC PARK, THIS IS NOT ART FESTIVAL  
BOTTOM ROW FROM RIGHT | NEWCASTLE CIVIC PARK, ART BAZAAR | NORTH SYDNEY, CIVIC CENTRE PARK, TWILIGHT FOOD FAIR



## SETTING THE SCENE

### What Makes A Great Civic Park?

Creative Sight has referenced a framework for analysis developed by Project for Public Spaces in New York (a leading nonprofit organisation in planning and design) to define the measurements for creating a successful public space that builds stronger community.

Four key areas have been defined to establish and measure Darwin Civic Park's potential cultural usage.

#### ACCESS

The space needs to be connected to its surroundings, both visual and physical. A successful civic space is easy to get to and get through; it is visible both from a distance and up close. The edges of a space are important for safety, visibility and access - activity along the edge of a space (such as a kiosk, art installation or seating opportunities) is more interesting and generally safer to walk by than a blank wall or empty lot. Cycle paths and walkways need to lead from the adjacent spaces clearly through the space and should be functional for PWD access. Successful civic spaces have a high parking turnover and are convenient to public transit.

#### IMAGE AND CONVENIENCE

Whether a civic park is comfortable and presents itself well – has a good first impression and lasting image – is key to its success. Identity includes perceptions about safety, cleanliness, and the availability of places to sit (the importance of giving people the choice to sit where they want is generally underestimated). Women in particular are good judges on identity and image, because they tend to be more discriminating about the public spaces they use and are keenly aware of safety in public spaces.

Maintenance, cleanliness, safety and the number of people using the park are all indicators of what type identity and image a Civic space has. Nonnegotiable aspects for a convenient and comfortable public space include well-lit, well-maintained public toilets, good lighting of the space and ample seating opportunities for both groups and also pairs and single visitors.





## SETTING THE SCENE

### CULTURAL USES AND ACTIVITY

The more activities that people have an opportunity to participate in, the better the image, and richer the community its usage of the civic space. Activities are the foundation of a successful civic space. Having an event or activity gives people a reason to come to a space – and return again later. When there are no activities or events, a space will be empty and that generally indicates that something is wrong. Areas of both use and neglect need to be addressed for the space to be successful.

A cultural space presents unique opportunities for the community including: an opportunity for a unique cultural experience, a space to discover new things, community-based arts events, festival and touring events, cultural and community healing and the building of new relationships, including providing opportunities for diverse ages or ethnic groups to interact and exchange.

The usage of the space throughout both the day and night is an important component in the activity of a Civic Park. Cultural events may often occur evenings and weekends but opportunities exist for lunchtime cultural events and activities. Park activities in the space will create an community for the cultural programming of the space, such as meeting friends, picnics, BBQs, casual outdoor sports. A choice of things to do reflects on the success of a Civic Park.

The ultimate success of a Civic Park, or any public space, is how well it is managed. A management presence in the park is vital for its success, for access to programs, enquiries, issues and maintenance. How does a community or arts member access this management?

### COMMUNITY

This is a difficult quality for a place to achieve, but once attained it becomes an unmistakable feature. When people see friends, meet and greet their colleagues or acquaintances and neighbours, and also feel comfortable interacting with strangers, they tend to feel a stronger sense of place or attachment to their community – and to the place that fosters these types of social activities.

To cultivate a community within a civic space, all aspects of the space need to be functional - access and linkages, identity and image, usage and activity. Indications of building a successful community include: likelihood of “running into” people you know, meeting friends, colleagues or families, groups of people in the park, bringing visitors to the park as a place of pride, people smiling, talking and making eye contact, reflections of diversity of ethnicity and age of the larger community and regular use and familiarity of the entire place.





## SETTING THE SCENE

### Civic Park Context

Cultural venue provision in Darwin CBD and surrounding areas provide a variety of experiences during both the wet and dry season from large scale, high quality spaces to smaller intimate spaces to community arts venues.

There are also a variety of unique outdoor venues on offer for cultural activities from formal environments including Deck Chair Cinema, the Town Hall Ruins and the Waterfront Precinct to surrounding open spaces of the CBD from Bicentennial Park to Civic Park.

Outside of the CBD, the Amphitheatre and the Botanical Gardens are popular venues for cultural and community programs as well as alternative informal venues of Nightcliff and Mindi Beach.

### Location

Darwin's Civic Park, also known as Festival Park, is located in the centre of the Darwin CBD. It is surrounded by cultural and historic spaces including:

- 1. Brown's Mart Arts** - Located in the heart of the historic Brown's Mart precinct, the venue is situated in Civic Park and hosts events large and small from intimate band or theatre performances and workshops.
- 2. Old Town Hall Ruins** - The striking set of ruins from 1883 was Darwin's first Town Hall and later used as a military building. It survived the wartime bombings, but was reduced to its current state by Cyclone Tracy. It has been used in the past for theatre productions and temporary art installations.
- 3. Darwin's Bust** - A successful piece of interactive public art located in Civic Square near the City of Darwin Civic Centre and Library. The work is the bust of the young Charles Darwin, surrounded by several bell-shaped pieces with different species of native birds on top, a tribute to the scientist's observational work.
- 4. Stone Remnants** - In the same part of town are various stone buildings which managed to survive warfare, cyclones and even the reckless demolition efforts of past Territory governments.





## SETTING THE SCENE



**5. City Library** - City of Darwin Libraries are home to the Northern Territory's largest public library service - the four libraries, Casuarina, City, Karama and Nightcliff, are provided by the City of Darwin with assistance from the Northern Territory Government. The libraries provide a customer focused lending, reference and information service which promotes and supports the recreational and lifelong learning needs of the community.

**6. Christ the King Cathedral** - An inclusive and culturally engaged Anglican Church. The Cyclone Tracy Memorial Window - Set into the harbour wall, behind and to the right of the altar, is a contemporary-style stained glass window. Designed by Darwin artist George Chaloupka, it represents fishing nets and the upsurge of waves during a cyclone. The coloured glass in pastel shades was imported from England.

**7. Chan Contemporary Art Space** - Managed by Northern Territory Government. Chan Contemporary Art Space provides exhibition space for local artists and curators.

**8. Smith Street Walkway and Skybridge** - The Darwin Waterfront Precinct is connected to the heart of Darwin city by a Sky Bridge and the Smith Street East Walkway, both offering wheelchair (PWD) access via lifts and ramps. This walkway passes the parklands of Civic Park and incorporates public art.

**9. Darwin Waterfront Precinct** - The Darwin Waterfront is a new destination centred around Darwin's tropical lifestyle. It includes residential and hotel accommodation, Darwin Convention Centre, Wave pool, and dining. A network of walkways, promenades and decks lets visitors walk, jog or ride between the land and water, spanning both new and historical landmarks of the Darwin Waterfront Precinct. Darwin Waterfront also hosts family free events including outdoor cinema, cultural event celebrations including Chinese New Year and New Year Eves celebrations and craft markets. Darwin Waterfront is the gateway for the Cruiseline Terminal.

**10. Smith Street Mall** - Smith Street Mall is known by different names 'The Mall', 'Knuckey Street Mall', 'Darwin Mall', 'Town Mall' are some of them. Smith Street Mall is Darwin's shopping destination in the Darwin Central Business District. It includes Raintree Park, public art and children's playground.



# BENCHMARKS

## Precinct Case Study: Salamanca Place, Hobart



### INTRODUCTION

Salamanca Place is a small cultural, retail/dining and park precinct and one of Tasmania's iconic destinations amongst both locals and visitors. Within Salamanca Place is a core outdoor green space that is converted to a venue for both cultural and community events. Within the greater Salamanca precinct are restaurants, shops, Salamanca Arts Centre Courtyard, pubs, galleries, craft shops and the iconic Salamanca Market. Comparisons can be drawn to Darwin Civic Park in the proximity to the CBD and Waterfront, cultural venues programming music, visual art, performance and also festival events and park usage.

### ACCESS

Salamanca Place, in Sullivans Cove, is centrally located next to the Hobart waterfront and is well-serviced by public transport (and is just about within walking distance from anywhere in Hobart). The park is well maintained with good places to sit, and is extremely busy during the markets. Sight lines are all kept clear, and trees are trimmed well from the ground plane to head height, with good visibility from all entry points to and from Salamanca Place.

### IMAGE & COMFORT

Salamanca Place has a strong and well known identity as a cultural, retail/dining and park precinct and a place of creative diversity and community. The markets are well-known to both tourists and locals, but beyond the markets is a village-like hub of creative spaces and businesses adjacent to the parkland strip. Salamanca Place has well maintained green lawns and park benches shaded by plane trees that are lit with lights in the evenings. It is a common place to picnic on weekends and is an iconic destination for tourists. Salamanca has a dedicated website for market enquires.

### CULTURAL USES & ACTIVITIES

Salamanca Place is an important venue for a rich cultural program with the main events of the Festival of Voices and the MONA FOMA Festival utilising the surrounding buildings and parklands. The markets include music programming and busking and Hobart's funkier music scene gypsy, jazz and swing music Salamanca offers the 'smARTmap' listing the galleries, craft shops, bookshops and artists in the immediate area

### COMMUNITY

Salamanca Place is a central community hub connecting the arts, retail and dining, local producers and craftspersons, and providing a well known site for public celebrations and special events such as MONA FOMA. The site is always active.



# BENCHMARKS

## Precinct Case Study: City Central Precinct, Wodonga



The key event sites in the Wodonga City Central Precinct are: Wodonga Civic Centre (3), Arts Space Wodonga (2), Stanley Street (1 - Image bottom right), and Woodland Grove (2 - Images Top right and Bottom Left). This precinct holds a number of comparisons to Darwin Civic Park in terms of CBD location, proximity to both performing and visual arts venues, main street access and flexibility of Woodland Grove.

### ACCESS

The key event sites are located in the centre of the CBD situated in the central business district of Wodonga. All venues are within a short walk of each other and from most other places in the CBD. Public transport is within close proximity of the venues. Parking for the Civic Centre is available. Sightlines are clear and open in Woodland Grove.

### IMAGE AND AMENITY

With a focus on Woodland Grove as a benchmark for Civic Park, the centrally located venue offers both artistic yet functional seating and arbours, and works both as a successful events venue and also a well maintained and welcoming central park. The site has level surfaces, site includes turfed, paved and concreted areas. The site also has 6 x (2 Phase) and 4 x 3 phase power, water and site lighting, as well as toilets and baby change room.

### CULTURAL USES AND ACTIVITIES

An initiative of City of Wodonga, has been to provide a 64 page venue guide for potential hirers with location maps and information, technical information and venue floor plans/site plans/layouts. A wide range of functions and events are held in the Wodonga Civic Centre including concerts, conferences, performances, conventions, forums and exhibitions. Arts Space Wodonga offers an eclectic program of unique exhibitions, intimate performances, workshops, recitals and forums and features local, regional and imported cultural works. Woodland Grove is the central green space within the central business district, containing artistic features including arbours and “the ensemble” (usable art with children’s play functions). Woodland Grove is a user friendly and unique venue space in the heart of the CBD. Stanley Street has hosted many events including Summer in the City Concerts, ‘Smoke Salt Skin’ Festival, Wodonga Carnivale and several other exhibitions.

### COMMUNITY

The central precinct is frequently accessed but locals and visitors, with strong programming of events and a diversity of visitors. This precinct has lived up to its potential and purpose of creating a new heart for the city.



# BENCHMARKS

## Precinct Case Study: Gallivan Centre, Salt Lake City

Gallivan Centre is a 5-acre park with public art, skating rink, performance stage and a variety of places to sit and eat, think, people watch, enjoy a concert, and watch skaters. It is a delightful respite in the heart of the CBD.

### ACCESS

The Gallivan Centre is accessible from the entire City through a variety of types of approaches, and from all directions. It has a light rail transit stop to the west, and bus stops on three sides. Inviting pedestrian access is available; walkways and pedestrian surfaces are 12"x12" granite and precast pavers.

### IMAGE AND AMENITY

The space is welcoming from the perimeter and within. There is a good mix of people, gender and socio-economic groups. Maintenance and security staffs are on site. Motorized vehicles are not permitted, although it is built over a three level, 2000-car parking structure. There are attractive changes of levels in the surface, and it is fully accessible for PWD access. The site is used for various concerts, performances, private parties, informal gatherings and special events and provides lighting, water, public toilets, power to the site and excellent venue support.

### CULTURAL USES AND ACTIVITIES

The Gallivan centre is extremely well used. The grassy plot is currently used for public markets, concert viewing, meeting friends and picnics. The Gallivan Centre website fields all enquiries for events, private functions and offers a diverse and rich program. During the 2002 Winter Olympics, Budweiser used this entire site as their centre of activity.

### COMMUNITY

People regularly meet friends at the centre and frequently choose to dine at a restaurant that overlooks and spills out into the central plaza. People come from various parts of the city to show off the precinct and to participate in the events.





## BENCHMARKS

### Precinct Development Case Study: Civic Place, Parramatta

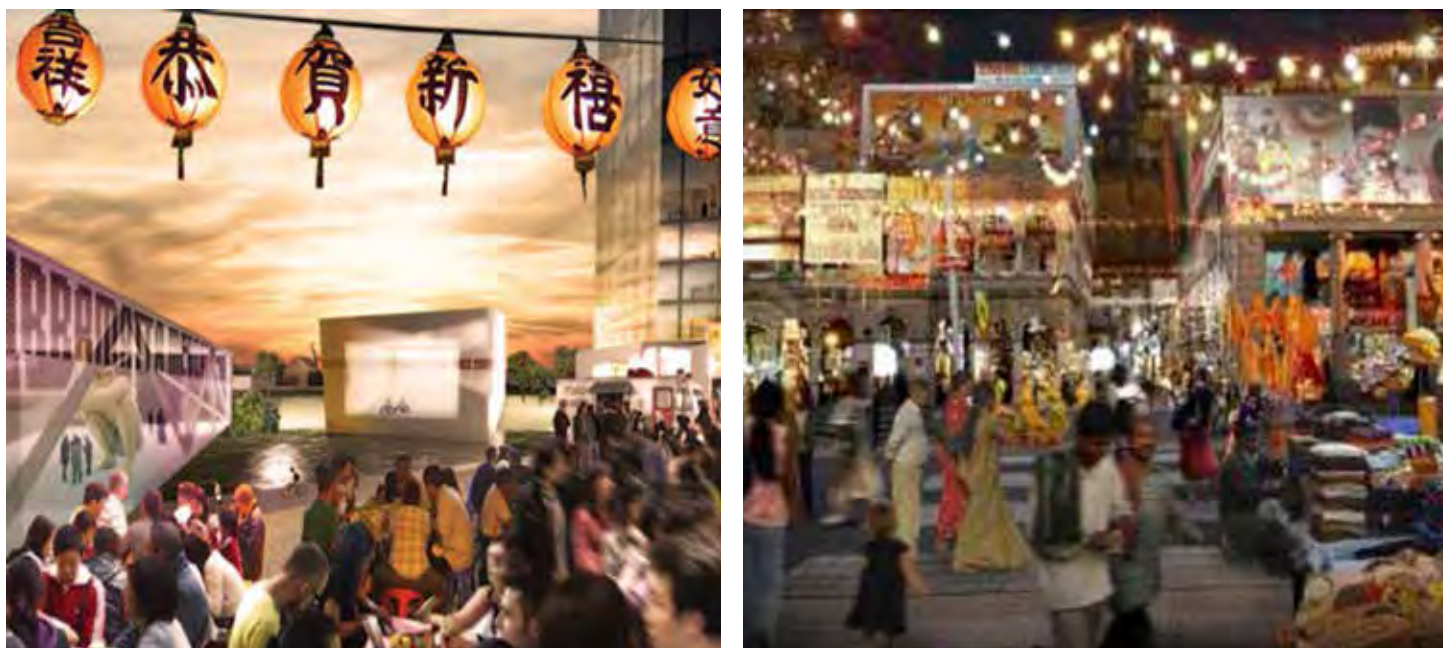
This case study outlines the relevant cultural aspects of the proposed development and refurbishment of the Civic Place in Parramatta. This case study is presented as an example of how cultural activity forms the core driver in design, facility and amenity, connectivity, animation, use of place and community engagement. This approach follows the success of other central cultural precincts such as Federation Square in Melbourne or the QAGOMA Precinct including The Edge, State Library and plaza/grassed areas. Whilst the Parramatta Civic Place case study is above the scope of the current Darwin Civic Park, it provides a current framework and benchmark for the development of a cultural precinct from an established Civic Space.

The current social and cultural significance of the proposed Parramatta Civic Place site is multilayered. The site has been recognised by the community as performing a number of important social and cultural functions from a civic/meeting/gathering/celebration/market place to a venue that provides strong links to Parramatta's past. This is the foundation for the Arts and Cultural Precinct in Parramatta and runs parallel to the potential Darwin Civic Park uses.

Parramatta has identified the following strategies that will attract and sustain diverse recreational, cultural and community activities and events.

- Encouraging the development of flexible spaces and places to easily cater for a range of arts and cultural activity including events, festivals, markets, outdoor dining by implementing infrastructure improvements such as widened footpaths, provision of power and water, design of flexible and robust public spaces
- Supporting the establishment of arts and cultural spaces in public and commercial developments
- Developing and celebrating the city's small spaces including laneways through creative and adaptive makeovers
- Ensuring that the city centre is well managed – i.e. clean, green, easily accessible and operating well.
- Developing an active events and temporal public art program for the city that would engage people in the life of the city; demonstrate and deliver a diversity of life understandings and perspectives; celebrate and promote urban form and the natural environment through the innovative use of place and space, encourage local creative enterprise; and boosts the local economy – day and night.

A strong consideration for Darwin Civic Park forming a new Darwin Cultural Precinct will be its success as a civic space first and foremost. The success of how the park is upgraded, managed, branded, maintained and embraced by the arts and wider community will form the foundation for building a leading cultural precinct.





# CONSULTATION

## Darwin Civic Park Consultation Findings



Consultation has been undertaken through telephone interviews as well as focus group discussions with:

- ACDAC Focus Group
- City of Darwin Focus Group
- Darwin Artists and Organisation Focus Group
- Darwin Artists and Organisations

Interviewees indicated that Civic Park Darwin has a range of perceptions of image and use in both a community and cultural context. These findings have been summarised within this report under the following sections: Access, Image and Amenity, Cultural Uses and Activities and Community.

The main gaps or weaknesses were said to be:

- public amenity
- power
- lighting
- amenities which impact on the ease of delivery for cultural activities including staging and sight lines

The other main finding has been the need for a management of the park with regards to booking access, programming and promotion.

The main strength is that the park is currently seen as a viable outdoor cultural venue with good flexibility and holds a diverse potential audience for the park.

Potential Users and Audience of Darwin Civic Park may include:

- 75,000 tourists from cruise ships
- CBD workers
- Parliament, Courts, library staff and visitors
- Dry season tourists
- Children and Schools
- Cultural groups



# CONSULTATION

## ACCESS | CONSULTATION FINDINGS:

Consultation revealed a strong consensus on the convenience and current access and linkages. The location is central and within walking distance and surrounded by the major civic institutions and cultural venues. Currently users are deterred by the restricted sight-lines, caused by tree foliage, and lack of evening lighting of the park affecting perceptions of safety.

### LOCATION

- the park is in an excellent central location close to the CBD and Waterfront
- close to City of Darwin offices which is a benefit to all users in terms of provision, supervision, P.R.
- a large flexible space for cultural programming and community use

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

- proximity of bus terminal allows easy public transport
- noise from the bus terminal was an issue

### TRAFFIC

- congested vehicle traffic during day
- access for heavy machinery and trucks for cultural event production, needs research and recommendations on ground treatment, maintenance, access routes, safety issues

### PARKING

- parking is better during the evening and weekends

### PEDESTRIAN ACCESS, MOBILITY

- the consultation revealed a very strong request for pathway upgrades and the development of clear maintained walkways throughout the site
- edges and entrances to the park defined clearly with signage and better maintained
- definition of pedestrian/cyclist and vehicular routes
- disability access needs improvement
- presents a strong linkage opportunity – via Smith Street connection, NTG Civic Square, Waterfront, Bennett Park

### SAFETY AND SIGHT-LINES

- strong request for landscaping and tree trimming for clearer open visibility due to safety concerns





# CONSULTATION



## IMAGE & CONVENIENCE | CONSULTATION FINDINGS:

Consultation revealed that the Park is currently perceived as a cultural event destination mainly due to the Darwin Festivals presence and its proximity to Browns Mart and Happy Yess. It also perceived as a daytime and nighttime cultural event venue, however, perceived issues of safety impacted the community use outside of this programming.

### PUBLIC PERCEPTION, IDENTITY, BRANDING

- Civic Park is the current name but could be kept with a byline, or completely re-branded
- cultural reference is requested if re-branding
- naming should be quirky/creative reflecting the “culture park/festival park” precinct
- could be branded as part of a precinct as opposed to Civic Park
- a main entrance with title of the park to be built
- request for signage for amenities, ‘what’s on’ and other information such as a map of the park and greater precinct
- desire for a welcoming comfortable place
- to be a place to rest

### AMENITIES, COMFORT, SEATING

- overwhelming request for public toilets
- request for a number of seating opportunities for both groups and solo visitors
- shade structures - shaded areas needed for daytime events
- rent a deck chair potential program or providing temporary seating during the day
- permanent, attractive, evening lighting is of major importance

### MAINTENANCE

- tree trimming, maintenance and general tidyness to be improved for personal safety and welcoming energy
- damage to park/turf needs improvement
- major requests for pathway upgrade
- a strong voice that trees need to be kept

## CONSULTATION

### CULTURAL USES & ACTIVITIES | CONSULTATION FINDINGS:

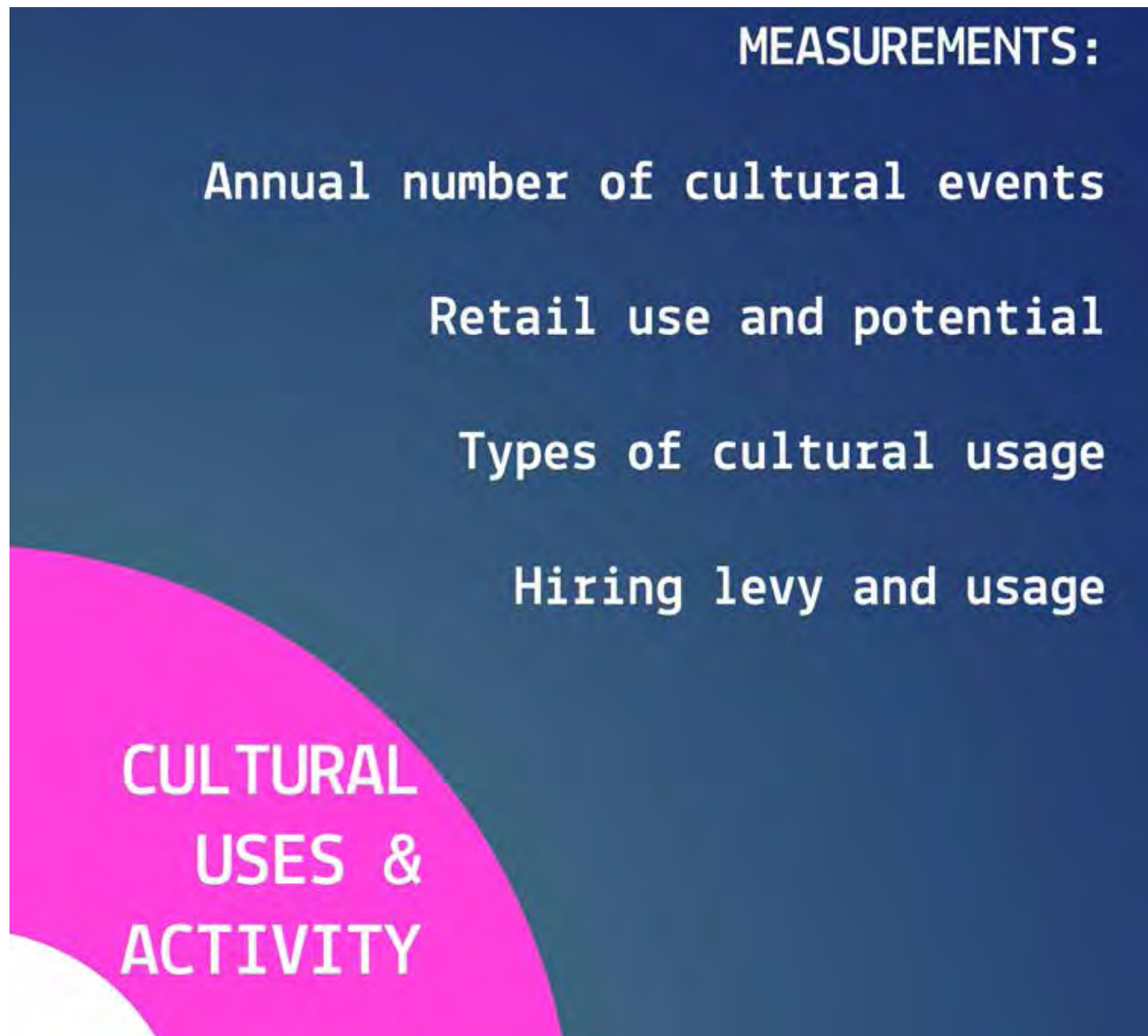
Consultation revealed that the park is currently used, but under-utilised, as a cultural venue, and under-utilised as a community park. Civic Park is recognised as having many strengths as a cultural venue, providing the main weaknesses of management, amenity and technical support and are addressed. A range of perceptions and also suggestions were recorded during the focus groups and phone interviews. These are summarised on the following pages.

#### CURRENT CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY USES OF CIVIC PARK

- Darwin Festival
- Writers Festival
- One off performance events
- Charles Darwin Commemoration
- A community space for sitting
- Fair days
- Pride Festival
- Fun Bus Playgroup
- Tourists visiting the Beagle Bells
- Browns Mart Events
- Fridge Festival
- Church events

#### PREVIOUS CULTURAL EVENTS

- Fist Full of Films Festival
- The Big Gig
- Sculpture in Park



# CONSULTATION



## MANAGEMENT, BOOKINGS, MARKETING, ACCESS TO USAGE

- marketer/facilitator/coordinator of Civic Park is needed (could be a part-time position or a role for an open space coordinator)
- create an events pack – a package available to potential hirers outlining the specs of the site and potential venues
- Civic Park needs a website or well-run dedicated page for information including:
  - main contact/s
  - hire costs
  - policy and guidelines on use
  - criteria of event and hire suitability
  - restrictions on park usage
  - permits
  - insurances (could be recommendations for gear and public liability)
  - safety guidelines
  - timelines for events and logistics
  - cleaning and site restoration
  - security
  - checklists of all necessary materials
- office i.e. a place for enquiries within City of Darwin offices or a “manned phone” for coordination, enquiries and bookings
- survey/feedback option on website on events by users (both organisations and attendees)
- communication across different users/owners for sharing of resources and skills
- integration with all other parks around CBD
- a focus on youth and seniors in the cultural program
- predominantly program free events (not the exclusion of a big ticketed event) keep it open for ease of use and reduction of costs
- program both day and evening events

## CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES, EVENT PROGRAMMING

- request to create “A beautiful place” to host events outdoors
- program of cultural events, art performance and visual culture
- a Civic precinct carnival
- ongoing light sculptures commissioned by City of Darwin – this would assist night security
- potential for extension of special events from Browns Mart/Chan Contemporary Art Space/Town Hall Ruins
- regular music in the park – public program for music
- incorporated arts walk with other parks
- bring back bar or “Blue bar” in the park
- “My sisters kitchen” in the park, or container food like market stalls or a coffee van during cultural events
- permanent sculpture
- An interactive sculpture garden for kids - cultural engagement of children
- Lunchtime program of cultural activities: eg. dance, music



## CONSULTATION



### CULTURAL USES & ACTIVITY

#### EVENT INFRASTRUCTURE, HIRE COSTS, LICENSING

- provision of fencing/staging/lighting
- 3 phase power is needed for many events
- toilets, taps or bubblers are desperately needed
- keep staging flexible through an affordable stage hire
- if a permanent stage is built (i.e. a simple concrete slab), it needs to be able to be extended or built upon, although a fixed stage may be competing with Happy Yess and will need to be negotiated sensitively
- permission for blockage of road policy in place for ease of users – protocol or streamlined process to enable bigger events
- ease of dealing with licensing - City of Darwin to provide protocol or streamlined process
- liquor licensing could run through Browns Mart creating income for Browns Mart – depending on event.
- don't reduce space of the park, for example, for car-parking
- permanent lighting in or on the trees – i.e. LED lights through the trees or up-lit tree
- bump-in and bump-out and soundchecks at Happy Yess are affected by events in the park

#### CASUAL PARK USAGE, DAY AND NIGHT USAGE

- make it the hub for: City of Darwin, Browns Mart, Smith Street Mall, Darwin Esplanade, Parliament House, Cathedral
- a kiosk or coffee cart would draw CBD workers into the park
- request to create a vibrant place to go, a welcoming comfortable place and a place to rest
- off-the-leash area in less used places within the park
- lunchtime activities encouraged: lifestyle space, exercise, meditation group, reading, chatting, meeting, eating, tai chi
- temporary skating rink
- free WIFI would encourage more people to use the space and work or check in
- garden for tropical plants for the wet season
- more seats are needed to encourage more usage
- BBQs
- shaded areas for daytime events are needed

## CONSULTATION

### MEASUREMENTS:

Number of women, children & elderly

Volunteers/friends of the park

Resident, visitor, worker use

Surrounding street use

Evening use

Social use

COMMUNITY

### COMMUNITY | CONSULTATION FINDINGS:

Darwin Civic Park currently lacks social community usage and energy, beyond the intermittent events held at the park. With no “natural” civic or meeting place in the Darwin City or CBD. Civic Park is in a strong position to form a central community hub for diverse groups of people. It is also in a strong position to link the arts organisations and other facilities such as the library, forming a central location and potential point of connection for the arts activities that have developed around it.

#### MEETINGS AND COMMUNITY GATHERINGS, EVENING USE

- Without event programming and sufficient lighting is considered an unsafe place at night
- Current community use is low, due to image, amenities, sightlines and safety, welcoming spaces, places to sit, pathways and maintenance.

#### VOLUNTEER OPTIONS

- form a “Friends of the Park” community group who meet and discuss the parks current strengths and weaknesses with the Civic Park manager
- Tim Newth of Tracks Dance, expressed his passion and interest in developing and supporting the park as a cultural venue, and has suggested an advisory group committee of key stakeholders that work with City of Darwin in the implementation



# CULTURAL PROGRAM

## Darwin Civic Park Annual Program Example

Following is an example of potential events and an annual cultural program from the recommended 3 year cultural program led by City of Darwin. This program will complement a potential larger Darwin Cultural Precinct Program involving surrounding cultural venues. A range of events have been included in the program comprised of both large and small scale events, one-off events, short programs, workshops, and community activities. This program has been provided with the expectation that the recommended critical factors for Civic Park have been addressed.

### Types of Events:

#### CITY OF DARWIN EVENTS

These events are to form the core of the annual cultural program in addition to the funded City of Darwin cultural product, Darwin Festival and other booked events. The City of Darwin events may include:

- temporary public art festival
- festival of lights with community art and children's workshops
- children's art festival
- writers festival
- Friday lunchtime concert series
- navigating history, library sessions, book clubs or reading groups related to the site
- community workshops complementing major events
- community/artist horticultural projects
- Fun Bus

#### MAJOR CULTURAL EVENTS

Darwin Festival and other events of scale.

Tracks Dance Production

Darwin Theatre Company event

#### NEIGHBOURING ORGANISATION EVENTS

Browns Mart Productions

Happy Yess Outdoor Music Festival and Happy Yess Markets





## CULTURAL PROGRAM



### COMMUNITY EVENTS

Community events may include local group meetings or activities, local cultural groups and events for diversity. Youth and elderly focussed events.

### FUNCTION AND COMMUNITY BOOKINGS

This includes weddings, private functions and potential church usage. The development of Civic Park as a cultural venue with good amenities, technical support and maintenance of the site allows for potential income streams from private bookings. As the site is a public park, the types of events suitable would be dependant on space requirements and suitability of event.

### Events Schedule | Event Examples

#### Annual Program Launch

Towards mid-late January, the Open Space Cultural Program Coordinator would prepare for the digital launch of the Annual Program for the park and surrounding cultural precinct in February. This is envisaged as a combination of email and website outlining the main City of Darwin programmed events as well as potentially Darwin Cultural Precinct events, major bookings and pre-booked cultural events. This program would set-up the cultural framework for the park, whilst still maintaining a flexibility for ongoing booking on a small or casual nature.

#### FEBRUARY

##### Program Development

The Open Space Cultural Program Coordinator would continue to prepare for the years program, look to develop marketing opportunities, promotion of Civic Park as well as the surrounding Cultural Precinct events to community and arts groups/organisations, grants and funding research, bookings, community and arts sector liaising and opportunities for income for the Civic Park through commercial hire or sponsorship.

#### MARCH

As the program starts to gain momentum, events with strong community focus are recommended to launch the years cultural events. The main launch event may involve a weekend of local craft and food markets hosted by Happy Yess, with temporary public art and musical programming in the evening. The opening event could become an opportunity for branding/sponsorship of the Annual Program and the event itself as well as the launch of the Darwin Cultural Precinct. March would see the beginning of the structure of events set out by the City of Darwin program until October involving regular programs of weekly and fortnightly events.



## CULTURAL PROGRAM



### APRIL - JULY

April to July would offer a selection of City of Darwin events from a weekly lunchtime event, to small scale monthly event and occasional large scale or festival events such as a lighting or public art festival as outlined above.

Partnerships and infrastructure would allow for a greater number of the arts community to have access to producing events and festivals

### AUGUST

During the Darwin Festival, Civic Park would be given an opportunity to be showcased as a festival venue building on the program and logistical developments of the rebranding and programming by City of Darwin.

### SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

September October would complete the selection of City of Darwin events, programming a weekly lunchtime event, to small scale monthly event.

### NOVEMBER - DECEMBER

During the wet season, opportunities for planting, regeneration or garden events implemented in late October/early November.

### COMMERCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE TO COMPLEMENT PROGRAM

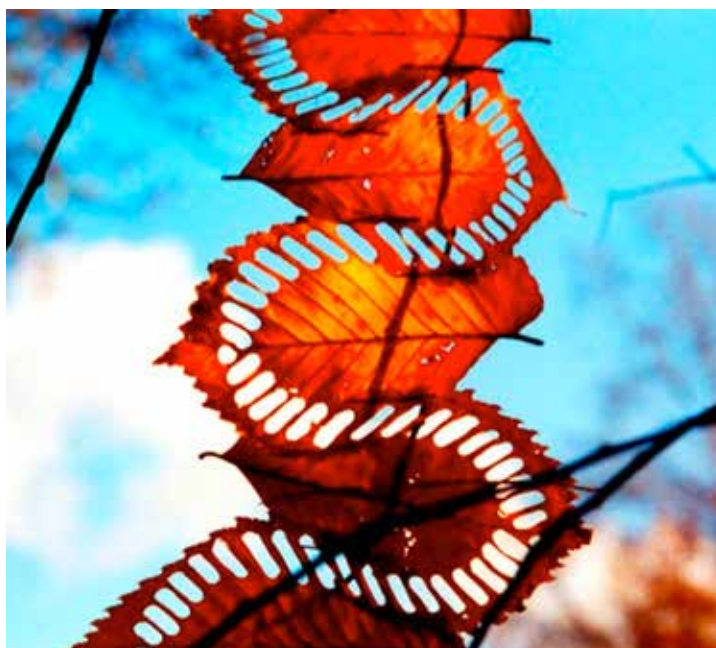
- local produce based kiosk
- coffee cart

IMAGE

LEFT | THE PERTH TWILIGHT HAWKER MARKETS



## RECOMMENDATIONS



Creative Sight have identified both critical and key factors for the success of Darwin Civic Park both as a cultural venue and community parkland.

### CRITICAL FACTORS FOR SUCCESS:

- A City of Darwin employee who is a dedicated Open Space Program Coordinator: information source, booking coordinator and marketing/promoter of the Darwin's open space venues including Civic Park.
- City of Darwin commitment to the initiation of cultural programming over a 3 year start up period. This will include City of Darwin cultural programming alongside other cultural and community events.
- Clear signage of the park or precinct including how to access information and bookings
- Maintenance and upgrade of pathways
- Basic public amenities of public toilets, taps and seating
- Lighting in the evenings
- Safety increased by tree trimming for clear sight-lines and an increased security patrol presence in the evening
- Strong communication and mediation of key stakeholder interests including City of Darwin, Darwin Festival, Happy Yess, Browns Mart and Christ Church Cathedral and other arts organisations who have a past or future interest in the venue.
- Ease of access and cost effectiveness for the core technical and security needs of small organisations and community events. This includes addressing:
  - 3 phase power
  - staging, addressing the possibility of a basic permanent stage or hire stage
  - access to affordable P.A.
  - on site technical support
  - recommendations for provision of security, licensing, licensed areas.



## RECOMMENDATIONS



### KEY FACTORS FOR SUCCESS:

- Civic Park re-branding and website
- Good ongoing management of the park as a venue, community space and potential income stream for City of Darwin
- Good community engagement and inclusion by the Civic Park Manager
- Information Pack for potential hirers for community and cultural events
- Good documentation of successful events
- Ongoing site maintenance of a high standard
- Good data capture of feedback from hirers and users of the site
- Good communication and relationship management with key stakeholders
- Development and research of parks and venues usage and capacity across Darwin City
- Entrepreneurial outlook in relation to ongoing park usage and potential

It is recommended that the City of Darwin implement the critical factors for success. It will then be in a position to strategically collaborate with surrounding organisations and the NT Government to develop a Cultural Precinct within Darwin's CBD. The success of Civic Park will evolve through innovative programming, delivery and marketing of Civic Park's cultural events by the City of Darwin alongside Browns Mart, Happy Yess and Chan Contemporary Art Space programs.

**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES  
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**AGENDA ITEM: 9.7**
**COUNCIL SUPPORT FOR GOOD SPORTS PROGRAM**
**REPORT No.: 12C0083 FR:kl**
**COMMON No.: 2334427**
**DATE: 22/10/2012**
**Presenter: Recreation And Open Space Coordinator, Aili Robinson**
**Approved: A/General Manager Community & Cultural Services, Katie Hearn**
**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to respond to a request from the Australian Drug Foundation (ADF) for City of Darwin to endorse the *Good Sports* program. The program aims to foster positive health and sporting environments within the community and reduce prevalence of alcohol.

**LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

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**

2 Enhance Darwin's Active, Positive and Flexible Lifestyle

**Outcome**

2.3 Promote family friendly activities

**Key Strategies**

2.3.1 Promote and host family orientated recreational and leisure activity

**KEY ISSUES**

Alcohol is a leading cause of preventable death, illness and damage in Australia. The *Good Sports* national program assists people and communities build stronger, healthier sporting clubs. City of Darwin has the opportunity to support and promote the program to Northern Territory peak sporting bodies that represent local clubs that may be eligible to be involved in the program.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

That it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 12C0083 FR:kl entitled Council Support For Good Sports Program, be received and noted
- B. THAT Council endorse the program and promote to NT peak sporting bodies.

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## **BACKGROUND**

The Australian Drug Foundation's *Good Sports* program offers a range of programs to help change the culture of drinking in sport. The primary goal of the program is to build healthy clubs, happy families and strong communities by assisting clubs implement Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA) management practices.

The *Good Sports* program has been running successfully since 2000 and currently works in more than 5,000 clubs across all sports groups nationally to manage alcohol across Australia and ensure sport and family come first. The following benefits are achieved through the program:

- **Parents** know their children and all young people are protected from the misuse of alcohol in and around the club
- **Communities** benefit from reduced noise, injury, damage and drink driving incidents relating to sports club events and enjoy a better public image
- **Players** appreciate an improved club culture that is more attractive to sponsors, families, juniors, teams and volunteers, along with better community relations and a stronger chance of funding or revenue options. [Source: [www.goodsports.com.au](http://www.goodsports.com.au)]

Research has also indicated that *Good Sports* clubs encourage more members and sponsors therefore increasing their revenue.

The *Good Sports* program is successful in achieving results with its unique accreditation program, ongoing research and interaction with clubs. The three-level accreditation criteria define alcohol management standards for clubs that serve and consume alcohol. Clubs need to move through the levels over a five year period and maintain all criteria from previous levels.

A *Good Sports* project officer assists the club through the entire process with materials, one-on-one visits and ongoing support. Research and collecting information helps verify that the program is having an impact. This information, along with testimonials from clubs, ensures proof of the program's effectiveness and each club's future viability.

The stages of accreditation are as follows:

### **Level 1:**

- Liquor license
- Bar management (RSA training)
- Smoke-free environment

### **Level 2:**

- Maintain Level 1 criteria
- Enhanced bar management (RSA training, etc)
- Food and drink options (low and non alcoholic)
- Safe transport policy
- Diverse revenue generation

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### **Level 3:**

- Maintain Level 1 & 2 criteria
- Alcohol management policy

At each level the club must promote their involvement to their members.

Clubs that **do not serve or consume alcohol may apply for Level 0:**

### **Level 0:**

- Alcohol-free facilities
- Smoke-free
- Diverse revenue generation
- Promotion (*Good Sports* program)
- Safe transport policy
- Alcohol management policy

## **DISCUSSION**

The following clubs within the Darwin region have current Level 1 Accreditation with the *Good Sports* Program:

Nightcliff Cricket Club, Nightcliff  
 Pint Cricket Club, Marrara  
 Waratah Cricket Club, Darwin  
 St Mary's Football Club, Darwin  
 Nightcliff Netball Club, Nightcliff  
 NT Rugby League, Ludmilla  
 University Sharks Rugby League, Casuarina

Through support and promotion of the *Good Sports* program, local sport clubs will be assisted to:

- Reduce binge or harmful drinking
- Reduce underage drinking
- Reduce drink driving
- Reduce violence and aggression

*Good Sports* will also help clubs to:

- Increase revenue
- Find new sponsorship opportunities
- Increase members
- Increase female and junior participation (more family-friendly)
- Raise community support and respect

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In addition, the *Good Sports* program will help local clubs achieve these benefits through policies such as:

- Safe transport
- Smoke-free club rooms
- Alcohol alternative fundraising
- Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA) training

### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

In preparing this Report the following parties were consulted:

General Manager Community & Cultural Services  
 Manager Liveability  
 Healthy Darwin Coordinator

NT Manager Good Sports, Australian Drug Foundation

### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Policy 008 Community Services, Cultural and Social General

Council seeks to provide services, facilities and programs that are appropriate to the needs of its area and to ensure equitable access to its services, facilities and programs.

### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

The *Good Sports* program is a free community program to any registered sports clubs. No additional funds are required by Council for delivery of the program. The amount and level of in-kind support from Council to promote the program to local sporting clubs is considered minor.

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

Sport clubs are expected to show a duty of care for their members and it is a requirement by law that anyone selling or serving alcohol in a licensed venue must be RSA trained. Alcohol management not only provides young members with a safe and healthy environment, it can also assist in mitigating legal risks and improving sport club's public image.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

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### **COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

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

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**Attachment A:** A New Game Plan – Sports Resource



# a new game plan

changing the alcohol focus  
in Australian sport





**Sport has the power to change the world, the power to inspire, the power to unite people in a way that little else can... sport can create hope where there was once only despair.**

Nelson Mandela

### **Sport is central to Australian culture.**

**Across the country, there are over 35,000 sporting clubs and organisations that attract countless people who participate in the lives of these clubs.**

With so many people involved in sport, it really does have the power to change lives.

And yet, in Australia, the prevalent culture of drinking in sporting clubs has impeded sport's potential to make a difference. This culture really contradicts the purpose of sport – that is, to promote healthy people and strong communities.

It's time for more sporting clubs and sports administrators to help re-write the record books when it comes to sport and its role in the community. At the same time, the media's insatiable attention on sporting heroes and teams will focus on the triumphs and celebrate sport for what it should be.

This publication is designed to help sports leaders, administrators and volunteers to implement a new game plan when it comes to alcohol – to truly realise their potential for success and minimise the harm that alcohol can cause.

It uses a selection of case studies as best practice evidence of the efficacy of the Australian Drug Foundation's programs. These case studies – from local tennis and football clubs to entire sporting leagues – are but a few of many stories that come out of the Australian Drug Foundation every year, and are great examples of our programs at work.





# Celebrating a new game plan in sporting clubs

More people and players participating in clubs, increased membership, a boost in sponsorship revenue, and a more welcoming environment for children and families; these are just some of the benefits that come with changing your club's attitude towards alcohol.

Around Australia, more and more sporting clubs are making a concerted effort to change the drinking culture within their club, having seen the damage alcohol can do – to individuals, to the club and to the community.

These clubs are reaping the rewards of their actions. By managing alcohol better, they experience real change in the areas of risky drinking, drink driving and alcohol related violence.

Clubs are diversifying their income base, increasing their revenue from sponsorship, and more people and players are participating in their club, which is becoming the heart of their community. The clubs prosper, the people within the clubs genuinely care about each other's wellbeing, and a marked sense of belonging prevails.

From grassroots sports clubs that welcome their local members on Friday nights, to elite and professional sporting organisations that have a sweeping influence across the community – positive change is taking place.

Working with the Australian Drug Foundation, you too can implement programs that transform your club and create a powerful culture that benefits members, sponsors and the greater community.



## Does your club need to change its game plan?

The statistics around alcohol misuse and sporting clubs are pretty grim, pointing to issues that most clubs would rather not see on their home grounds. Things like poor on-field behaviour, violence amongst spectators, abuse hurled at game officials, low club memberships, and drink-driving offences, are just some of the reasons that stop children and families involving themselves in sport.

In a national survey of sports clubs<sup>i</sup>:

- one in five consume 7 or more drinks in a night
- 45% of men and 41% of women aged 18-30 drink at levels known to harm long-term health
- 27% of club members aged 18-30 are driving home after 5 or more drinks.

In another study of community level AFL, Australian Rugby Union, Australian Rugby League, cricket, tennis and surf life saving clubs, 34% of club members reported consuming five or more standard drinks on each club visit – markedly higher than what people in the general community would consume<sup>ii</sup>.

These statistics are not exclusive to sport. Excessive drinking is having harmful effects across Australia. Recent statistics show that:

- more than 3,000 Australians die each year as a result of harmful drinking<sup>iii</sup>
- one in five school students aged 6-17 years is drinking alcohol at harmful levels<sup>iv</sup>
- almost half a million children live in homes where they are at risk of exposure to binge drinking by at least one adult<sup>v</sup>
- alcohol abuse costs Australian taxpayers \$15.3 billion each year from crime and violence, medical treatment, loss of productivity and death.<sup>vi</sup>

Drinking at risky levels has an impact on much more than just the individual. The whole club and, beyond that, the community suffer the effects of too much drinking. Families don't want to join the club, team morale slides and community safety is threatened.



# You can change the score

The good news is that we can all re-write the statistics of alcohol and sport. From the elite level right through to community sporting clubs, the Australian Drug Foundation offers a range of programs to help change the culture of drinking in sport.

One such program, aimed at community sporting clubs, is called *Good Sports*. Right now, more than 5,000 community sporting clubs and their one million participants are involved in the *Good Sports* program across Australia.

In short, *Good Sports* reduces excessive drinking. Research shows that risky drinking among club members drops 22% on match day, short-term risky drinking drops 15% and long-term risky drinking drops 14%. Overall, research suggests that *Good Sports* clubs have 36% less people drinking at risky levels, compared with clubs not involved in the *Good Sports* program.<sup>vii</sup>

*Good Sports* clubs also report a reduction in drink driving and aggressive behaviour. They enjoy a boost to their income streams, attracting more sponsorship and more members (particularly juniors, females and families) as a result of changing their club's culture.

More importantly, *Good Sports* club members report a higher level of connection within their community and say they are proud that their club has become the heart of the community.



\*As at March 2012  
Current annual growth rate 20%

The *Good Hosts* program is another example of how the Australian Drug Foundation helps organisations to better manage their events safely, inclusively and in an environment that reinforces their own values. This program is aimed at educating organisations – whether sporting or otherwise – to deal with

alcohol in a more responsible way, thus minimising the risk of intoxication or harm at workplace events. In doing so, they reap a number of benefits – such as protecting their reputation, meeting duty-of-care obligations, and enhancing the overall experience for all attendees at the event.

The Australian Drug Foundation also partners with sporting organisations through its Professional Sport Program.

It develops tailored management programs that are based on a staged approach for change and rely on four key principles:

- 1. Readiness for change**  
The organisation and its leaders have clearly stated the need for change.
- 2. Whole-of-organisation culture**  
'The way we do things around here' (symbols, systems and behaviour across the whole organisation) is better understood using scanning tools.
- 3. Personal welfare**  
A commitment to safe practice is made and non-judgmental support for personnel provided.
- 4. Collaboration and partnership**  
There is collaboration with internal and external stakeholders and experts.

Whether it is the *Good Sports* community club program, the Professional Sport Program, or the *Good Hosts* program – there are many avenues of support for sporting clubs that are ready for change.





# Alcohol and sport don't mix

A 'boozy' culture in sporting clubs – drinking to celebrate wins or commiserate losses, rewarding best-on-ground players with alcohol, and more – is prevalent around Australia. Clearly, change is needed.

Alcohol is very much ingrained in our sporting culture. Many sporting clubs around Australia – cricket, football, rugby, netball, surf lifesaving and more use grog to reward excellence. This may include:

- a bottomless mug for the 'best-on-ground' player
- all-you-can-drink president's lunches
- a large bin filled with cans of beer on ice left in the change rooms for both teams after the game
- drinks supplied to under 18 age players who play their first senior game
- 'hoon' nights where players are effectively locked-in at the club to have an alcohol-based bonding session
- boat races where players line up after a game and have a sculling race.

It's not just in grassroots clubs. At the elite level, there's a visible link between alcohol and sport – breweries sponsoring high-profile sporting events; team managers who roll into bed drunk at two o'clock in the morning after a game, despite imposing a curfew of ten o'clock for the players; or executives pouring themselves a drink during board meetings.

## A culture of drinking

This pervasive culture of drinking can have harmful effects on individuals, clubs and communities.

For example, at the South Mildura Sporting Club, alcohol was having a detrimental effect on the club's culture and standing in the community. Not only was there a tolerance for under-age drinking, but the club suffered from:

- poor on-field performance of players
- excessive post-match alcohol consumption
- lax attitudes regarding service of alcohol
- alcohol-related violence within the club
- high player turnover
- significant debt
- shortage of sponsors
- difficulty attracting new members, particularly females.

Similarly, the Gisborne Cricket Club in Victoria was plagued by off-field incidents and a very blokey culture that revolved around alcohol. This club's administrators could see that the culture of the club needed to change to encourage female and junior players to participate in the success of the club.

## Overcoming resistance to change

Many sporting clubs seek strategies to move away from a culture of drinking. Yet, too often, these clubs focus on player behaviour rather than the bigger picture. Responsibility cannot fall solely on the players – a whole-of-club approach to changing attitudes is required, and the entire culture of the club must be tackled at the same time.

There is little point in addressing the problem if the club does not have strong support from players, members and sponsors.

Rob Sharpe, CEO of the Eastern Football League in Victoria – the first league to have all clubs accredited with *Good Sports* – has great advice about overcoming hostility to change. He recommends:

- selling the benefits of change to all involved, from players to club administrators
- getting full support from the club's coach, who is often the most influential member of the club
- talking to the police and local licensing officers about what you are doing
- working collaboratively with agencies like the Australian Drug Foundation and using their full support.

Such strategies are a great first step in tackling the issue and implementing a new game plan at your club. Then, by working with the Australian Drug Foundation and its programs, clubs can turn themselves around in a positive and effective way.

*"Prohibition doesn't work. Our game is uniquely Australian and it ought to still be OK to have a beer and a pie at the footy. That seems to me to be a very Australian thing to do. The Good Sports program works because it doesn't seek to ban alcohol. It suggests that dealing with alcohol responsibly is what is most important and that there are small things to do that over time make a big difference."*

Rob Sharpe, CEO, Eastern Football League.



# Changing the game plan – with great results

Once you commit to a new game plan when it comes to alcohol, the good news is that there is plenty of support available. Sporting clubs around Australia are reporting remarkable changes to their culture, performance and overall standing in the community.

## Proven programs for change

The sporting clubs that have been most successful in changing the culture of drinking are those that partner with the Australian Drug Foundation, drawing upon their resources and knowledge about how to effect change.

This means changing systems and practices to make the club a healthier and safer place for players, members, families and supporters. It means adopting policies, such as safe transport, smoke-free club rooms, alcohol alternative fundraising and training in Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA).

All of these evidence-based strategies are clearly having positive effects on the players, club members and the broader community.

## Inspiring success across Australia

In over 5,000 sporting clubs and leagues across the country, the game plan has changed for the better since they implemented Australian Drug Foundation programs.

### VICTORIA

In Victoria, the South Mildura Sporting Club has transformed itself from a club where excessive alcohol consumption was rife, to a place where there are a reduced number of violent incidents and alcohol-related issues.

*"The club is unrecognisable from the trouble spot it was five years ago. I am happy to bring my family and friends to the club with the confidence that they will enjoy the friendly atmosphere. We now have a great mob of kids and they know we are fair dinkum. It has been one of the highlights watching the way the under 18s behave and conduct themselves on and off the field. That has been very rewarding."*

Lyle Massey, 2006 Club President, South Mildura Sporting Club







Likewise, the Gisborne Cricket Club reports significant cultural change since implementing the *Good Sports* program.

*"The club is committed to the long-term improvement of its culture, its facilities, and its members as a whole – and is keen to lead the local community when it comes to a responsible approach to alcohol, and health and fitness in general."*

**Callum Jackman, President, Gisborne Cricket Club**



The Robinvale Football and Netball Club in Victoria has boosted its standing in the community by committing to change its attitude towards alcohol.

*"Robinvale has in excess of 24 different nationalities living in its broader community, which has led to many racial and alcohol problems over the years. As the football club is an integral part of the Robinvale community it has been able to bring the communities together and become more inclusive, respectful of cultures and diversity through participation in football."*

**Marion Leslie, Secretary, Robinvale Football & Netball Club**

#### **SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

*"Our focus is to maintain a family-friendly environment and implement safe alcohol consumption and smoke-free policies to ensure our players can compete at the highest level while also contributing to their community and club. Good Sports assists us by providing relevant duty of care and risk management information, along with Responsible Serving of Alcohol (RSA) training and other resources for the clubrooms."*

**Miryana Luksa, Social Events Manager, Adelaide City Women's Football Club**



In South Australia, more and more bowling clubs are implementing the *Good Sports* program. Port Elliot Bowling Club Publicity and Promotions Officer, Bob Henry, said they joined the program to benefit members and gain a greater understanding of alcohol management.

*"Good Sports reassures our members who work behind the bar they are meeting liquor licensing requirements, while relieving some of the pressure from committee members. I would recommend other clubs take up the opportunity to join Good Sports. It's free, bar staff can access low cost training, and it is good to have more club members aware of the responsibilities that go hand-in-hand with a liquor license."*

**Bob Henry, Publicity and Promotions Officer, Port Elliot Bowling Club**



#### **QUEENSLAND**

In Queensland, the Albany Creek Junior Rugby League Club, with more than 1,300 members, used *Good Sports* as a means of promoting itself as a more socially responsible and family-friendly environment. In doing so, it has attracted more players, families and volunteers.

*"Our club has improved significantly in a number of different areas. The feedback that I get from our members and guests is that the club has a fantastic family feel to it and our membership numbers prove that we have created a welcoming environment."*

**Chris Pilat, Club Secretary, Albany Creek Crushers JRLFC**



#### **NEW SOUTH WALES**

In NSW, the Newcastle Knights Rugby League Club is reaping the benefits of working with the Australian Drug Foundation and its alcohol management program.

*"The ongoing support and encouragement, and the professionalism of the Australian Drug Foundation staff, has ensured an extremely positive relationship in what was an extremely challenging area in professional sport. This has been a forerunner to an involvement across all NRL clubs."*

**Michael McEntyre OAM, Executive Manager / Human Resources, Newcastle Knights Rugby League Club**

North of Sydney, the Avalon Soccer Club came up with an innovative way to overcome the drop in revenue from alcohol sales – by training members as baristas and buying a state-of-the-art coffee machine. Club President and Canteen Supervisor, Dilys Graham, believes the benefit of a well run and profitable canteen far outweighs other income streams.

*"There is a demand for good food and hot drinks from 8am when we open our doors and there's less of a mess at our playing fields to clean up from coffee cups rather than beer cans," she said.*

As Kate Palmer, Netball Australia's CEO sums it up:

*"Good Sports is leading the way in enabling sporting clubs to successfully manage Australia's alcohol culture to provide a safe and friendly environment for families."*





## Our programs at work

These case studies – from local tennis and football clubs to entire sporting leagues – are but a few of many stories that come out of the Australian Drug Foundation every year, and are great examples of our programs at work.

### A champion of change

*“Once everyone understood that we were not trying to remove alcohol altogether, merely be more responsible with its use, the club members and players accepted the changes. They knew that what we were trying to do was for the betterment of their club, and for every person who didn’t like it, there were three that did.”*

Tony Way is a true champion of change. Having witnessed his beloved Thurgoona Football & Netball Club languishing at the bottom of the ladder – and being beaten by 200-odd points too often – he knew that change was needed. Here, he talks openly about how he managed to achieve it by committing the club to the Australian Drug Foundation’s *Good Sports* program.

#### *Why did you choose the Good Sports program?*

Our club was in the doldrums, having not won a game for two years. A new committee identified that alcohol was one of the major causes. *Good Sports* seemed like a perfect fit to start to address the problems and get people back to the club.

#### *How hard was it to get everyone – club administrators, members and players – on board with the program?*

The football (and sport) mantra of having a few drinks – and the idea that you’re a bit weak if you don’t – is hard to overcome. Breaking long-standing habits and changing attitudes towards something that has always been accepted as the norm was initially very tough.

Once everyone could see that we were not trying to remove alcohol altogether, and rather sought to be more responsible with it, the club members and players accepted the changes. They knew that what we were trying to do was for the betterment of their club.

For every person who didn’t like it, there were three that did.

#### *What partnerships within the community have helped your club on this journey?*

Apart from Albury City Council, the most important partnership was with the broader Thurgoona community. The club exists solely for them, so it was important to engage them and give them reasons to believe we were an asset to the community, not a liability.

#### *What are the keys to achieving change?*

You must commit to seeing it through, and have the ability to get over the first major hurdles in the program implementation. Don’t back away from what you are trying to do the first time it becomes difficult.

#### *How has it tested you personally and professionally?*

I had been around football most of my life, and had not really thought about the drinking culture, nor its effects on others and the club in general. By committing the club to the program, I was challenged to modify my own behaviour as well.

#### *What results are you most proud of?*

We have seen a great change in the club’s reputation. We are now regarded as a leader club in many areas by various organisations, and the Thurgoona community has embraced us. This has led to both on-field and off-field success.

#### *In the longer term, how will your club manage alcohol?*

From all the work we have done, I hope that the program just becomes part of our culture. Future leaders

#### AT A GLANCE

**NAME:** Tony Way

**POSITION:** President, Thurgoona Football & Netball Club

**LEAGUE:** Tallangatta & District, NSW

**SET-UP:** 380 members (220 male, 160 female); 15 teams (6 senior football, 4 junior football, 5 netball)

**PROGRAM:** *Good Sports*

must realise its importance in creating and maintaining the fabric of the club, and it is important that we choose our leaders carefully so they do not drift back to the way things used to be.

#### *What advice can you give to other sports administrators wanting to change the culture of drinking in their clubs?*

Most important is to gain the full support of all the leaders in the various sections of the club, by showing them how important the program is and what a great impact it will have.

Clubs like ours are always broken down into groups – players, young ones, netballers, general members – and there are leaders amongst each of these groups. These are the influencers, the ones you really need to get on board.

I would encourage all sporting clubs to get involved with *Good Sports*, and commit to it. It doesn’t hold your club back – rather, it makes it grow.



## Sale Tennis Club: a complete transformation

*“The first few people to be refused service were openly hostile, however the broader membership began to notice the change and could see the advantages that flowed from this. Ultimately alcohol consumption has become almost self regulating as it is no longer an accepted part of our culture.”*

Robin Lowe, President, January 2011

Weekend tennis was turning into long drinking sessions at the Sale Tennis Club in regional Victoria. Members were consuming more than their fair share of alcohol after matches; and the club had a reputation around town for its heavy drinking culture.

Having acknowledged that there was a problem with this excessive alcohol consumption, the club’s administrators were motivated to change the culture of the club, and in doing so help to alter its members’ attitudes towards alcohol.

Knowing that support and information would be crucial to any attempts to change its culture, the Sale Tennis Club joined the Australian Drug Foundation’s *Good Sports* program. Since joining the program in August 2001, making them one of the first ever *Good Sports* clubs, it has never looked back.

#### Creating a great game plan

Central to the *Good Sports* strategy is the identification of the problem. Working with the Australian Drug Foundation, the Sale Tennis Club could see a number of areas where change was possible.

Consequently, the club implemented a detailed game plan that would significantly change the way it dealt with alcohol. The changes included:

- relocating the bar area so it no longer dominated the clubrooms
- changing bar opening hours
- hosting free RSA courses for members and appointing RSA trained bar staff
- offering a wider option of drinks at the bar, including more light beers, low and non-alcoholic drinks
- shifting from tap beer to packaged beer
- increased security and monitoring of alcohol consumption
- getting rid of ‘happy hour’, BYO and takeaway sales
- no longer including alcohol as part of awards, raffles and club prize pools
- promoting an informal ‘buddy’ system to combat drink driving.

#### AT A GLANCE

**NAME:** Sale Tennis Club

**LEAGUE:** Wellington Gippsland Tennis Association

**SET-UP:** 350 members (150 juniors, 200 seniors)

**PROGRAM:** *Good Sports*

#### Celebrating a winning plan

Since implementing the *Good Sports* program, the Sale Tennis Club has gone from strength to strength. In 2011, it was a finalist in the Community Sporting Club of the Year award as part of the Department of Planning and Community Development’s Community Sport and Recreation Awards. It has also been made a Regional Centre Partner of Tennis Australia.

It has reported a marked reduction in alcohol consumption and, more importantly, an elimination of risky drinking within the club. The flow-on effects of this include:

- increased membership and community participation
- a positive community image
- strong relationships with, and support from, local police, council (Wellington Shire) and businesses.

No longer reliant on alcohol sales for its financial viability, and having become a vital part of the local community, the club is a prime example of how altering attitudes towards alcohol can have positive effects across the board. Now, instead of dominating play, alcohol is enjoyed on the sideline.

*“The senior player who thought we had ‘ruined country sport’ can now be seen drinking a Coke later in the evening as ‘I’ve already had two cans and I’m driving’,” said Robin.*





## Tackling the issue at the League level

*“With a growing rate of alcohol-related bad news stories hitting the press, we knew something needed to change in the NRL. Working with the Australian Drug Foundation has given us this capacity to change.”*

Paul Heptonstall, Education and Welfare Officer, National Rugby League

*As Paul Heptonstall observes, “The social aspect of rugby league is always going to involve alcohol. It has not been an objective to ban alcohol from the game, but rather look at ways of ensuring its responsible use at every level – right through from staff and players to spectators.”*

Acknowledging the role that alcohol plays in the culture of a sport is a great first step in tackling change. The next step is to do something about it.

This is exactly what the NRL and NSW Rugby League have done, thanks to a close partnership with the Australian Drug Foundation and a strong commitment to its evidence-based programs.

### Seeing the problem

Having witnessed too much evidence of alcohol-related harm and a rise in alcohol-related bad news stories, the NRL sought help in implementing a program of alcohol management that was not solely player-focused.

Previously, programs around alcohol management had put the onus on individual players to curb their drinking, and lacked support across the organisation. Those in the NRL and its broader community were not trained to deal with complex alcohol management issues.

*“All the NRL stakeholders realised that the game needed to develop a long-term strategy to reduce the harms associated with alcohol. It was important to us that every area of the game addressed these issues, not just the high profile players who were vulnerable to media sensationalism,” said Paul.*

### Solving the problem

In partnership with the Australian Drug Foundation, the NRL has developed a four-year alcohol management strategy that promotes a culture of change – and results in a dramatic reduction in alcohol-related harm.

The comprehensive strategy includes tools for marketing and communications, fundraising, program evaluation, and education and training (including alcohol risk workshops); and plans have been tailored for each of the 16 clubs within the League.

### Reaping the rewards

The NRL's actions have been having a positive impact across the League, and across the sport. Its commitment to cultural change prompted the NSW Rugby League to influence all the local clubs under its banner to sign up with the Australian Drug Foundation's *Good Sports* program.

### AT A GLANCE

**NAME:** National Rugby League (NRL) and the NSW Rugby League

**SET-UP:** NRL has 16 elite clubs; NSW Rugby League has 260 community clubs

**PROGRAM:** Tailored alcohol management program and *Good Sports*

Indeed, the NSW Rugby League was the first state sporting organisation to directly fund the Australian Drug Foundation to deliver the *Good Sports* program. Today, it continues to work with the NRL and the junior rugby league associations in NSW to:

- increase the number of *Good Sports* accredited rugby league clubs in NSW/ACT
- encourage the clubs' staff and volunteers to influence the behaviour of others and bring about change within rugby league
- engage staff and volunteers in the establishment of alcohol management 'minimum standards' for all junior associations and NSW Rugby League clubs.

Throughout all of this change, the NRL and the NSW Rugby League have maintained a strong and collaborative partnership with the Australian Drug Foundation, to ensure that the programs and tools remain relevant and effective for the clubs and players involved.

*“We hope to keep raising the bar in terms of the responsible use of alcohol amongst the broader rugby league community, from junior clubs and spectators right through to the general community,” said Paul.*



## Good Hosts program scores goals at the Dally M Awards

The night of nights in rugby league is undoubtedly the Dally M Awards. It's the one time of year that the game's elite players, coaches and managers, sponsors, VIPs, MPs and others come together to celebrate the great rugby league performances of the season.

The awards are named in honour of former Australian rugby league great Herbert Henry “Dally” Messenger, and honour the player of the year, the premier player in each position, the best coach, the best captain, the representative player of the year and the most outstanding rookie of the season.

Aligned with the rugby league's mission to reduce the incidence of alcohol-related harm within the code, the league decided to implement the Australian Drug Foundation's *Good Hosts* program at the 2011 Dally M Awards.

### Using Good Hosts to facilitate change

Commitment to the *Good Hosts* program would send a strong message to the sport and the broader community – that alcohol does not need to be the focus of an event or function for it to be a success. The move ties in with the NRL's commitment to developing an alcohol management strategy for the ‘whole of the game’, and not just for its players.

With *Good Hosts* strategies in place, the NRL sought to host an incident-free function where media attention would focus on the celebration of players' on-field performances.

It also sought to demonstrate to the game's stakeholders – such as the individual clubs and sponsors – that the whole league is committed to responsible alcohol management; and is creating new standards of best practice when it comes to running functions and events.

### AT A GLANCE

**NAME:** 2011 Dally M Awards at the National Rugby League (NRL)

**SET-UP:** A reception and formal dinner for 500 guests

**PROGRAM:** *Good Hosts*

### A successful event

Thanks to the strategies and procedures of the *Good Hosts* program, the 2011 Dally M Awards were completely incident-free. The NRL achieved all of its objectives, and the league's administrators were extremely pleased with the effectiveness of *Good Hosts'* methods. The NRL committed to also running the 2012 Dally M Awards using *Good Hosts* protocols.

Reflecting the general attitude of attendees at the awards night, the code's major sponsor, Telstra, contacted the NRL to congratulate them in the days after the ceremony for the ‘best Dally M's ever.’



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**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES  
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**AGENDA ITEM: 9.8**

**DARWIN SWIMMING CLUB REQUEST DISCOUNT ON POOL ENTRY PASSES FOR  
MEMBERS**

**REPORT No.:12C0080 FR:kl**

**COMMON No.: 2288511**

**DATE: 22/10/2012**

**Presenter: Manager Liveability, Fiona Ray**

**Approved: A/General Manager Community & Cultural Services, Katie Hearn**

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to present Council with an overview of fees and charges in place at City of Darwin swimming pools, comparison with other venues and its current operating budget as a basis for considering a request from the Darwin Swimming Club for half price 6 and 12 month memberships.

**LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

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

**KEY ISSUES**

- Fees and Charges for City of Darwin swimming pools are lower than a number of aquatic venues elsewhere in the Territory and interstate.
- City of Darwin pools provide subsidised access for all pool users with income representing approximately 44% of operating costs.
- Any additional concession to the Darwin Swimming Club would have to be replicated for all other Clubs and non-commercial users.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 12C0080 FR:kl entitled Darwin Swimming Club, be received and noted.

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- B. THAT Council notify the Darwin Swimming Club that it recognises the important contribution the Club makes to community sport, health and wellbeing, however existing access to Council pools is heavily subsidised and further discounting would impose an unreasonable cost to general ratepayers.



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## **BACKGROUND**

The Darwin Swimming Club has written to Council requesting that Club members receive a 50% discount on 6 and 12 month passes. This would reduce 6 month child (concession) pass from \$113 to \$56.50 and 12 month child (concession) pass from \$210 to \$105. (Children's concessions only have been used in this report to simplify the discussion and because affordability for families was the core of the Darwin Swimming Club request.)

In support of their request, the Darwin Swimming Club has cited the cost of club membership fees, coaching fees, clothing and equipment, as making participation in Club swimming an expensive proposition for families. Several requests were made to obtain further detail of the actual costs but this information has not been provided.

## **DISCUSSION**

When compared with other pools in the Northern Territory and interstate, City of Darwin pool fees are the most affordable. It is not possible to provide direct comparisons between pools, as each facility has a slightly different pricing structure. Alice Springs for example does not have a 6 month membership, the City of Yarra in Victoria and Townsville have maximum 25 and 30 visits, respectively. Estimates have been made based upon the costs per visit of the respective option.

Alice Springs Aquatic Centre children's concession is \$222.15 for 12 months and \$66.55 for 3 months. As a 6 month membership is not available the cost of 2X3 month passes is used as comparison and is \$133.10.

Palmerston Aquatic Facility does not have 6 or 12 month swim passes for children. Children participating as swim club members pay \$2.10 each visit equating to \$109 for 2 visits a week over 6 months or \$163 for 3 visits per week.

Tobruk Memorial Pool, Townsville has a maximum 30 visit pass. A child's pass is \$60.00. Again based on a limit of 2 visits per week over 26 weeks this equates to \$104 or \$156 at 3 visits per week.

Child	Darwin	Palmerston	Alice Springs	Townsville	City of Yarra
6 month pass or equiv.	\$113	\$163	\$133.10	\$156	\$168

\* equivalent is estimated at 3 visits per week x 26 weeks

In 2012, the income from City of Darwin pools was an estimated to be \$518,500 with operating costs of \$1.165,000 or \$6.50 per visit over approximately 180,000 visits. Each visit is subsidised by \$2.70 for adults and \$4.50 for children against general admission. Children with 6 month swim passes visiting 3 times each week are paying \$1.50 per visit.

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There are 4 swimming clubs operating from City of Darwin pools, utilising a minimum of 2 lanes on most days of the week with Clubs paying \$6.50 lane hire per hour. A 50 percent reduction in 6 and 12 month passes will have a significant impact on pool revenue.

There is no doubt that swimming is a great sport that contributes to a healthy lifestyle. The City of Darwin is keen to ensure reasonable and affordable access to the 3 swimming pools for swimming clubs, however, upon review of costs elsewhere it is evident that the current arrangements are amongst the most affordable in the country. Providing a 50% reduction to swimming club members would result in an increased subsidy from the wider community which would be difficult to justify.

### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

In preparing this Report the following parties were consulted:

Dempsey Consolidated  
 Palmerston Aquatic Facility  
 Alice Springs Aquatic and Leisure Centre  
 Swimming NT

### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

The recommendation to retain the current fees and charges considers three key policies. These are:

Policy 008 Community Services Cultural and Social – General. It is the intent of this Policy to promote equitable access to services, facilities and programs.

Policy 055 Asset Management. The focus here is cost effective and sustainable management of Council assets.

Policy 019 Fees and Charges. Consideration is given to the setting of reasonable rates of return and apportionment of costs so as not to impose an unreasonable burden on general ratepayers.

As the current fees and charges are considered to represent a reasonable apportionment of costs between pool users and ratepayers and those fees are low relative to other aquatic facilities, Council is delivering equitable access to facilities.

### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Nil if the recommendation is supported. Alternatively, if the request from Darwin Swimming Club is accepted it will increase the cost to Council and ratepayers.

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

Nil.



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### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

### **COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

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

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**Attachment A:** Letter from the Darwin Swimming Club.



Darwin Swimming Club Inc  
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PARAP NT 0804

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

Dear Lord Mayor

The Darwin Swimming Club Incorporated appreciates the resources that the City of Darwin invests into community sporting facilities such as the Parap Swimming Pool. In making this investment, we are sure that the Council is aware of the numerous community benefits associated with the pursuit of a healthy and active lifestyle.

Swimming is a sport which facilitates a healthy lifestyle and being a member of a swimming club provides members with access to that lifestyle on a sustainable and ongoing basis. However, research has shown that cost is often a barrier to those wishing to participate in organised sport and unfortunately swimming as a member of a club is an expensive proposition for many families.

One of the differences that swimming has to other sports is that there are four key components to the cost of being a club member:

- Club membership fees (which incorporate fees payable to the NT sporting body and the national swimming body as well as lane hire fees to the City of Darwin);
- Coaching Fees payable to the club coach;
- Clothing and equipment (including bathers, goggles, club uniforms); and
- Pool Entry Fees.

This makes for an expensive sport. In some ways, the City of Darwin gets a double hit in that it receives both pool entry fees and lane hire fees (via the club) from club members.

**50 Years :Darwin Swimming Club 1960-2010**

In recognition of this, the Darwin Swimming Club asks that the City of Darwin provide a 50% discount on the price of 6 and 12 month entry passes for its members. We are confident that such a gesture will result in even more residents participating in the wonderful sport of swimming on an ongoing basis.

We look forward to a positive response. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss.

Yours sincerely



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**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE/OPEN**
**AGENDA ITEM: 9.9**
**REQUEST FROM BANKS BULLDOGS FOOTBALL CLUB TO ESTABLISH A  
PERMANENT BASE AT GARDENS OVAL**
**REPORT No.12C0087 FR:kl**
**COMMON No.: 2032842**
**DATE: 22/10/2012**
**Presenter: Manager Liveability, Fiona Ray**
**Approved: A/General Manager Community & Cultural Services, Katie Hearn**
**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to consider a request from Banks Bulldogs Football Club to establish a permanent base at Gardens Oval.

**LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

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**

2 Enhance Darwin's Active, Positive and Flexible Lifestyle

**Outcome**

2.4 Increase community facilities

**Key Strategies**

2.4.1 Provide facilities and programs which encourage healthy lifestyle choices

**KEY ISSUES**

Banks Bulldogs Football Club are seeking to establish clubrooms at Gardens Oval extending on either of the existing toilet blocks. The Club has identified that it has the resources and skills to undertake the project.

A number of Clubs are currently utilising Gardens Oval. The request from Banks may influence the expectations of other Clubs at Gardens and throughout the municipality.

Recreation Services will be preparing a Sports Field Plan in 2012/2013 in consultation with all Clubs to identify user and infrastructure needs. It is considered that the Banks request should be considered in this project.

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### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 12C0087 FR:kl entitled Request from Banks Bulldogs Football Club to Establish a Permanent Base at Gardens Oval , be received and noted.
- B. THAT the Banks Bulldogs Football Club be invited to present to Council the extension project along with details of any contribution sought from Council, prior to an in principle Council position being formalised.

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## **BACKGROUND**

Banks Bulldogs Football Club has a 35 year history initially playing in the TEAFA competition and now participating in the AFL NT. The Club has a long affiliation with the ground having trained at Gardens for 20 years, preceding the relocation of the Waratahs Club from the Fannie Bay Oval.

This year Banks Bulldogs Football Club have been invited to participate in 4 rounds of the 2012/2013 AFL NT season on a trial basis.

## **DISCUSSION**

Banks Bulldogs Football Club has contacted Council and identified that it requires the following infrastructure to support their long term future:

- an office
- jumper and trophy display space
- meeting and event space

Banks Bulldogs Football Club proposed three possible options. One being a shared arrangement with Waratah Football Club, the second, a development similar in style to the club room at Kahlin Oval attached to the toilet block at Gardens No 1 (cnr Gilruth and Gardens), or lastly redevelopment of the toilet block and storage area at the entrance gates.

The option of building on to the toilet block at Gardens 1 was discussed with Council's Infrastructure Department. Two matters stand out as constraints to the further development of that site those being regular flooding in the wet season and limited vehicle access.

The Hunter Harrison Stand contains meeting space which is available for shared use and two offices however the offices are currently leased to Waratah's Football Club and AFL NT.

Waratah's were approached to consider shared use of the Sports Club under two possible scenarios:

- Renting space to Banks Bulldogs Football Club and negotiating meeting nights.
- Including Banks Bulldogs Football Club in the lease and having joint management of the Club.

As the leaseholder Waratah's have the right to quiet enjoyment of the Sports Club until 2014. The decision was conveyed to Council officers that shared use with a rival AFL NT Club would not be workable.

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As a number of other Clubs including Mindil Sharks and Football Federation NT Club Port Darwin use the ground, a long term decision in relation to access to facilities needs to be developed. It is considered that the preparation of the Sports Field Plan will provide the appropriate vehicle.

Increasing population growth in the City and surrounding suburbs combined with high levels of use at Gardens requires a strategic approach to the provision of sporting infrastructure in the medium to long term.

### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

In preparing this Report the following parties were consulted:

Waratah Football Club  
 Infrastructure Department  
 Parks Section

### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

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

Nil

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

### **COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

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

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**Attachment A:** Letter to the Lord Mayor from Banks Bulldogs Football Club



# **BANKS BULLDOGS FOOTBALL CLUB**



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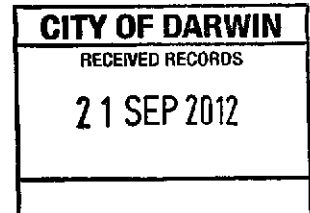


The Lord Mayor of Darwin

Darwin Civic Centre

Darwin

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Dear Lord Mayor,

I write to seek Council support for Banks Football Club to establish a permanent base at Gardens Oval.

The Club is now in its 35<sup>th</sup> year, and has accepted an invitation to play in the NTFL premier league competition for 4 rounds in the 2012/2013 season on a trial basis.

The Club currently fields 2 senior teams, and plans to establish junior teams in the NTFL competition.

The Club is confident that continued population growth in inner Darwin will provide great opportunities for the future.

Banks have trained at Gardens Oval for over 20 years, when the then TEAFA competition relocated to Gardens oval, with the NTFL moving to Marrara. It has been our home base and we have successfully worked with Council and other season users over this period.

Banks now seek Council support to undertake a redevelopment of a suitable site at Gardens Oval to establish a permanent base, which would include office and meeting room, storage of football equipment and a social room to display club memorabilia, and hold some club functions.

We first met with Council in 2003 to explore potential options, and have been actively engaged with Council staff over the last 18 months.

In our recent engagement with Council staff the following has occurred

- We were advised that Council would prefer that Banks approach Waratahs FC, who hold a lease on the current Sporting club facility until 2014, to negotiate a shared arrangement for the existing facility. This was not agreed

- Council staff wrote to Waratahs and subsequently met with them to discuss the issue. The Club re affirmed their lack of interest in a shared arrangement, and we have been advised that the current lease allows Waratahs to take this position
- Banks have suggested two potential sites at Gardens that we believe would be suitable for re development, fitting with the amenity of the overall Gardens complex .These have yet to be fully assed pending the outcome of discussions with Waratahs.

Given the above Banks is now keen to expedite the process to allow Council to establish an in principal position on our proposition.

Banks have the financial resources and access to a skilled labour force to undertake a modest re development of two potential sites at Gardens

- The Toilet Block at the High School end of the ground that is highly underutilised
- The Storage area at the rear of the Toilet Block at the entrance to Gardens Oval, adjacent to Gardens two oval

In relation to both of these sites, access to water, power and a functioning toilet block does reduce re development costs. We would ensure that access to these toilet blocks is retained for public use.

Council may have other potential sites that it considers suitable and we would be happy to explore these.

Banks are prepared to invest in the development of a full concept proposal, including draft plans, architectural sketches, landscaping, etc. and of course work with council to ensure that any re development fully meets Council approval

However, before committing our scarce resources to such an exercise we would seek to establish an in principal position with council.

I am happy to meet to further discuss

**Yours Sincerely**



**Mike Harrison**

**Gardens Base Co Coordinator**

**Banks Bulldogs Football Club Inc.**

20 September 2012

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Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting – Monday, 22 October, 2012

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Nil

**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES  
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**AGENDA ITEM: 10.2.1**
**MINUTES SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEES - HAIKOU (3 SEPTEMBER 2012), DILI (4 SEPTEMBER 2012), ANCHORAGE (16 MAY & 5 SEPTEMBER 2012), AMBON (6 SEPTEMBER 2012) and KALYMNOS (1 JUNE & 7 SEPTEMBER 2012)**
**REPORT No.: 12C0077 HB:es      COMMON No.: 2342094**
**DATE: 22/10/2012**

**Presenter:**      **Senior Community Development Officer - Liveability, Hayley Barich**

**Approved:**      **A/General Manager Community & Cultural Services, Katie Hearn**

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to present the minutes of the Haikou (3 September), Dili (4 September), Anchorage (16 May and 5 September), Ambon (6 September) and Kalymnos (25 June and 7 September) Sister City Community Committee meetings for Council's information and details recommendations arising for Council's consideration.

**LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

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':-

<b>Goal</b>	6	Promote Brand Darwin
<b>Outcome</b>	6.2	Promote our Darwin city
<b>Key Strategies</b>	6.2.4	Strengthen international relationships through Sister Cities and other activities

**KEY ISSUES**

- Opportunities and objectives for Sister City joint events
- Upcoming Sister Cities Film Night Fundraiser at the Deckchair Cinema
- Community Halloween Event in partnership with the Australian American Association of the Northern Territory

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

That it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 12C0077 HB:es entitled Minutes Sister City Community Committees - Haikou (3 September 2012), Dili (4 September 2012), Anchorage 16 May & 5 September 2012), Ambon (6 September 2012) and Kalymnos (1 June & 7 September 2012), be received and noted.



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- B. THAT the Anchorage Sister City Community Committee recommends that up to \$1000 is allocated to a Community Halloween Event in October 2012

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## **BACKGROUND**

### **Decision 20\4424 (27/09/11)**

- A. THAT Report Number 11C0099 entitled Anchorage Sister City Community Committee Minutes 10 August 2011 - Art Exchange, Book Donation, Halloween, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the Anchorage Sister City Community Committee recommends that up to \$500 is allocated to the annual book donation and books are specifically gifted to schools/art groups that participated in the inaugural Anchorage and Darwin Art Exchange.
- C. THAT the Anchorage Sister City Community Committee recommends that up to \$2500 is allocated to the 2012 Anchorage and Darwin Art Exchange project.
- D. THAT the Anchorage Sister City Community Committee recommends that up to \$1000 is allocated to a Community Halloween Event in October 2011.

## **DISCUSSION**

### **Haikou**

The Haikou Sister City Community Committee met 3 September 2012. This was the first meeting for the 2012 – 2014 term of the Committee. Members were briefed on completed Haikou projects. The Committee discussed a number of items including; upcoming opening of the COMPOSITE exhibition in Haikou, joint Sister City events and the upcoming Sister Cities Film Night at the Deckchair Cinema.

### **Dili**

The Dili Sister City Community Committee met 4 September 2012. This was the first meeting for the 2012 – 2014 term of the Committee. Members were briefed on completed Dili projects. The Committee discussed a number of items including; donation of a smartboard to a school in Dili, youth exchange, proposal for a water tank for the Tais Markets in Dili, Sister City joint events and the upcoming Sister Cities Film Night at the Deckchair Cinema. No recommendations arising.

### **Anchorage**

The Anchorage Sister City Community Committee met 16 May 2012. This was the last meeting for the 2010 – 2012 term of the Committee. Members discussed a number of items including; professional skills exchange, Art Exchange 2012, Sister City joint events, 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Darwin and Anchorage relationship. No recommendations arose from the meeting.

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The Anchorage Sister City Community Committee met 5 September 2012. This was the first meeting for the 2012 – 2014 term of the Committee. Members were briefed on completed Anchorage projects. The Committee discussed a number of items including; the professional skills exchange, Sister City joint events, 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary delegation to Anchorage, upcoming Sister Cities Film Night at the Deckchair Cinema, the Host a US Marine program and a community Halloween event.

## **Community Halloween Event**

### **Project Objective**

Celebrating culturally significant holidays from our Sister Cities and promoting the Sister City program to the wider community.

### **Background**

Halloween is celebrated each year in the United States of America with much fan fare and cheer. It is an event that involves all members of the community from young to old. The Australian American Association of the Northern Territory (AAANT) annually celebrates the event with its members. It has been suggested that the Anchorage Sister City Community Committee combine with AAANT to deliver a community Halloween event.

### **Project Plan**

In collaboration with the Australian American Association of the Northern Territory (AAANT) deliver a family friendly community Halloween celebration. It will include, but not be limited to traditional foods, costumes, entertainment, lolly hunt and prizes for best dressed. The event is to be held at the Vanderlin Drive Flightpath Mini Golf & Archery Centre between 5.00pm and 7.30pm on Sunday 28 October 2012. There will be an entry cost of \$15 per adult and \$10 per child \$45 per family (2 adults and 2 children). Hot dogs will be supplied, and guests are asked to bring a salad, Halloween side dish or dessert to share. Invitations will be emailed to AAANT members, friends and family and Anchorage Sister City Committee mailing list, and family and friends. Further information about the event will be posted on: <http://australianamericannorthernterritory.wordpress.com/>

<b>Stage</b>	<b>Timeline</b>	<b>Resources</b>
Plan and promote the event	September – October 2011	Australian American Association Northern Territory, Anchorage Sister City Community Committee, Senior Community Development Officer - Liveability
Community Halloween Event	October 2011	\$1000

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### **Ambon**

The Ambon Sister City Community Committee met 6 September 2012. This was the first meeting for the 2012 – 2014 term of the Committee. Unfortunately quorum was not achieved. Those present discussed a number of items including; upcoming meeting to discuss the location of the donated statues in the Charles Darwin University Indonesian Garden, review of the Ambon Night, review of the student and teacher exchange, Sister City joint events and the upcoming Sister City Film Night at the Deckchair Cinema. No recommendations arose from the meeting.

### **Kalymnos**

The Kalymnos Sister City Community Committee met 1 June 2012. The Committee discussed a number of items including the upcoming stall at Glenti, review of Oceania Pan Hellenic Games sponsorship, correspondence from the Municipal Officer of Kalymnian Emigrant Affairs and the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mayoral function. No recommendations arose.

The Kalymnos Sister City Community Committee met 7 September 2012. This was the first meeting for the 2012 – 2014 term of the Committee. The Committee discussed a number of items including; Glenti stall, Greek Orthodox hall renovations and proposed Greek museum, 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Sister City relationship, Sister City joint events and the upcoming Sister Cities Film Night at the Deckchair Cinema. No recommendations arose.

## **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

In preparing this report the following parties were consulted:

- Haikou Sister City Community Committee
- Dili Sister City Community Committee
- Anchorage Sister City Community Committee
- Ambon Sister City Community Committee
- Kalymnos Sister City Community Committee
- Australian American Association of the Northern Territory

## **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

All recommendations are made in line with the City of Darwin Policy 053 – Sister Cities.

## **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

### **Community Halloween Event**

An estimated total budget of \$1000 (from W1582/1/) is required for this project. This includes \$300 for entertainment, \$300 for promotion and \$400 for materials.

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

Nil.



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### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

### **COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

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

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**MINUTES**  
**HAIKOU SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Monday 3 September 2012**  
**12.30pm**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LEVEL 1**  
**CITY OF DARWIN CIVIC CENTRE**

**1. Meeting Open 12.32pm**

**2. Present**

Hayley Barich	Senior Community Development Officer – Liveability
Phillip Rudd	Community representative
Alderman Anictomatis	Elected Member
Shu Qui Li	Community representative
Alderman Haslett	Elected Member
Gabriel Haines	Youth representative
Judith Dikstein	Community representative
Ping Lu	Community representative

**3. Apologies**

Marnie Foster  
Ken Kirkman

**4. Minutes**

Minutes of the previous meeting on 4 June 2012 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

**(Dikstein/ Rudd)**

**Carried**

**5. Introductions and welcome of new Committee**

Each member introduced themselves and provided background on their involvement with China and reason for applying to the Committee.

**6. Haikou Briefing**

Members were provided with a brief background on Committee activities and the progress of the Sister Cities program including a report on projects completed during the previous term.

**7. Update on Confucius Institute and CDU Chinese language program**

Presenter, Associate Professor Chen Zongmin, was unable to attend. Presentation to be rescheduled for the next meeting.

**8. Business Arising**

**8.1 Composite: A Sister Cities Photographic Competition – update**

The Haikou Office of Foreign Affairs have received the photos and are planning to hold the exhibition in the Hainan University during September.

**8.2 Sister Cities Joint Event**

The Committee agreed that they would like to continue to support joint Sister City events. It was agreed that the event chosen would need to suit the objective that

the Sister Cities program was trying to achieve. The Committee agreed that the Arafura Games and Harmony Day were options for joint Sister City events and that expressions of interest should be sought from all Committee members for the formation of an organising group.

### 8.3 ***Delegation to Haikou – for discussion***

Item to remain on the table until the next meeting.

## 9. **General Business**

### 9.1 ***Sister Cities Film Night – 13 September***

Committee members were given copies of the volunteer roster and events T-shirts to be worn on the night. Volunteers to arrive between 5:30pm and 6pm on the night. Those unable to attend encouraged to get family and friends to go.

### 9.2 ***Lao Ou Memorial Enhancement – project report***

As yet the final report has not been submitted. This item to be discussed at the November meeting.

### 9.3 ***Financial Update***

The Haikou Sister Cities Community Committee has been allocated \$4000 for the 2012/13 financial year. This budget is to be expended by 30 June 2013.

### 9.4 ***Any Other Business***

Election of office bearers to occur at the next meeting. Those interested in nominating are asked to prepare a short speech to present at the November meeting.

Committee members were advised that Advisory Committee Workshops are to be held in October and their input is required.

Information about the upcoming Sister Cities Australia was circulated. Those interested in attending to notify Hayley via email.

## 10. **Meeting Closed**

## 11. **Date and time of next meeting**

Date: Monday 19 November  
Time: 12.30pm  
Venue: Chambers

**MINUTES**  
**DILI SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Tuesday 4 September 2012**  
**12.30pm**  
**Council Chambers, Level 1, Civic Centre**  
**CITY OF DARWIN CIVIC CENTRE**

**1. Meeting Open 12.35pm**

**2. Present**

Hayley Barich	Senior Community Development Officer – Liveability
Alderman Haslett	Elected Member
Lynnette Bigg	Community representative
Luke Gosling	Community representative
Jill Kuhn	Community representative
Alderman Elix	Elected Member
Lorraine Sushames	Community representative
Michael Hutton	Community representative

**3. Apologies**

John Bailey

**4. Minutes**

Minutes of last meeting held 5 June 2012 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

**(Ald. Elix/ Kuhn)**

**Carried**

**5. Introductions and welcome of new Committee**

Each member introduced themselves and provided background on their relationship with Dili and reasons for joining the Committee.

**6. Dili Briefing**

Members were provided with a brief background on Committee activities and the progress of the Sister Cities program.

**7. Business Arising**

**7.1 Action for Change Library Project – update**

Luke indicated that an Australian not-for-profit organization had a smartboard in Dili and were looking for a school or NGO in Dili to donate it to.

**Action:** Hayley to enquire with Action for Change Foundation if the smartboard would fit into their training room.

Jill is travelling to Dili in September and would be able to provide rudimentary training in how to use a smartboard.



7.2 ***Darwin and Dili Youth Exchange – update***

Working with Youth Services to develop the exchange program. Likely that it will coincide with National Youth Week in 2013.

8. **General Business**

8.1 **Proposal – Community project, Dili**

The Committee would like further information about the proposal, such as intended use, site plan and an indication of who will be using the water tank before making a decision. If possible, the Committee would like someone in the Committee or associated with the Committee to visit the community group putting forward the proposal.

8.2 ***Sister Cities Film Night – 13 September***

Committee members were given copies of the volunteer roster and events T-shirts to be worn on the night. Volunteers to arrive between 5:30pm and 6pm on the night. Those unable to attend encouraged to get family and friends to go.

8.3 ***Joint Sister City Events***

The Committee agreed that it was important to continue joint Sister City events to communicate to the public the good work done by the program. The Committee agreed that it was difficult to promote a fundraiser unless there was a specific project for which they were fundraising. The Committee agreed that expressions of interest from all Committee members should be sought in regards to planning an event for Arafura Games.

8.4 ***Financial Update***

The Dili Sister City Community Committee has been allocated \$4000 for the 2012/13 financial year. Funds are to be expended by 30 June 2013.

8.5 ***Any Other Business***

Committee members were advised that Advisory Committee Workshops are to be held in October and their input is required.

Information about the upcoming Sister Cities Australia was circulated. Those interested in attending to notify Hayley via email.

9. **Meeting Closed**

10. **Date and time of next meeting**

Date: Tuesday 20 November  
Time: 12.30pm  
Venue: Meeting Room 1

**MINUTES**  
**ANCHORAGE SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Wednesday 16 May 2012**  
**4.30pm**  
**Meeting Room 1**  
**CITY OF DARWIN CIVIC CENTRE**

**1. Meeting Open 4.43pm**

**2. Present**

Angella Francis	Community representative
Korin Lesh	Community representative
Alderman Kate Worden	Elected Member
Alderman Robyn Knox	Elected Member
Hayley Barich	Senior Community Development Officer - Liveability
Sue Wainwright	Community representative (via conference call)

**3. Apologies**

Sue Wainwright (will be late)

**4. Minutes**

Minutes of Anchorage Sister City Community Committee held 29 February 2012 (Attachment A)

**(Lesh/ Francis)**

**5. Alderman Appointments and Introductions**

Alderman Robyn Knox and Alderman Kate Worden have been appointed to the Anchorage Sister City Community Committee until 30 June 2013.

**6. Business Arising**

**6.1 Professional Skills Exchange**

Sue advised that Audrey was in the hospital and had determined that she would be unable to undertake the professional skills exchange to Darwin.

**6.2 Pen Pal Project**

Committee agreed that it was hard to get school interested in the pen pal project and that it doesn't work with the difference in the school years. It was agreed that something more short term, such as classroom link-ups via skype would be more beneficial.

**6.3 Art Exchange 2012**

Committee discussed what date the Darwin opening of the exhibition will be held. Committee agreed that either 18 or 19 June would be a good date for the opening. Hayley to check with LM and Alderman calendars and then advise of confirmed date.

*Alderman Knox and Worden depart (5pm)*

*Sue Wainwright dials in (5pm)*

6.4 ***Sister City Joint Events***

The Committee would be open to undertaking joint sister city events and would like to know if there is interest from the other Committees.

6.5 ***30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Darwin and Anchorage relationship***

Sue Wainwright advised that she could arrange her work trip to Alaska to coincide with the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration planned to be held in Anchorage. The Committee discussed potential events they could hold in Darwin to celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, should the Lord Mayor not lead a delegation to Anchorage.

The Committee agreed that a free community movie night, showing an 'Alaskan' movie would be a good option.

**Action:** Angella to investigate inflatable movie screen for a community movie night.

7. **General Business**

7.1 ***Anchorage Sister Cities Fall Harvest Festival***

The Committee had previously donated items to the Anchorage Sister Cities Fall Harvest Festival to be auctioned or raffled off. The Committee agreed that they would like to do that again.

**Action:** Angela to source some artworks to send as prizes.

7.2 ***Sister City Committee Nominations 2012 – 2014***

Committee members were reminded that nominations for the Sister City Committees were open and would close early June. Members were encourage to submit a form via the website.

7.3 ***Financial Update***

All funds have been committed.

7.4 ***Any Other Business***

The Committee suggested that Liz Veel and Shirley Neve, Darwin teachers that recently visited Anchorage, be invited to be the guest speakers at the opening of the Anchorage and Darwin art exchange.

8. **Meeting Closed 5.35pm**

9. **Date and time of next meeting**

Date: TBA  
Time: 5.00pm  
Venue: Meeting Room 1

**MINUTES**  
**ANCHORAGE SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Wednesday 5 September 2012**  
**5.00pm**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LEVEL 1**  
**CITY OF DARWIN CIVIC CENTRE**

1. **Meeting Open 5.06pm**
2. **Present**

Angela Francis	Community representative
Korin Lesh	Community representative
Alderman Worden	Elected Members
Alderman Knox	Elected Members
Marie-Louise Pearson	Community representative (via conference call)
Cassandra Deon	Community representative
Hayley Barich	Senior Community Development Officer – Liveability
3. **Apologies**

Sue Wainwright  
Peter Harris
4. **Minutes**

Minutes of the Anchorage Sister City Community Committee meeting held 16 May 2012 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

**(Ald. Worden/ Francis)                      Carried**
5. **Introductions and welcome of new Committee**

Each Committee member introduced themselves and provided some background on their involvement with the United States of America and reasons for joining the Committee
6. **Anchorage Briefing**

Members provided with a brief background on Committee activities and the progress of the Sister Cities program.
7. **Business Arising**
  - 7.1 ***Professional Skills Exchange – update***

Committee discussed the challenges of making this project a reality and whether there needs to be a timeframe put on delivery of the outcomes.

**Action:** A project sub-committee to be formed to discuss the project via email.
  - 7.2 ***Art Exchange 2012 – report***

The Committee discussed the possibility of expanding the Art Exchange to include amateur artists and/ or photography.



**Action:** Present options to the Committee at the next meeting for discussion.

7.3 ***Sister City Joint Events***

The Committee agreed that they would provide general support to joint Sister Cities events and would take interest in other events specific to each Sister City.

7.4 ***30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Darwin and Anchorage relationship – report***

Korin Lesh spoke to her report which was grouped into three key areas, teacher exchange, Indigenous culture and Art Exchange. The Committee thanked Korin for her efforts on the delegation.

7.5 ***Anchorage Sister Cities Fall Harvest Festival – update***

Angela was unable to find additional information about this years event, therefore the Committee will be unable to sponsor it this year.

8. **General Business**

8.1 ***Sister City Film Night – 13<sup>th</sup> September***

Committee members were given copies of the volunteer roster and events T-shirts to be worn on the night. Volunteers to arrive between 5:30pm and 6pm on the night. Those unable to attend encouraged to get family and friends to go.

8.2 ***Host a US Marine Program***

Cassandra spoke to this item and discussed her experiences so far with the program. Cassandra advised that the current deployment of marines will soon end and a new company will arrive.

8.3 ***Financial Update***

The Anchorage Sister City Community Committee has been allocated \$4000 for the 2012/13 financial year. Funds need to be expended by 30 June 2013.

8.4 ***Any Other Business***

The Committee expressed interest in developing an action plan for the two year term.

Committee members were advised that Advisory Committee Workshops are to be held in October and their input is required.

Information about the upcoming Sister Cities Australia was circulated. Those interested in attending to notify Hayley via email.

The Committee discussed the upcoming Halloween event organised by the Australian – American Association of the Northern Territory and possible involvement from the Committee.

**Recommendation:** That up to \$1000 be allocated to the Halloween Festival 2012 organised by the Australian – American Association of the Northern Territory.

(Lesh/ Francis)

Carried

9. **Meeting Closed 6.20pm**

**10. Date and time of next meeting**

Date: Wednesday 28 November  
Time: 5.00pm  
Venue: Meeting Room 1

**INFORMAL MINUTES**  
**AMBON SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Thursday 6 September 2012**  
**5.00pm**  
**MEETING ROOM 1, LEVEL 1**  
**CITY OF DARWIN CIVIC CENTRE**

**1. Meeting Open 5.06pm**

**2. Present**

Hayley Barich	Senior Community Development Officer – Liveability
Christine Silvester	Community representative
Judy Miller	Community representative
Leigh Gregory	Community representative
Alderman Mitchell	Elected Member (arrived 5.35pm)

**3. Apologies**

Jherry Matahelumual  
Yopie Pattinasarany  
Rick Setter  
Alderman Garry Lambert

**4. Minutes**

Minutes of last meeting held Thursday 14 June 2012 were noted and will be confirmed at the next meeting.

**5. Introduction and welcome of new Committee**

No new members were present, therefore introductions were deferred.

**6. Election of Ambon Sister City Committee Chair**

Deferred until the next meeting.

**7. Business Arising from Previous Minutes**

**7.1 *Student Exchange SMA N 5 Ambon – update***

Those present agreed that the student and teacher exchange was a success. Kormilda College and the Consulate were very pleased with how involved the students and teacher were in local activities while they were in Darwin.

**7.2 *Statue donation to CDU Indonesian Garden – update***

A meeting has been scheduled for Friday 14 September at the Indonesian Garden to determine the location of the statues. Committee members are invited to attend the meeting.

**7.3 *LTANT Language Awards – update***

The LTANT Junior Language Speaking Competition is to be held 22 September at St. Johns School. The Lord Mayor and the Committee has been invited to attend.

**7.4 *Maluku/ Ambon Night – update***

Those present agreed that the Ambon Night was a well run and well attended event. The Committee were happy with the coverage it gave to the Sister City relationship.

**7.5 *Sister Cities Film Night – 13<sup>th</sup> September***

Committee members were given copies of the volunteer roster and events T-shirts to be worn on the night. Volunteers to arrive between 5:30pm and 6pm on the night. Those unable to attend encouraged to get family and friends to go.

**8. General Business**

**8.1 *Darwin to Ambon Yacht Race – update***

Alderman Mitchell was in Ambon for the race finish and awards night. Alderman Mitchell to be invited to speak about his visit at the next meeting.

**8.2 *Sister City Joint Events***

Those present agreed to provide in principal support for joint Sister City events. Involvement from the Committee on an event will depend on the objectives of the event. Those present agreed they would be interested in developing something for the Arafura Games.

**8.3 *Update from the Indonesian Consulate***

Apologies from the Consulate who were unable to send a representative.

**8.4 *Financial Update***

The Committee has been allocated \$4000 for the 2012/13 financial year. Funds are to be expended by 30 June 2013.

**8.5 *Any Other Business***

Committee members advised that Advisory Committee Workshops are to be held in October and their input is required.

Information about the upcoming Sister Cities Australia was circulated. Those interested in attending to notify Hayley via email.

**9. Meeting Closed 5.55pm**

**10. Date and time of next meeting**

Date: Thursday 29 November  
Time: 5.00pm  
Venue: Meeting Room 1



**MINUTES**  
**KALYMNOS SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Friday 1 June 2012**  
**5.00pm – 6.00pm**  
**Community Meeting Room**  
**City of Darwin, Casuarina Library, Bradshaw Terrace, Nakara**

1. **Meeting Open 5.15pm**
2. **Present**

Hayley Barich	Senior Community Development Officer – Liveability
Alexia Koumpa	Community representative
Kallop Alexiou	Community representative
Alderman Rebecca Want de Rowe	Elected Member
Alderman George Lambrinidis	Elected Member
Tony Miaoudis	Community representative
3. **Apologies**

John Halikos
4. **Minutes from Previous Meeting**

Minutes of the previous meeting held 16 June 2010 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

**(Ald. Lambrinidis/ Miaoudis)**
5. **Output from Workshop**

Members briefly discussed outputs of the previous membership workshop.
6. **Alderman Appointments and Introductions**

Alderman George Lambrinidis and Alderman Rebecca Want de Rowe have been appointed to the Kalymnos Sister City Community Committee for the period 16 April 2012 to 30 June 2013.
7. **Business Arising**
  - 7.1 ***Stall at Glenti 2012***

Committee discussed what would be on display at the Glenti stall. It will include a display about rock climbing in Kalymnos, a TV playing Kalymnian DVDs, framed photos of Kalymnos, products from Kalymnos, Kalymnian artifacts and flag.

**Action:** Alexia to seek donation of rusks and oregano to give out as samples.

**Action:** Committee members to bring other items for display during set-up on Friday 8 June.

Alderman Lambrinidis asked as to whether the fundraising money earned by the Committee at the 2010 Glenti had been carried forward. Hayley took the question on notice.

The Committee developed a schedule for volunteers on the stall throughout the Glenti weekend.

**Action:** Hayley to organize stall and display cabinets
  - 7.2 ***Greek Orthodox Committee Museum proposal***

No progress to report.

**8. General Business****8.1 Review of Oceania Pan Hellenic Games Sponsorship**

Committee discussed the benefits of sponsoring the games. The opportunities for Alderman to meet competitors at the medal presentations. The Committee agreed it was a good use of funds and good for raising the profile of the program. The Committee noted that this event won't happen in Darwin for a while, but that they should look at supporting other similar events.

**8.2 Correspondence – Municipal Officer for Kalymnian Emigrant Affairs**

The Committee agreed that they had limited capacity to assist with establishment of a Federation or a census of Kalymnians in Darwin. The Committee has invited the Municipality of Kalymnos to be involved with its stall at Glenti. As requested by the Municipality of Kalymnos, the date of the reception to mark the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary has been moved to the week of Glenti.

**8.3 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mayoral Function**

A Mayoral function to celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Kalymnos and Darwin Sister City relationship will be held in the Function Room on Thursday 7 June. Tony has assisted in developing an invite list for the event. Mr John Anictomatis and Mr Cecil Black who were both present at the signing of the agreement have been invited as guest speakers. Awaiting confirmation from Municipality of Kalymnos as to whether a delegation from Kalymnos will come to Darwin for the occasion.

**8.4 Dancing Troupe**

The Greek Traditional Dancing Group has approached the Committee to be considered as the preferred dancing troupe for Sister City events. The Committee agreed that it could not give preference to one dancing troupe. The Committee has a relationship with the Kalymnian Brotherhood Dancing Troupe. It was agreed that both groups be invited to perform at the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary reception.

**8.5 Financial Update**

All funds have been committed.

**8.6 Any other business**

Nil.

**9. Meeting schedule**

**Action:** Hayley to forward new meeting schedule to Committee members.

**10. Meeting Closed 6.15pm****11. Date and time of next meeting**

Date: TBA

Time: 5.00pm

Venue: Community Meeting Room, Casuarina Library

**MINUTES**  
**KALYMNOS SISTER CITY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Friday 7 September 2012**  
**5.00pm**  
**COMMUNITY MEETING ROOM**  
**CITY OF DARWIN, CASUARINA LIBRARY**

1. **Meeting Open 5.06pm**
2. **Present**

Hayley Barich	Senior Community Development Officer – Liveability
Alexia Koumpa	Community representative
Nicolas Poniris	Greek Orthodox Community of Northern Australia representative
Kalliopi Alexiou	Community representative
Costa Miaoudis	Community representative (arrive 5.15pm)
Alderman Want de Rowe	Elected Member (arrive 5.15pm)
Alderman Lambrinidis	Elected Member (arrive 5.15pm)
Fay Karamanakis	Community representative (arrive 5.45pm)
3. **Apologies**

Tony Miaoudis
4. **Minutes from Previous Meeting** (1 June 2012, Attachment A)

A quorum was not present to ratify the minutes, to be held over to the next meeting.
5. **Election of Committee Spokesperson/ Chair**

A quorum was not present to nominate or elect a Chair, to be held over to the next meeting.
6. **Business Arising**
  - 6.1 ***Stall at Glenti 2012 – review***

The Committee agreed it was good to have a presence at the Glenti. The Kalymnos and Darwin relationship was presented well and those on the stall spoke to many interested persons. The Committee agreed if the purpose of the stall was to change that they would need a new location. Alderman Lambrinidis thanked everyone for their involvement in the stall over the Glenti weekend.
  - 6.2 ***Greek Orthodox Committee Museum proposal – update***

Mr Poniris provided an update on the renovations of the Greek Hall on Cavenagh Street. Essential services to the building need to be upgraded before anything else can be done to the building. Once this has been completed the Committee will be approached for involvement in the development of the museum. There is no specific timeline for completion.
  - 6.3 ***30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mayoral Function – review***

The Committee agreed the event was well attended and everyone enjoyed the event.

**7. General Business****7.1 *Sister Cities Film Night***

Committee members were given copies of the volunteer roster and events T-shirts to be worn on the night. Volunteers to arrive between 5:30pm and 6pm on the night. Those unable to attend encouraged to get family and friends to go.

**7.2 *Sister City Joint Events***

The Committee agreed it was a good idea to have a joint Sister City event once or twice a year, such as Harmony Day. The Committee would like to celebrate Kalymnian/ Greek events and invite the other Committees to participate.

**7.3 *Financial Update***

The Committee has been allocated \$4000 for the 2012/13 financial year, funds are to be expended by 30 June 2013. A request is going to Council for a carryforward of \$1784.74 which is funds raised at the 2009 Glenti plus fundraising match from Council.

**7.4 *Any other business***

Committee members were advised that Advisory Committee Workshops are to be held in October and their input is required.

Information about the upcoming Sister Cities Australia was circulated.

Those interested in attending to notify Hayley via email.

**8. Meeting Closed 6.12pm****9. Date and time of next meeting**

Date: Friday 30 November 2012

Time: 5.00pm

Venue: Community Meeting Room, Casuarina Library



**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE/OPEN**
**AGENDA ITEM: 10.2.2**
**ANCHORAGE DELEGATION TO CELEBRATE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF SISTER CITY  
RELATIONSHIP JULY 2012**
**REPORT No.: 12C0085 HB:kl**
**COMMON No.: 2244207**
**DATE: 22/10/2012**

**Presenter:** Senior Community Development Officer - Liveability, Hayley Barich

**Approved:** A/General Manager Community & Cultural Services, Katie Hearn

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide details of the delegation to Anchorage in July 2012 for the purpose of celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Sister City relationship and is presented for Council's information.

**LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

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':-

<b>Goal</b>	6	Promote Brand Darwin
<b>Outcome</b>	6.2	Promote our Darwin city
<b>Key Strategies</b>	6.2.4	Strengthen international relationships through Sister Cities and other activities

**KEY ISSUES**

- The Anchorage delegation was successful in reaffirming support for the Sister City relationship.
- The opportunity to meet face-to-face with Sister City stakeholders can not be underestimated.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 12C0085 HB:kl entitled Anchorage Delegation to Celebrate 30th Anniversary of Sister City Relationship July 2012, be received and noted.

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## **BACKGROUND**

### **Decision No. 21\124 (29/05/12)**

- A. THAT Report Number 12C0028 HB:es entitled Minutes Sister City Community Committee Minutes - Anchorage 29 February 2012, 30th Anniversary Delegation, be received and noted.
- B. THAT The Anchorage Sister City Community Committee recommends that there is an increase in the Sister Cities funding as they have been maintained at the current level for 5 years.
- C. THAT the Anchorage Sister City Community Committee recommends that a delegation to Anchorage for the purpose of celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the Darwin and Anchorage Sister City relationship be endorsed and the Lord Mayor lead the delegation.

### **Decision No. 20\2828 (25/05/10)**

- A. THAT Report Number 10C0066 JB:kl entitled Sister Cities Community Committee Minutes – Haikou Meeting 19 April 2010 and Ambon Meeting 29 April 2010, be received and noted.

#### **Haikou Sister City Community Committee Recommendations**

- B. THAT the Haikou Sister City Community Committee requests that Ms Maisy Latif at Darwin High School be contacted to provide further detail on current Chinese study programs within Darwin's schools and that a letter seeking further information on schools' Chinese language programs be forwarded.
- C. THAT the Haikou Sister City Community Committee requests Council contacts Mr Brendan Doran at the NT Government in respect to the Government's potential visit to Haikou during the Shanghai World Expo 2010 exploring opportunities for Council to be part of the visit.
- D. THAT the Haikou Sister City Community Committee recommend that Council writes to the Haikou Guide praising the guide as high quality and that Council would like to place a link to the guide on its website.
- E. THAT the Haikou Sister City Community Committee recommend a Darwin delegation visit Haikou for the purpose of –
  - a. Reaffirming the importance of the Haikou Sister City relationship.
  - b. Celebrating 20 years since the signing of the Sister City agreement between Darwin and Haikou.
  - c. Visiting the completed road to the Soldiers Memorial in DongFang.

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- F. THAT the Haikou Sister City Community Committee recommend Council invite the Mayor of Dongfang to visit Darwin to further explore a friendship link, military linkages and city similarities in June or July 2010 in accordance with the Sister Cities Delegation procedure.
- G. THAT the Haikou Sister City Community Committee recommend a contribution of funds towards the Sister Cities Fundraising Deckchair event to be held in July 2010.

**Decision No.19\2154 (25/10/05)**

- A. THAT the Lord Mayoral Delegation to Anchorage, Alaska be in June 2006 (Total of 5 days in Anchorage).

**DISCUSSION**

City of Darwin's Lord Mayor was invited by the Mayor of Anchorage to lead a delegation to Anchorage in July 2012 for the purpose of celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Darwin and Anchorage Sister Cities relationship.

The Darwin and Anchorage Sister Cities relationship was formed due to similarities between the two cities such as steps to statehood, the development of mining and the establishment of a university in a remote frontier territory accustomed to natural disasters and isolation. A Sister Cities agreement was signed 28 July 1982 in Darwin and 23 September 1982 in Anchorage.

Council resolved to accept the Mayor of Anchorage's invitation and a small delegation consisting of the Lord Mayor, a Council officer and a volunteer member of the Anchorage Sister Cities Community Committee organised to travel to Anchorage for a three day official visit.

Through consultation with the Municipality of Anchorage and the Anchorage Sister Cities Commission an itinerary was developed to ensure delegates were able to meet a range of stakeholders and discuss a number of items including:

- Illegal camping
- Homelessness
- Indigenous health
- Fire Fighter exchange
- Economic and community development during an oil and gas boom
- Trade and investment climate
- Delivering local government services to a culturally diverse population
- Educational exchanges at the Primary, Secondary and Tertiary level
- Indigenous training and employment programs
- Services for seniors

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The program was a mix of formal meetings, official receptions, and social networking opportunities. This enabled delegates to participate in direct discussions but also to obtain new ideas and contacts through informal conversations. The ability to meet a wide range of stakeholders was a strength of the delegation. Full details of the itinerary can be seen in **Attachment A Anchorage Delegation Itinerary July 2012**.

The Municipality of Anchorage and the plethora of stakeholders met, valued and appreciated the opportunity to talk to the delegation about their areas of expertise, but to also learn more about Darwin. The visit reinforced the value of face-to-face communication and its ability to surpass email, letters and phone communications.

The Lord Mayor participated in a wide variety of media opportunities during the visit, which subsequently received positive coverage in local media.

Whilst the official visit was only three days, additional appointments were made outside this to meet additional stakeholders in the Darwin to Anchorage relationship including the Anchorage Fire Department and ConocoPhillips.

## **Conclusion**

- The Anchorage delegation was successful in reaffirming support for the Sister City relationship.
- The opportunity to meet face-to-face with Sister City stakeholders can not be underestimated.

## **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

In preparing this Report the following parties were consulted:

- Senior Community Development Officer - Liveability

## **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

The delegation to Anchorage was undertaken in accordance with City of Darwin Police 053 – Sister Cities.

## **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Nil pertaining to this report.

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

None pertaining to this report.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

None pertaining to this report.



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### **COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

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

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**Attachment A:** Anchorage Delegation Itinerary July 2012

**DARWIN DELEGATION  
VISIT TO ANCHORAGE  
July 2012**

**ITINERARY**

**Darwin Delegation:**

Name	Position	Organisation
Ms Katrina Fong Lim	Lord Mayor	City of Darwin (Darwin City Council)
Miss. Hayley Barich	Contact for Sister Cities	City of Darwin (Darwin City Council)
Mrs. Korin Lesh	Anchorage Sister City Community Committee member	Anchorage Sister City Community Committee Member

**Anchorage Contacts:**

Name	Position	Organisation
Ms Lindsey Whitt	Mayor's Communication Director	Municipality of Anchorage
Ms Betty Fauber	Mayor's Executive Secretary	Municipality of Anchorage
Ms Gayle Mathisen	Commissioner	Anchorage Sister Cities Commission
Mr Chris Kosinski	Commissioner	Anchorage Sister Cities Commission
Ms Charlene Howe	Chair	Anchorage Sister Cities Commission

**Travel Schedule:**

Day	Date	From	Time	To	Time	Airline	Flight No.
Sat	14 Jul	Vancouver	11:50	Anchorage	14:11	Air Canada	AC538
Sat	21 Jul	Anchorage	15:00	Vancouver	19:07	Air Canada	AC537

**Accommodation Schedule:**

Location	Hotel	Check-In			Check-out		
		Day	Date	Time	Day	Date	Time
939 W. 5th Ave., Anchorage, AK 99501	Hotel Captain Cook Phone: (907) 276-6000 * 1-800-843-1950	Sat	14 Jul	15:00	Sat	21 Jul	10:00

**Recommended dress codes:**

Wednesday through Thursday and Mayor's Luncheon	- business attire
Thursday afternoon sightseeing and dinner	- casual (outdoor activities may be cool, please bring a sweater and/ or coat)

<b>Day 1, Saturday 14 July 2012</b>	
1411	<p><i>Arrive Anchorage, Air Canada AC538</i></p> <p>Transportation to Hotel Captain Cook and assistance with check in. Receive packet with sightseeing ideas/suggestions. Includes restaurant suggestions with addresses and a city map for each.</p> <p>Escort: Commissioners Charlene Howe and David Weatherholt and Lindsey Whitt MO</p>
1500 – 1900	Unpack/ settle in
1900	Dinner, delegation own arrangements
<b>Day 2, Sunday 15 July 2012</b>	
0845 – 1700	Rest Day, delegation own arrangements
1900 – 2000	Dinner, delegation own arrangements
<b>Day 3, Monday 16 July 2012</b>	
0915 – 1015	<p><b><i>Meeting with ConocoPhillips, 9.30am, 700 G. Street - room 2100 board room</i></b></p> <p><u>Attendees:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr Bijan Agarwal - CPAI VP Commercial Assets and Cook Inlet (includes Kenai LNG)</li> <li>• Mr Robert (Bob) Heinrich - CPAI VP Finance</li> <li>• Mr Scott Jepsen - CPAI VP External Affairs</li> <li>• Mr Von Hutchins - CPAI Director Gas Supply and Marketing (Kenai LNG)</li> <li>• Mr Peter Micciche - CPAI Operations Superintendent (Kenai LNG)</li> <li>• Mr Wes Heinold - CPAI VP HSE</li> <li>• Mr Darren Meznarich – CPAI Manager Cook Inlet</li> <li>• Ms Billie Korsunskiy – CPAI Manager Human Resources</li> <li>• Mr Arild Skjervoe – CPAI VP Alaska Exploration</li> </ul> <p><u>Notes:</u> Wes Heinold, HSE VP for Alaska, spent time in Darwin as the HSE Manager and knows the similarities/differences between Darwin and Anchorage with oil and gas developments and community engagements. Peter Micciche has also worked in Darwin. Since its inception in Alaska, ConocoPhillips has promoted a “Hire Alaska” policy with effort an incentive directed towards employing persons who are residents of Alaska. Since the mid-70’s until today 90% of employees are residents of Alaska. Additionally there is a focus on employing Native Alaskan’s. It is a requirement of all contractors to apply these employment policies. ConocoPhillips continually pursue ways in which to engage with the Communities and have ongoing conversations, this includes attending village meeting and tribal Councils. ConocoPhillips supports a trade school on the North Slope where trade skills are taught. There are also opportunities for job shadowing. ConocoPhillips has a philanthropy plan which aligns their sponsorship and donations with community needs. Each resident of Alaska received an annual dividend which is a portion of the interest earned from oil and gas royalties held.</p>
1200 – 1300	<p><b><i>Luncheon with Rogers Park Elementary School Teacher, Ms Dallas Price</i></b></p> <p><u>Notes:</u> Ms Price is keen to expand the exchange between schools in Darwin and her classes at Rogers Park. Ms Price suggested online collaborations, including digital story collaboration. The difference in school year calendars proved to be a problem, thus proper planning is required.</p>
1900 – 2000	<p><b><i>BBQ dinner with Anchorage Fire Department, Station 3</i></b></p> <p><u>Organised and hosted by:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr Yram Lopez, Battalion Chief</li> <li>• Mr Rod Harris, Captain (Previous exchange)</li> <li>• Mr Matt Lambert, Captain (Previous exchange )</li> <li>• Mr Will Anderstrom (Potential exchangee)</li> <li>• All officers on duty at Station 3 also in attendance</li> </ul> <p><u>Notes:</u> All Officers spoke of the positive effects of having the Fire Fighter exchange between Darwin and Anchorage. Three of the four Officers that had been on exchange to Darwin had been promoted to Captain since completing the exchange. The exchange was recognised by Officers as a means to</p>

	professional and personal development. A number of Anchorage exchangees had returned to Darwin after their exchange for holidays. At least two Officers and their families are keen to be considered for exchange should the program get up and running again.
<b>Day 4, Tuesday 17 June 2011</b>	
0800 - 0845	Breakfast
1030 – 1200	<p><b><i>Visit to Alaska Native Heritage Center</i></b>  Escort: Erin Kirkland, Owner Publisher, AK on the Go</p> <p><u>Attendees:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms Annette Evans Smith, President and CEO</li> <li>• Mr David Farve, Public Relations Specialist</li> </ul> <p><u>Notes:</u>  The Center is a collaboration between all native tribal groups in Alaska. Each distinctive tribal group has an Advisory Committee that decide how each culture should be incorporated into the center.  The Center has two main functions. The summer “living museum” and employment program and the winter after school program. Both programs focus on youth learning and practicing their culture and restoring pride in their culture.  The Center is in most part funded by admissions received by visitors to the center.</p>
1200 – 1300	<p><b><i>Lord Mayor Interview, Alaska Live, ABC studios, Anchorage</i></b></p> <p>Host: Bernadette Fournier.</p> <p>Alaska Live is a local day time news and events show, focusing on local issues and content. Filmed in the ABC studios, the Lord Mayor was asked about her impressions of Anchorage, the similarities between Darwin and Anchorage and the importance of the Sister City philosophy.</p>
1300 – 1315	<p>Travel to appointment at Port of Anchorage, Main Office  Note: Photo ID required  Escorts: Commissioner Father Elliot and Lindsey Whitt/ MO</p>
1315 – 1420	<p><b><i>Meeting with Port of Anchorage.</i></b></p> <p><u>Attendees:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr Richard Wilson, Port Director</li> <li>• Ms Amy Culhane, Director of Marketing and Public Affairs</li> </ul> <p>Provided with an overview of the Port of Anchorage and discussed the similarities between Darwin and Anchorage. Provided the Port Director with packages of information relating to Port of Darwin.</p>
1430 – 1445	Travel to City Hall. Park behind building. Go to 8 <sup>th</sup> Floor Mayors Conference Room.
1500 – 1630	<p><b><i>Meeting to discuss illegal camping, indigenous health and homelessness.</i></b></p> <p><u>Attendees:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms Susan Bomalaski – Executive Director, Catholic Social Services</li> <li>• Mr Ed O'Neill – President/ Program Director, Beverage Retailers Association</li> <li>• Father Noman Elliott – Member of the Housing &amp; Neighbourhood Development (HAND) Commission</li> <li>• Ms Gloria O'Neill – President/ CEO, Cook Inlet Tribal</li> <li>• Ms Katherine Gottlieb – President/ CEO, South Central Foundation</li> <li>• Mr Larry Baker, Chief of Staff, Municipality of Anchorage</li> </ul> <p><u>Notes:</u>  Mayor Sullivan established the Taskforce on Homelessness which brings together all agencies and service providers operating in the area to ensure better coordination of services. By coming together it forced the group to look at how they could deliver services to clients more efficiently. Working in partnership has enabled the taskforce to have measurable success.  The Anchorage Responsible Beverage Retailers Association (ARBRA) encourages its member businesses to practice the socially conscious sale of alcohol in an effort to benefit the community of Anchorage. ARBRA also has a Community Clean-up program, a day labour program offered to the homeless community and aimed at cleaning up illegal campsites.  Despite much controversy, Carlick Manor, a 'wet' short term housing complex was opened recently in Anchorage. This project is based on the 'Housing First' model. This model is based on the concept that a homeless individual or household's first and primary need is to obtain stable housing, and that other issues that may affect the individual or the household can and should be addressed once housing is obtained. This model infers that unless a client's housing needs are met, they will be less likely to participate and continue with services. Already data is showing that whilst Carlick</p>



	Manor is 'wet' accommodation, clients are decreasing their level of drinking. Approximately each person in Carlick Manor costs the state \$20K compared to \$60K for those who are still on the street.
1630 – 1645	Drive guests back to Hotel Captain Cook, if nice weather they can walk escorted by Lindsey Whitt and a Commissioner.
1700 – 1830	Dinner, delegation own arrangements
<b>Day 5, Wednesday 18 July 2012</b>	
0845 - 0900	Meet at reception at the Hotel Captain Cook (939 W. 5th Avenue) and escorted to Anchorage Chamber of Commerce/Board Room (1016 W 6th Ave # 303). Walk if nice weather. One/two vehicles if not.  Escorts: Commissioner Chris Kosinski and Lindsey Whitt/ MO.
0900 – 1015	<b><i>Continental Breakfast meeting with Anchorage Chamber of Commerce and Anchorage Economic Development Authority, and Board Members.</i></b>  <u>Attendees:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sami Glascott, President Anchorage Chamber of Commerce</li> <li>• Bill Popp, President &amp; CEO, Anchorage Economic Development Corporation</li> <li>• John Parrott, Airport Manager, Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport</li> <li>• Chris Brown, Director, Business Planning Management, at&amp;t</li> <li>• Other Board Members</li> </ul> <u>Notes:</u> In response to the oil and gas boom experienced in Anchorage during the mid-70's the Anchorage Economic Development Authority was developed to ensure development of Anchorage's other industries maintained pace with the boom. The AEDA recently held a 'hackerthon' event where programmers and coders participated in a competition to see who could develop the best app for the city. The winner developed an app that tracked the city buses and indicated when a particular bus was at a station on its route. This is particularly useful for commuters who don't want to stand at bus shelters during the winter months. Members provided some background on the 'Project 80's' which was an initiative to ensure oil and gas money was invested in community infrastructure.
1015 – 1030	Walk/drive depending on weather to the Performing Arts Center (PAC - 621 W. 6th Avenue).  Escorts: Commissioner Chris Kosinski and Lindsey Whitt/ MO
1030 – 1100	<b><i>Tour of Performing Arts Centre</i></b>  <u>Attendees:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms Nancy Harbour, Director, Anchorage Performing Arts Centre</li> </ul> <u>Notes</u> The Performing Arts Centre (PAC) was built as part of the 'Project 80's' program of works. The PAC hosts local, national and international acts with an average of 400 bookings per year. The PAC has a number of resident groups that have a special usage agreement. Most of these are local and amateur groups. Each group has to commit to a special usage and performance schedule before being considered a resident group.
1100 – 1110	Walk to City Hall (632 W. 6 <sup>th</sup> Avenue)
11:10 – 1150	<b><i>Courtesy call with Mayor Sullivan.</i></b> Venue: Mayor's Office, 8 <sup>th</sup> Floor City Hall  Introductions, discussion of Sister City Program, exchange of gifts and photo opportunity <u>Attendees:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayor Sullivan</li> <li>• Darwin Delegation (x 4)</li> <li>• Commissioner Chris Kosinski</li> <li>• Lindsey Whitt/ MO</li> </ul> <u>Notes:</u> Raised the idea of reigniting the Fire Fighter Exchange.
1150 – 1200	All courtesy call attendees walk to Petrovich Park for Sister Cities 30 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration and lunch

1200 – 1300	<p><b>“Music in the Park”</b></p> <p>Special event to celebrate the 30th sister city anniversary with Darwin. Hosted by the Anchorage Sister Cities Commission. Features musical entertainment by the Anchorage fold band, the Asteroids.</p> <p>MC: Commissioner Chris Kosinski</p> <p>Running Order:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MC Kosinski: Welcome audience (1200 noon sharp) 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary (1 min)</li> <li>• MC introduce Mayor Sullivan (1 min)</li> <li>• Mayor Sullivan: Recognise First lay if in attendance. Read Proclamation (3 min.)</li> <li>• Mayor Sullivan introduce Lord Mayor Fong Lim (1 min)</li> <li>• Lord Mayor Fong Lim brief response/speech (2 min.).</li> <li>• MC introduces The Asteroids (30 sec)</li> <li>• Group comes on stage to perform (8.5 mins)</li> <li>• Performance (48 – 50 mins)</li> <li>• MC Kosinski thanks everyone for coming (1 min)</li> </ul> <p><u>Attendees</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Darwin delegation</li> <li>• Anchorage Sister Cities Commissioners</li> <li>• Mayor of Anchorage</li> <li>• Municipality of Anchorage Staff</li> <li>• General public</li> </ul> <p><b>Mayor’s weekly Press Conference on location</b></p> <p>Lord Mayor Fong Lim participated with Mayor Sullivan in his weekly press conference and undertook a number of television interviews. Press release sent to media list prior.</p> <p>Special Alaskan lunch (picnic) from street vendors for Darwin delegation hosted by ASC Commission. Served during performance.</p> <p><u>Notes:</u></p> <p>Music in the Park is a regular event held in Anchorage in the summer months in the downtown parks. Similar to the Music in the Library program, local and amateur performers are invited to perform. This performance attracted a good crowd and was positive publicity for the Sister Cities program. In excess of five media outlets covered the event. Mayor Sullivan conducts a weekly press conference and outlines upcoming activities in the municipality.</p>
1230	Cut and serve cake. Serve guests first, then audience.
1315 – 1330	<p>Walk back to City Hall to get vehicles.</p> <p>Escorts: Commissioner Chris Kosinski and Lindsey Whitt/ MO</p>
1330 – 1345	Drive to Anchorage Senior Centre/ Sullivan Room (1300 E. 19 <sup>th</sup> Avenue – 258-7823)
1345 – 1415	<p><b>Meeting with Senior Advisory Commission and Anchorage Senior Centre</b></p> <p>Venue: Sullivan Room/ Senior Centre.</p> <p>Cathy Lee, Senior Centre Director (258-7823)</p> <p>Linda Meyer, Municipality Staff for Senior Advisory Commission (343-4763)</p> <p><u>Attendees:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms Cathy Less, Executive Director, Anchorage Senior Activity Center</li> <li>• Ms Rosa Garcia, Counselor, Medicare Information Office</li> <li>• Ms Maria James, Membership Coordinator, Anchorage Senior Activity Center</li> <li>• Ms Carmen Montano, Health and Wellness Coordinator, Anchorage Senior Activity Center</li> <li>• Ms AnnaBell Stevens, Senior Advisory Commission</li> </ul> <p><u>Notes:</u></p> <p>Discussion of possible activities between seniors from Darwin and Anchorage, including an international bingo event. The Senior Centre has a computer lab and art room. Opportunities for exchange through art/ quilting/ dancing/ bingo as these are prominent activities at the Senior Centre. Insufficient meeting time to discuss items at length and to get a better sense of how these stakeholders can become project partners.</p> <p>The Senior Advisory Commission provides advice to the municipality on issues relating to seniors, i.e. accessibility issues and identifying Senior Friendly businesses. They provide an annual report to the Municipality.</p> <p>There is an interagency breakfast each month for those in the sector to network.</p>

	Anchorage's Office of Emergency Management manages the Emergency Preparedness Register, a database of clients and their needs in the case of an emergency.
1420 – 1450	<p><b><i>Meeting with Anchorage Schools Department</i></b></p> <p><u>Attendees:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Superintendant, Anchorage School District</li> <li>• Mr Todd Hess, Director Contract Administration Human Resources, Anchorage School District</li> <li>• Other members of the Anchorage School District</li> </ul> <p><u>Notes:</u> Discussion regarding possible teacher exchange between Darwin and Anchorage. There are a number of barriers that need to be overcome, however the Superintendant is very keen to support this type of exchange. Insufficient time to discuss the exchange proposal.</p>
1455 – 1510	Darwin delegation with escorts drive to Anchorage Museum of History and Art at Rasmuson Center (121 W. 7th Ave.).
1515 – 1630	<p><b><i>Visit to Anchorage Museum of History and Art</i></b></p> <p><u>Attendees:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• James Pepper Henry, Museum Director/ CEO, Anchorage Museum at Rasmuson Center</li> <li>• Jara Haas, Sales and Marketing Manager, Anchorage Museum at Rasmuson Center</li> <li>• Aron Crowell, Alaska Director, Arctic Studies Center, Smithsonian Institution</li> </ul> <p><u>Notes:</u> Undertook a tour of Museum, focusing on Indigenous Culture. Discussion of possible e-links between the Museum and Darwin classrooms. How Darwin students may visit the Museum via cyberspace.</p>
1630 – 1645	<p>Drive to World Trade Center Alaska (431 W. 7th Ave. 108) (Park behind City Hall)</p> <p>Escort: Commissioner Chris Kosinski and Lindsey Whitt/ MO.</p>
1700 – 1830	<p>Reception hosted by the World Trade Center Alaska—Greg Wolf, Executive Director. Held at the offices of the WTCAL (431 W 7th Ave # 108). WTC Alaska Membership has been invited.</p> <p><u>Attendees:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Greg Wolf, Executive Director, World Trade Center Alaska 278-7233</li> <li>• Alex Salov, Business Operations Manager, World Trade Center Alaska 278-7235</li> <li>• Peter Ratner, Program Coordinator, World Trade Center Alaska</li> <li>• Susan Harrington, Managing Editor, Alaska Business Monthly</li> <li>• Michael Catsi, Business Development Officer, Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority</li> <li>• John Stalvey, Dean, Professor of Biological Sciences, University of Alaska Anchorage</li> <li>• Mayor Sullivan</li> <li>• Other members of the World Trade Center Alaska</li> </ul> <p><u>Notes:</u> A social gathering with the opportunity to network with members of the Anchorage business community.</p>
1830 – 1845	Car drop off at Hotel Captain Cook.
1900	Dinner, own arrangements
<b>Day 6, Thursday 19 July 2012</b>	
0815 – 0830	<p>Pick up from hotel – 4th Avenue entrance. Walk/Drive to City Hall, Mayor's Conference Room on the 8th floor.</p> <p>Escort: Commissioner Ian Dutton and Lindsey Whitt/ MO</p>
0830 – 0930	<p><b><i>Breakfast Meeting with the Anchorage Assembly.</i></b> Prepared information packs on City of Darwin (Darwin City Council) to be provided.</p> <p><u>Attendees:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elvi Gray-Jackson, Assembly Member</li> <li>• Ernie Hall, Chair</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jennifer Johnson, Assembly Member</li> <li>• Adam Trombley, Assembly Member</li> <li>• Chris Birch, Assembly Member</li> <li>• Patrick Flynn, Assembly Member</li> <li>• Julia Tucker, Assembly Counsel</li> <li>• Amanda Moeser, Clerks Office</li> <li>• Barbara Jones, City Clerk</li> </ul>
	<p><u>Notes:</u> Each Assembly member discussed their involvement with Local Government, their constituents and the key priorities for their respective areas. Individual discussions on community engagement in the decision making process, safety and security perceptions of the public, different services delivered. Discussed liveable cities, peak bodies and sharing of information and best practice at the local government level. Chair Ernie Hall and Lord Mayor briefly spoke to the group of the history and importance of the Sister City relationship.</p>
0945 – 1000	<p>Drive to the University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA). Driving tour through campus.</p> <p>Escorts for today: Commissioner Ian Dutton and Lindsey Whitt/ MO.</p>
1000 – 1100	<p><b><i>Meeting with University of Anchorage Alaska Chancellor</i></b> Discussion: Sister Universities—UAA and Charles Darwin University. Promotional material about Charles Darwin University to be provided.</p> <p><u>Attendees:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thomas Case, Chancellor, University of Alaska Anchorage</li> <li>• Kim Peterson, International Studies, University of Alaska Anchorage</li> <li>• Eric Pederson, VC for Enrolment, University of Alaska Anchorage</li> <li>• Cater, International Student Advisor</li> <li>• Steven Watt, Graduate, from Sydney, Australia</li> <li>• Pam, Chancellors Office, University of Alaska Anchorage</li> </ul> <p><u>Notes:</u> UAA has a number of MOU and exchange agreements with Universities all over the world. UAA does not need to seek external approval to establish an agreement. Each agreement is set up with the intention of it being reciprocal, 1 students in and 1 students out. Whilst there is limited interest from both sides in establishing another student exchange, there is possibility of developing a relationship between schools or research areas in our respective universities, ie. ANSEP at UAA and the CDU School of Oil and Gas. Breif discussion about what Local Governments can do to make cities more 'student friendly.'</p>
1100 – 1115	<p>Drive back to Hotel Captain Cook.</p>
1115 – 1145	<p>Brief time to freshen up. Lord Mayor to dress in Mayoral robes.</p>
1200 – 1330	<p><b><i>Formal Luncheon celebration 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Sister City relationship</i></b> Hosted by Mayor Sullivan Venue: Hotel Captain Cook, Quarter Deck.</p> <p>MC: Lindsey Whitt/ MO. Podium and mic provided.</p> <p>Running order</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Briefly welcome guests. Invite them to start buffet line (30 sec)</li> <li>• When everyone is about finished with dessert (or no later than 1:15pm) MC Whitt to briefly introduce Mayor Sullivan (1.5 mins)</li> <li>• Brief welcome remarks – Mayor Sullivan (2 minutes).</li> <li>• Mayor Sullivan introduces Lord Mayor Fong Lim (1 min)</li> <li>• Remarks from Lord Mayor Fong Lim (3-5 minutes) (Lord Mayor to wear official robes and tell the crowd about Darwin)</li> <li>• MC Whitt to thank everyone for coming (1 min).</li> </ul> <p><u>Attendees:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dan Sullivan, Mayor of Anchorage</li> <li>• Ernie Hall, Chai, Anchorage Assembly</li> <li>• Chris Aadnesen, CEO and President, Alaska Railroad</li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Walter Hickel, President, Captain Cook Hotel</li> <li>Rene Haag, Alaska's Small Businessperson of the year 2012</li> <li>Raquel Edelen, Vice President, Captail Cook Hotel</li> <li>Chris Birch, Anchorage Assembly</li> <li>Diane Kaplan, President and CEO, Rasmuson Foundation</li> <li>George Vakalis, Municipal Manager</li> <li>Lindsey Whitt, Mayor's Office, Communications Director</li> <li>Chris Kosinski, Anchorage Sister Cities Commission, Darwin Representative</li> <li>Richard Wilson, Director, Port of Anchorage</li> <li>Greg Wolf, Executive Director, World Trade Center of Alaska</li> <li>Gayle Mathiesen, Anchorage Sister Cities Commissions</li> <li>Chris Bushue, Chief, Anchorage Fire Department</li> <li>Ian Dutton, Anchorage Sister Cities Commission</li> <li>Colette LaRose, Vice President, Anchorage Sister Cities Commission</li> <li>Gloria O'Neill, President and CEO, Cook Inlet Tribal Council</li> <li>Norman Elliot, Anchorage Sister Cities Commission</li> <li>Jason Lott, Director of Sales and Marketing, Alyeska Resort</li> <li>John Parrott, Manager, Ted Stevens International Airport</li> <li>Charlene Howe, Chair, Anchorage Sister Cities Commission</li> <li>Jenna Mason, Intern, Mayor's Office</li> </ul>
	<p><u>Notes:</u> Opportunity to meet with key stakeholders in the Darwin and Anchorage sister city relationship and provide update on current projects. Opportunity to celebrate and recognise the achievements of the Sister City relationship and thank the City of Anchorage for their hospitality.</p>
1330 – 1400	Briefly change to casual clothes for sightseeing. Bring cameras, coat.
1400 - 1600	<p>(Cars parked behind City Hall.) Pick up at Hotel Capt. Cook – 4th Avenue entrance. Sightseeing trip. Driver(s)/Escort(s): Commissioner Ian Dutton and Lindsey Whitt/ MO. Scenic drive down Turnagain Arm to Girdwood and Alyeska Resort. Tour of Alyeska Hotel. Meet Jason Lott, Director of Sales &amp; Marketing.</p> <p><u>Attendees:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jason Lott, Director of Sales and Marketing, Alyeska Resport</li> </ul>
	<p><u>Notes:</u> Discussed Alyeska's target markets, diversification of services offered and plans for a winter Olympics bid.</p>
1700	Depart Alyeska
1800 – 1930	<p><b><i>Sister Cities Barbeque</i></b> Hosted by Anchorage Sister Cities Commission Venue: Kincaid Chalet Speeches: Firs Lady Lynette Sullivan, Lord Mayor Fong Lim and Chair Charlene Howe. City-to-city gift exchange.</p> <p><u>Attendees:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First Lady Lynette Sullivan</li> <li>Anchorage Sister Cities Commissioners and their families</li> <li>Australians and New Zealanders in Alaska Friendship Group members and families</li> <li>Jeff Bottorff, Project Manager, Kakivik Asset Management</li> <li>Ben Schoffman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Kakivik Asset Management</li> </ul>
	<p><u>Notes:</u> Social function with those involved with the Sister Cities program. Opportunity to network with Australians/ new Zealanders in Alaska and discuss possible sister city projects. Connected with businesses that have staff moving working in Darwin.</p>
1930 – 2000	<p>Depart Kincaid Chalet and return to Hotel Capt. Cook Escort: Commissioner Ian Dutton</p> <p>END of Official Visit</p>
<b>Day 7, Friday 20 July 2012</b>	

0900 – 1700	Rest day, delegation own arrangements
1900 – 2000	Dinner, delegation own arrangements
<b>Day 8, Saturday 21 July 2012</b>	
0900	Breakfast, delegation own arrangements
1200 – 1400	Check out and depart Hotel Captain Cook for the airport – 4 <sup>th</sup> Avenue entrance.  Transportation to the airport by ASCC Charlene Howe.

**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE/OPEN**
**AGENDA ITEM: 10.2.3**
**437<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE CITY OF AMBON**
**REPORT No.: 12C0074 JB:kl      COMMON No.: 2301622**
**DATE: 22/10/2012**
**Presenter:            General Manager, Community & Cultural Services, John Banks**
**Approved:            General Manager, Community & Cultural Services, John Banks**
**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of the Lord Mayor's attendance at the 437<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the City of Ambon event on September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012 in Ambon, Indonesia.

**LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

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**

6      Promote Brand Darwin

**Outcome**

6.2    Promote our Darwin city

**Key Strategies**

6.2.4   Strengthen international relationships through Sister Cities and other activities

**KEY ISSUES**
**Invitation**

An invitation was received from the Mayor of Ambon Mr Richard Louhenapessy, SH for the Lord Mayor of Darwin to attend the celebration of the 437<sup>th</sup> Ambon City Anniversary on September 7 2012.

The Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim and General Manager Community and Cultural Services Mr John Banks attended the 437<sup>th</sup> Ambon City Anniversary celebrations from September 5 to September 7 2012.

**Importance of Sister City Relationship to Ambon**

The level of importance and value placed upon the Sister City Relationship by Ambon was highly evident. From the moment of arrival, the personal greeting by Mayor of Ambon Mr Richard Louhenapessy to the full welcoming ceremony, accompanying police escort and high level officials who accompanied the delegation

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at all times, communicated great respect and a high level of importance assigned to the Lord Mayor's visit. Significant points included:

- The Lord Mayor's recognition by the Ambon Parliament.
- The Lord Mayor was invited to address the Ambon Parliament.
- Meetings with Governor Karel Albert Ralagaky and Vice Governor Ir Said Assagaf.

## **KEY DISCUSSION POINTS**

During the visit a number of key issues were discussed including:

### **Importance and Significance of the 437<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations**

The 437<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations was a major event with hundreds of participants, and senior delegate attendance including:

- Indonesian Consul Mr Ade Padmo Sarwono and Senior Officer for Information and Social Culture Mr Jerry Matahelumla
- Peter van Rooji Director International Labour Office
- Mr Peter Styles MLA Northern Territory Government

The position of Lord Mayor is highly regarded within Indonesia. The Lord Mayor afforded the opportunity to senior Government and Industry representatives and can facilitate introductions and discussions to the mutual benefit of all parties.

### **Tourism**

- The potential and desirability of a direct flight service between Darwin & Ambon.
- Discussions about the potential value of the Darwin to Ambon Yatch Race.
- Military history tourism.
- Whale watching tourism opportunities.

### **Military History**

- The recommencement of ANZAC Day ceremonies in Ambon.
- Discussion about developing Military History tourism within the Region and joint promotion.
- Enhanced recognition of Gull Force & Australians buried at the Ambon cemetery.
- Opportunity to thank Mr Syamsudin for his work and care for the cemetery for the past 18 years.

### **Education**

- The recognised value of the teacher & student exchange program.
- The potential and desirability for students to attend higher education study at Charles Darwin University

### **Trade and Industry**

- The cattle industry and local management practices and needs.
- Issues in respect to the import of spices.
- Food safety and testing requirements.

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### **Local Government**

- Waste management issues and practices.
- Environmental management.
- Road construction and maintenance.
- Disaster recovery.
- Governance and management structures and practices.
- Potential professional development exchanges.

### **Attachments**

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### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- A. THAT Report Number 12C0074 JB:kl entitled, 437<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the City of Ambon be received and noted.



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## **BACKGROUND**

Council formally signed a Sister City Agreement with the City of Ambon on the 21<sup>st</sup> July 1989.

The proximity of Indonesia to Darwin and the large Asian community in Darwin form the foundation of our affiliation. Three Indonesian cities were considered before Ambon was selected, Ambon, Kupang and Ujung-Pandang. The affiliation received great support from the Indonesian Consul, the Australian Ambassador in Jakarta, the Australian Indonesian Association in Darwin and the Darwin community.

The links between Darwin and Ambon date as far back as World War II and annual delegations have taken place to Ambon to commemorate ANZAC Day. Links were strengthened by the annual Darwin/Ambon International Yacht Race that ran with great success for many years resulting in close friendships between the two communities.

## **DISCUSSION**

The current Ambon Sister City Community Committee members are:

- Mr Rick Setter
- Ms Christine Silvester
- Mr Leigh Gregory
- Ms Judy Miller
- Mr Jherry Matahelumual
- Mr Yopie Pattinasarany
- Alderman Garry Lambert
- Alderman Allan Mitchell

### **Status of Current Projects**

#### **Darwin to Ambon Yacht Race (Annual)**

- Ambon Sister City Community Committee sponsor a perpetual trophy.
- Darwin Lord Mayor hosts a reception for participants of the race before they leave for Ambon.
- The Lord Mayor went to Ambon to present the Council sponsored trophy in 2010, and an Alderman from the Ambon Sister Cities Community Committee went in 2011. Each time the Council representative took advantage of the charter flight organised for the occasion.
- During their visit to Ambon the Lord Mayor/ Alderman have visited our sister school SMA Negeri 5 and paid a courtesy visit to the Mayor of Ambon.

#### **Student Exchange**

- In August 2011 Council successfully launched its short term Ambon to Darwin student and teacher exchange.
- This project is a partnership with Kormilda College, SMA Negeri 5 and the City of Ambon.
- 2 students and 1 teacher from SMA Negeri 5 Ambon are hosted by Kormilda College for 3 weeks.

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- Council hosts Lord Mayoral receptions for all students and teachers from Ambon that participate in the Department of Education exchange.
- This project took over two years to come to fruition with the previous Mayor of Ambon. Since the appointment of Mr Richard Louhenapessy as Mayor of Ambon, it appears this program has become a priority for the City of Ambon. Mr Louhenapessy had the opportunity to tour Kormilda College on his visit in June 2012.

### Indonesian Garden at CDU

The Committee has commissioned and received two wooden statues which have been donated to the Indonesian Garden at Charles Darwin University.

### **Background and History**

The proximity of Indonesia to Darwin and the large Asian community in Darwin form the foundation of our affiliation. The links between Darwin and Ambon date as far back as World War II and annual delegations have taken place to Ambon to commemorate ANZAC Day. Links were strengthened by the annual Darwin/Ambon International Yacht Race that ran with great success for many years resulting in close friendships between the two communities.

Successful programs between the two cities have included teacher and student exchanges, a librarian exchange achieved through a grant of \$3,000 from the Rotary Club of Darwin North, a "Gifts for Neighbours Project" in cooperation with the Lioness Club of Casuarina, donations of books to the Ambon Public Library and the University Library transported without charge by Merpati Airlines and a grant of \$5,872 from the Australian Indonesian Institute to help fund a visit by a cultural dance group from Ambon to perform in Darwin.

Numerous delegations have occurred in both directions. In October 1988, Lord Mayor Alec Fong Lim led a delegation of 21 persons to Ambon for 4 days to sign a "Letter of Intent" and in July 1989 Darwin welcomed its biggest delegation ever of 52 Ambonese.

In October 2003, Council worked collaboratively with an aid organisation to provide much needed assistance in the form of a solutions package to a rabies emergency, which struck the City of Ambon, and at the time of program implementation, had already left 10 people dead. The program was delivered by Medecins Sans Frontiers through their aid office in Ambon following the commitment of \$6,000 in Lord Mayor appeal funds. Community fundraising for Ambon commenced in 1999 after violence broke out in Ambon, leaving the city in turmoil.

In 2004, to commemorate the lifting of the State of Emergency in Ambon, Council brought a highly acclaimed photographic exhibition entitled 'Reborn - Ambon after the Conflict' to Darwin. The photographer, Jakarta based Mr Tanyo Bangun, accompanied the exhibition as a guest of the Council. The exhibition portrayed the plight of the People of Ambon and emanated hope out of devastation, providing the Darwin community with a tangible illustration of the situation faced by Ambon. During this time, Council welcomed a delegation from the Ambon Mayor revitalising the

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sister city relationship and strengthening ties for the bright new future Ambon is now embarking on.

In 2010, former Lord Mayor Graeme Sawyer travelled to Ambon to officiate in the renewed Darwin - Ambon Yacht Race and Council's Ambon Sister City Community Committee has established a perpetual trophy to the now invigorated Darwin - Ambon Yacht Race.

### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

Nil

### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Airfares	\$3500
Other costs	\$ 273

The accommodation was generously paid for by Ambon.

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

The Australian Government Smart Traveller Website was accessed prior to travel.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

### **COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

The Author declares that he does not have a Conflict of Interest in relation to this matter.

**JOHN BANKS**  
**GENERAL MANAGER**  
**COMMUNITY & CULTURAL**  
**SERVICES**

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## PEMERINTAH KOTA AMBON

Mengundang dengan hormat Bapak/Ibu/Saudara/i pada acara :

# UPACARA HUT KOTA AMBON KE – 437

Jumat, 07 September 2012, Pukul 09.00 WIT

Bertempat di Lapangan Merdeka Ambon

a.n. WALIKOTA AMBON  
SEKRETARIS KOTA



A.G. LATUHERU, SH., M.Si  
Pembina Utama Muda  
NIP. 19611105 198303 1 018

### RSPV

❖ Evy Hp.0821 9878 2599  
❖ Yudha Hp.0821 9854 8555  
❖ Oka Hp.0852 4311 3074

### Catatan :

Mohon hadir 15 menit sebelum acara dimulai  
Pakaian Pria : Baniang dan Kabaya Dansa  
Pakaian Wanita : Kebaya Ambon



PEMKOT AMBON



## PEMERINTAH KOTA AMBON

Mengundang dengan hormat Bapak/Ibu/Saudara/i pada acara :

# RESEPSI HUT KOTA AMBON KE - 437

Jumat, 07 September 2012, Pukul 19.00 WIT

Bertempat di Kediaman Walikota Ambon

a.n. WALIKOTA AMBON  
SEKRETARIS KOTA



A.G. LATUHERU, SH., M.Si  
Pembina Utama Muda  
NIP. 19611105 198303 1 018

### RSPV

❖ Evy Hp.0821 9878 2599  
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### Catatan :

Mohon hadir 15 menit sebelum acara dimulai  
Pakaian Pria : Baju Kurung  
Pakaian Wanita : Baju Kurung

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**WALIKOTA AMBON**

SPEECH  
(TRANSLATION)  
IN CELEBRATION OF 437<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
OF AMBON CITY, YEAR OF 2012  
DELIVERED TO PLENARY ASSEMBLY  
OF AMBON CITY PARLIAMENT

AMBON, SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> 2012





## WALIKOTA AMBON

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SPEECH

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DELIVERED TO PLENARY ASSEMBLY OF AMBON CITY  
PARLIAMENT

AMBON, SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> 2012

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GREETINGS TO ALL OF US,

THE HONORABLE...

1. VICE MAYOR OF AMBON AND MRS. ADE LATUCONSINA
2. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF AMBON CITY  
PARLIAMENT
3. CHAIRMAN OF COORDINATION FORUM OF HEAD OF  
OFFICES OF AMBON CITY



4. MRS. KATRINA FONG LIM; THE LORD OF MAYOR OF DARWIN CITY

5. MR. JOHN BANKS; THE GENERAL MANAGER OF COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL SERVICE OF DARWIN CITY

6. SECRETARY OF AMBON CITY, THE EXPERTISE BODIES AND AMBON CITIZENS

TOMORROW, SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> 2012, WE ARE CELEBRATING 437<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF KOTA AMBON MANISE (THE SWEET AMBON CITY). THIS IS A LONG JOURNEY OF A MUNICIPALITY AND WE BELIEVE THAT SUCH A LONG JOURNEY HAD BEEN PASSED JUST BECAUSE OF GOD'S GRACE. SO, AT THIS HAPPY MOMENT, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK ALL OF US TO BRING THE GLORY TO GOD, THE ALMIGHTY, THEREFORE WE WILL BE BLESSED WITH POWER TO KEEP FIGHTING FOR THE WELFARE OF PEOPLE AND OUR BELOVED CITY OF AMBON.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

THIS 437<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY IS CELEBRATED IN IDUL FITRI MOMENT, THEN I MYSELF, ON BEHALF OF MY FAMILY AND GOVERNMENT OF AMBON CITY, WOULD LIKE TO GREET ALL MUSLIM PEOPLE, HAPPY IDUL FITRI 1433 H. *MINAL AIDIN WAL*



FAIDZIN. MAY THIS IDUL FITRI BRING TO US BLESSINGS AND FORGIVENESS.

TODAY, SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> 2012, MALUKU PROTESTANT CHURCH (GPM) IS ALSO CELEBRATING 77<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY. HAPPY ANNIVERSARY. MAY GPM REMAIN UNITED AND SERVING FOR THE GLORY OF GOD IN MALUKU AND MALUKU UTARA.

PERFECT

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

AMONG US, WE HAVE MRS. KATRINA FONG LIM; THE LORD OF MAJOR OF DARWIN CITY AND MR. JOHN BANKS; THE GENERAL MANAGER OF COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL SERVICE OF DARWIN CITY. WELCOME TO AMBON MANISE. IT IS AN HONOUR TO US, GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF AMBON MUNICIPALITY, THAT YOU JOIN US IN THIS YEAR ANIVERSARY. AT THE SAME TIME, YOUR PRESENCE MAKES OUR SISTERHOOD CITY CORPORATION STRONGER. THIS GOOD CORPORATION WILL BE KEPT AND IMPROVED IN THE FUTURE, WHETHER TO BE MORE INTENSIVE INTERNATIONALLY PROMOTING AMBON CITY THROUGH DARWIN TO AMBON YACHT RACE AND OTHER KIND OF CORPORATION IN VARIOUS SECTORS SUCH AS EDUCATION, HEALTH, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF ECONOMIC INVESTMENT.



LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

THE JOURNEY OF AMBON CITY DURING 437 YEARS IS A VERY LONG JOURNEY THAT WE PASSED TOGETHER. A JOURNEY WITH A LOT OF VALUABLE EXPERIENCE, IN HAPPINESS AND SORROW, WITH ACHIEVEMENT AND CHALLENGE, WHICH HAVE MOTIVATED US TO BE MORE MATURE AND WISE. THE ACHIEVEMENT WE GAINED SHOULD ENCOURAGE US TO PERFORM EVEN BETTER IN THE FUTURE.

GOVT

THIS YEAR, AMBON CITY GETS POSITIVE APPRECIATION FROM GOVERNMENT AND OUR COUNTRY MATES, ALSO INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, FOR OUR GREAT ACHIEVEMENT TO BE THE HOST OF A NATIONAL EVENT CALLED *MUSABAQAH TILAWATIL QUR'AN* (MTQ<sup>1</sup>). THE 24<sup>TH</sup> MTQ WAS ORGANISED AND CONDUCTED SUCCESSFULLY, SMOOTHLY, SAFELY AND PEACEFULLY. THIS ACHIEVEMENT HAS ALSO PROVED THAT SPIRIT OF *PELA AND GANDONG*<sup>2</sup> AS OUR LOCAL WISDOM KEEPS ALIVE IN SPIRIT OF BROTHERHOOD BETWEEN RELIGIOUS COMMUNITIES AND *ORANG BASUDARA* (BROTHER AND SISTER) IN AMBON CITY.

PLUS

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<sup>1</sup> MTQ is Quran reading competition, held once in 3 years

<sup>2</sup> Brotherhood recognition between different villages, mostly from different religious



AMBON CITY ALSO RECEIVED ADIPURA<sup>3</sup> CERTIFICATE FROM CENTRAL GOVERNMENT IN CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT DAY 2012, AS MIDDLE CITY THAT COMMITTED TO A CLEAN AND HEALTHY CITY. THIS IS A REWARD FROM NATIONAL GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT AND ALL CITIZENS OF AMBON FOR THE HARD WORK, CONCERN AND DEDICATION TO CREATE "CLEAN AMBON", AS ONE OF PRIORITISED PROGRAMS OF CITY GOVERNMENT. GOVERNMENT OF AMBON CITY WILL KEEP ENCOURAGING PARTICIPATION OF ALL CITIZENS TO WORK TOGETHER FOR "CLEAN AMBON", THROUGH PERSUASION, SOCIALISATION, MEETING AND "JUMPA BERLIAN"<sup>4</sup> MOVEMENT, BESIDES IMPROVING OPERATION OF WASTE AND CLEAN SERVICE THAT HAS BEEN BETTER PERFORMED.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

AMBON CITY ALSO HAD BEEN APPOINTED AS A CITY WITH OPEN GOVERNANCE TYPICALITY, BY PRESIDENTIAL WORKING UNIT FOR MONITORING AND CONTROLLING DEVELOPMENT, INCLUDED 5 MINISTRIES AND INSTITUTIONS PLUS 4 CIVIC ORGANISATIONS. BESIDES THAT, AT THIS YEAR

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<sup>3</sup> Adipura is national award to clean city

<sup>4</sup> JUMPA BERLIAN stands for Jumat Pagi Bersih Lingkungan meaning: Clean environment (whole city) on Friday morning



MALUKU PROVINCE ANNIVERSARY, AMBON CITY WAS AWARDED CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC SERVICE PERFORMANCE COMPETENCE THAT IS GIVEN BY PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT TO DISTRICT LEVEL GOVERNMENT IN MALUKU, AS ONE OF THE CITY WITH GOOD PERFORMANCE IN PUBLIC SERVICE.

THESE MATTERS ENCOURAGE CITY GOVERNMENT TO IMPROVE PERFORMANCE AND PUBLIC SERVICE WHICH RESPONSIVE, CORRECT, SIMPLE, TRANSPARENT AND ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE SAKE OF CITIZENS.

ON THE OTHER SIDE, IN ORDER TO IMPROVE QUALITY OF HUMAN RESOURCE, WE HAD LAUNCHED *GERAKAN AMBON PANDAI MATEMATIKA* (AMBON SMART IN MATH MOVEMENT), IN CORPORATION WITH SURYA INSTITUTE<sup>5</sup>. THIS MOVEMENT AIMS AT GOOD UNDERSTANDING OF STUDENTS ON MATH AND SCIENCE SINCE CHILDHOOD AGE. IT IS EXPECTED THAT YOUNG GENERATION OF AMBON IS SUFFICIENTLY SMART FOR FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF AMBON.

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<sup>5</sup> Jakarta-based Indonesian well known institution for scientific education studies



IN HEALTH, WE KEEP WORKING TO IMPROVE PUBLIC HEALTH THROUGH BASIC HEALTH SERVICE IN PUSKESMAS<sup>6</sup>, IMPROVEMENT OF QUALITY OF MEDICAL PERSONALS, SANITATION, HEALTH PROMOTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF CLEAN AND HEALTHY LIFE. SUPPORTING FACILITIES HAVE BEEN PREPARED INCLUDING FACILITIES TO IMPROVE NORMAL PUSKESMAS<sup>7</sup> TO BE PUSKESMAS WITH HOSPITALISATION SERVICE IN HUTUMURI AND DEVELOPMENT OF EYE CLINIC IN PASSO.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,  
IMPROVEMENT IS ALSO FIGURED OUT IN ECONOMIC ASPECT. IN 2011, ECONOMIC GROWTH OF AMBON CITY WAS 6.77% OR INCREASED 0.12 POINT FROM 2010 THAT WAS 6.65%. THIS ECONOMIC ACHIEVEMENT SHOWED THAT INVESTMENT IS DEVELOPED WELL INCLUDED PRIVATE INVESTMENT. THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW TRADE CENTRES HAVE PROVIDED JOB WHICH PROMOTE PUBLIC WELFARE.

BASE ON STATISTIC DATA, HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX (HDI) SHOWS THAT IN 2011 KOTA AMBON WAS STILL AT THE FIRST GRADE OUT OF 11 DISTRICTS IN MALUKU. LIFE

<sup>6</sup> Puskesmas stands for Pusat Kesehatan Masyarakat, translated: Public Health Service.

<sup>7</sup> Puskesmas not for hospitalization



EXPECTATION OF AMBON WAS 73.16 WHILE PROVINCIAL BENCHMARK WAS 67.6. LITERACY RATE WAS 99.59% WHILE PROVINCIAL RATE WAS 98.14%. SCHOOL ENROLMENT RATE WAS 11.18 WHILE PROVINCIAL RATE WAS 8.82. EXPENDITURE RATE FOR AMBON IS 642.700 RUPIAHS, WHILE PROVINCIAL RATE WAS 617.050 RUPIAHS.

AND SAY

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,  
ACHIEVEMENTS HAVE BEEN GAINED BY AMBON WAS SUPPORTED BY CORPORATION WITH MANY PARTIES. WITH GOVERNMENT OF DARWIN CITY, WE HAVE CORPORATION IN TOURISM AND CULTURE, THROUGH **DARWIN TO AMBON YACHT RACE** ANNUALLY AND STUDENT AND TEACHER EXCHANGE PROGRAM BETWEEN SMA NEGERI 5 AMBON AND KORMILDA COLLEGE DARWIN. IN THE FUTURE, WE WILL IMPROVE OUR CORPORATION IN OTHER SECTORS SUCH AS HEALTH AND ECONOMIC INVESTMENT.

MANAGEMENT

WE HAVE ALSO CORPORATION WITH GOVERNMENT OF VLISINGEN CITY IN THE NETHERLANDS, ESPECIALLY FOR CATARACT SURGERY, CLEFT LIP, SKIN SCORCH AND UROLOGY. IN ORDER TO OPTIMISE THIS CORPORATION, AMBON CITY GOVERNMENT HAS PREPARED EYE CLINIC IN PASSO. EN OPEN SPW



THERE IS ALSO CCORPORATION WITH IUWASH (INDONESIA URBAN WATER, SANITATION & HYHIENE), AN AMERICAN GOVENMENT FUNDED ORGANISATION UNDER USAID, TO IMPROVE PEOPLE' ACCESS TO DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION. RESULT OF THIS CORPORATION IS EMPOWERMENT OF A TEAM WORK FOR DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION CALLED AMPL TO MAKE SANITATION WHITE BOOK AND CITY SANITATION STRATEGY. THIS PROGRAM HAS ALSO SUPPORTED PDAM AMBON IN CONDUCTING SURVEY ON WATER STOCK IN ORDER TO PREPARE ENOUGH WATER SUPPLY IN AMBON CITY.

TOGETHER WITH NATIONAL GOVERNMENT, THROUGH GENERAL DIRECTOR OF SPATIAL MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC WORK MINISTRY, AMBON CITY HAS CONDUCTED GREEN CITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. THIS PROGRAM IS TO MEET REQUIREMENT OF 30% URBAN GREEN SPACE, AS REQUIRED BY UNDANG-UNDANG NUMBER 26 YEAR 2007 ON SPATIAL MANAGEMENT AND DISTRICT REGULATION OF AMBON CITY NUMBER 24 YEAR 20012 ON SPATIAL MANAGEMENT PLAN 2011 – 2031. GREEN CITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM CONSISTS OF MASTER PLAN DEVELOPMENT, GREEN MAP DEVELOPMENT, SOCIALISATION OF AMBON GREEN CITY AND DEVELOPMENT OF DETAILED ENGINEERING DESIGN (DED) OF GREEN OPEN SPACE IN KARANG PANJANG AREA.



LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,  
 LOOKING AT ALL THE ACHIEVEMENTS, THEY GIVE US  
 MOTIVATION TO DO MORE AND BETTER FURTHER BECAUSE  
 WE CANNOT IGNORE THAT WE HAVE SO MANY  
 WEAKNESSES, OBSTACLES AND CHALLENGES TO HANDLE IN  
 THE FUTURE.

AROUND

FLOOD AND LAND SLIDE THAT JUST HAPPENED GAVE US  
 VALUABLE LESSON LEARNT ABOUT IMPORTANCE OF CITY  
 MANAGEMENT FOR A SAFE, COMFORTABLE, CONTROLLED  
 AND SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT. THAT NATURAL  
 DISASTER MADE WE LOST 33 PEOPLE, DESTROYED  
 INFRASTRUCTURE SUCH AS ROAD, BRIDGE, CLEAN WATER  
 AND COMMUNITY RESETTLEMENT. SOME 187 HOUSE ARE  
 SERIOUSLY BROKEN, 434 PLAIN MIDDLE-BROKEN AND  
 CAUSED 34 HOUSES ARE AT RISK. ALL HOUSES ARE  
 LOCATED IN 5 SUB-DISTRICTS. THE DISASTER HAS GREAT  
 IMPACT AT PSYCHOLOGY OF PEOPLE ESPECIALLY FOR  
 THOSE WHO ARE VICTIMISED AND THEIR FAMILIES. TILL  
 NOW 93 HOUSEHOLDS (394 PERSONS) ARE BEING  
 DISPLACED AND CURRENTLY STAYING IN 11 SHELTERS.

URBAN SPATIAL

POLICY TO MANAGE

INCLUDING RELIEF



LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,  
 CONTROLLED AND SUSTAINABLE URBAN SPATIAL  
 UTILISATION IS A CHALLENGE FOR US. HOUSING AREAS  
 THAT LOCATED IN SHIELD AREA, PROTECTED AREA AND  
 SIDE OF RIVER WITH BAD SANITATION HAVE AN IMPACT ON  
 HOW AMBON CITY IS LOOKED. STILL MANY BUILDINGS  
 AROUND THE CITY ARE CONSTRUCTED WITHOUT OFFICIAL  
 PERMISSION. CONTROLLING THIS MATTER THROUGH  
 QUALIFIED PERMISSION, SANCTION, MONITORING ARE NOT  
 OPTIMAL ENOUGH.

AN ORDER AND WELL MANAGED TRANSPORTATION AND  
 PARKING IS STILL GREAT CHALLENGE FOR CITY  
 GOVERNMENT TO KEEP WORKING ON. IT IS REALISED THAT  
 TRANSPORTATION & TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND ATTITUDE  
 OF PEOPLE STILL NEED A LOT OF WORK. ANOTHER  
 INFLUENCING FACTOR IS THE CENTRALISED URBAN  
 ACTIVITIES IN THE CORE AREA OF THE CITY WITH A HIGH  
 DENSITY OF POPULATION. THIS CONTRIBUTES TO TRAFFIC  
 PROBLEM.

URBAN SPATIAL MANAGEMENT HAS BECOME PRIORITY.  
 POLICY TO MANAGE TEMPORARY MARKETS HAS BEEN DONE  
 INCLUDING RELOCATION OF TEMPORARY MARKET FROM



BATU MEJA TO IMAM BONJOL STREET, FROM PASSO TO COOPERATIVE MARKET IN TRANSIT TERMINAL AND RELOCATION OF STREET VENDOR FROM MARDIKA MARKET TO TEMPORARY SITES AROUND MARDIKA MARKET AND FLOATING MARKET. HOWEVER, THE RESULTS ARE NOT OPTIMAL YET. HOWEVER, IN STEAD OF DOING SELLING ACTIVITY IN FLOATING MARKET, PEOPLE TEND TO UTILISE SIDE OF ROAD BY THEN TERRIBLE TRAFFIC JAM HAPPENS.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

BESIDES GOOD ACHIEVEMENT IN ECONOMIC SECTOR, WE STILL HAVE POOR POPULATION WHICH IN 2011 REACHED 7.69% OR 25.500 PEOPLE. NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYMENT WAS 22.738 PEOPLE OR 15.62%. THIS CALLS FOR COMPREHENSIVE AND INTEGRATED POLICY THROUGH COORDINATED EMPOWERMENT AND POVERTY REDUCTION PROGRAMS.

TREATMENT OF HIV HAS BEEN A LATENT RISK IN AMBON. ACCORDING TO 1999 - 2011 DATA, THERE WERE 851 HIV-AIDS INFECTION CASES, CONSISTS OF 851 HIV AND 353 AIDS. WHILE IN THE PERIOD OF JANUARY – AUGUST 2012, 62 PEOPLE ARE NEWLY INFECTED. THIS FIGURE IS NOT INCLUDED RESULT OF SURVEYS IN CAFE, KARAOKE,



ROSTITUTION SITES LIKE TANJUNG BATU MERAH AND OJEK SITES WHERE 76 OUT OF 1000 TARGETS ARE HIV POSITIVELY INDICATED. 422 AMONG THEM HAVE PASSED AWAY.

ACTIVITIES TO PREVENT AND HANDLE HIV-AIDS ARE GOING ON AND SELF-AWARENESS AND BEHAVIOUR OF PEOPLE IS BEING PRIORITISED. DRUGS AND ALCOHOLIC DRINKS ARE STILL NEEDED TO HANDLE IN ORDER NOT TO CREATE WIDER SOCIAL IMPACT.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

AMBON CITY ANNIVERSARY THIS YEAR IS CELEBRATED UNDER THE SPIRIT OF "ARIKA BENAHI AMBON". ARIKA IS LOCAL WORD, IN INDONESIAN MEANS AGGRESSIVE AND PASSIONATE OR ENTHUSIASTIC. THIS CAN BE UNDERSTOOD AS AGGRESSIVELY OR PASSIONATELY DEVELOP AMBON TO CREATE BETTER AND ADVANCED AMBON CITY IN VARIOUS SECTORS.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

IN 437<sup>TH</sup> AGE, AMBON CITY IS MADE-UP. SO MANY HAVE BEEN DONE AND PEOPLE ARE BENEFITED HOWEVER THERE ARE STILL MANY TO BE MANAGED, OPTIMISED AND ACCELERATED. THEREFORE, WITH THIS ANNIVERSARY, I



WOULD LIKE TO CALL ALL OF US AND ALL CITIZENS OF AMBON CITY FOR:

1. KEEP WORKING TO CREATE SECURE, COMFORTABLE AND PEACEFUL LIFE. THIS CITY IS OUR HOME, A HOME TO GIVE US LIFE. ALL KINDS OF PROBLEM MUST BE TACKLE IN FRIENDSHIP AND PEACEFUL MANNER. *PELA-GANDONG* CHARACTER MUST BE OUR IDEOLOGY BECAUSE BASICALLY WE ALL ARE BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

2. LET US CREATE COMFORTABLE, SECURE, PRODUCTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT AND CITY THROUGH SATIAL UTILISATION WHICH ACCORDINGLY WITH SPATIAL MANAGEMENT PLAN 2011-2031 BASED ON CITY REGULATION NUMBER 24 YEAR 2012. QUALIFIED SPATIAL MANAGEMENT WILL BE REALISED ONLY WITH PARTICIPATION AND HARD WORK OF ALL OF US, CITY GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY IN MONITORING AND CONTROLLING.

3. LET EACH OF US WORKING HARD TRHOUGH OUR OWN ROLE TO DEVELOP AMBON CITY. *ARIKA BENAHI AMBON*. DO OUR BEST FOR THIS CITY, FOR GOOD GOVERNANCE



AND PUBLIC SERVICE IN EDUCATION, HEALTH, HOUSEHOLD ECONOMIC IMPROVEMENT AND ANY OTHER SECTORS, FOR THE PROSPERITY OF OUR CITY.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,  
WITH THE PASSION OF *ARIKA MEMBANGUN DAN BENAHI AMBON*, ALL THE ACHIEVEMENTS CANNOT BE GAINED WITHOUT SUPPORT OF CENTRAL AND PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT, CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF CITY PARLIAMENT, ENTIRE COMPONENTS OF AMBON MUNICIPALITY AND ALL PARTIES WITH ALL THE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE SAKE OF DEVELOPMENT OF THIS CITY. FOR ALL THE CONTRIBUTIONS, WE ARE SO GRATEFUL AND THANK ALL OF YOU. HOPEFULLY OUR DEDICATION WILL BE BETTER AND BLESSED BY THE ALMIGHTY.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY KOTA AMBON,  
LET US "*ARIKA MEMBANGUN DAN BENAHI AMBON*" FOR BETTER AMBON.



THANK YOU.

WASSALAMALAIKUM WR WB  
SYALOOM

MAYOR OF AMBON

RICHARD LOUHENAPESSY, SH

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**JADWAL KEGIATAN IBU WALIKOTA DARWIN  
DI AMBON TANGGAL 5 SEPT - 8 SEPT 2012**

TANGGAL 05 SEPTEMBER 2012					
NO	WAKTU	ACARA	LOKASI	PENANGGUNG JAWAB	KETERANGAN
1	07.30	Mrs.Katrina Fong Lim Walikota Darwin dan Mr.John Banks Tiba di Bandara Pattimura dengan Pesawat Garuda	Bandara Pattimura Laha	Dinas Perhubungan	
2	08.00-08.30	Breakfast di Tamariska Lounge	Tamariska Lounge	Bagian Umum, Dinas Pendidikan	Penyambutan Tarian/Totobang SMA Neg 4
3	09.00	Menuju Swissbel Hotel	Kel. Uritetu	Dinas Perhubungan	Mobil
4	09.45 - 10.00	Chek In Di Swissbel Hotel	Hotel Swissbell	Bagian Umum, Bagian Humas	
5	10.00 - 12.00	ISTIRAHAT	Hotel Swissbell	--	Ibu Helen
6	13.00 - 14.00	Makan Siang		--	Ibu Helen
7	15.00 - 17.00	Kunjungan Ke Kuburan Australia, Kunjungan Ke museum Siwalima, Kunjungan ke Tugu Dolan	Kapaha, Taman Makmur, Kudamati	Bagian Umum, Dinas Perhubungan, Pariwisata	Krans bunga, Mobil, Pendampingan
8	17.00 - 17.15	Kembali Ke hotel		Dinas Perhubungan	Mobil
9	19.00 - 21.00	Makan Malam	Kediaman Wakil Gubernur Karpan	Protokol Promal	Jamuan Oleh Wakil Gubernur Maluku
10	21.00 - 21.15	Kembali Ke hotel		Dinas Perhubungan	Mobil

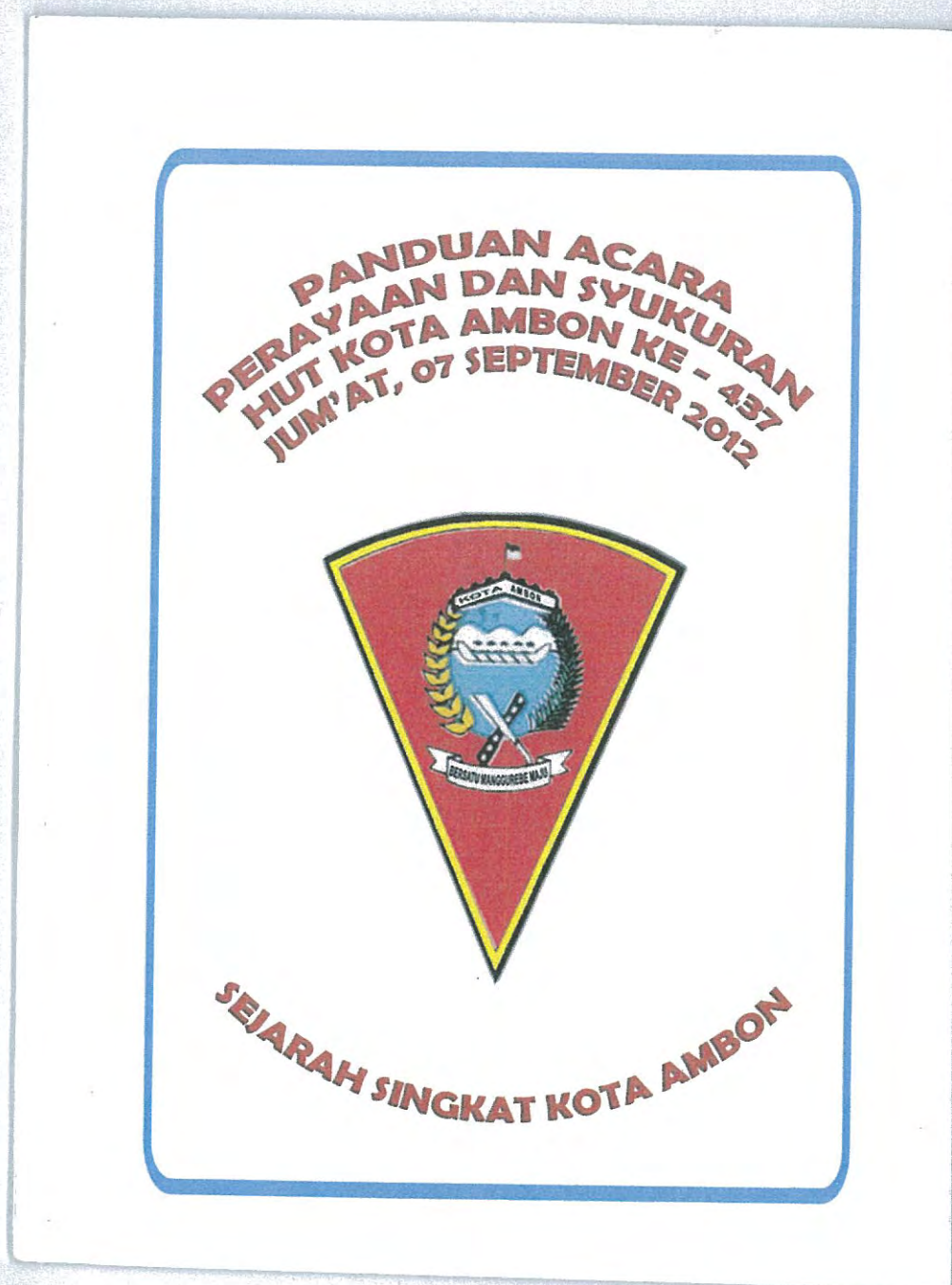
TANGGAL 06 SEPTEMBER 2012					
NO	WAKTU	ACARA	LOKASI	PENANGGUNG JAWAB	KETERANGAN
1	09.00 - 09.45	Persiapan Menuju Kantor DPRD		Dinas Perhubungan	Mobil
2	10.00 - 11.30	Mengikuti Pidato Walikota Ambon Di Kantor DPRD	Kantor DPRD	SEKWAN	Prakata Dari walikota Darwin
3	11.30 - 12.00	Ramah Tamah Dengan Ketua DPRD Dan Anggota DPRD Kota Ambon	Kantor DPRD	SEKWAN	
4	12.00 - 13.45	Makan Siang	Lantai 2 Balai Kota	Bagian Umum	Standing Party
5	13.45 - 14.45	Meeting Dengan Gubernur	Kantor Gubernur	Protokol Promal	
6	14.00 - 16.00	Berkunjung Ke SMA Neg 5 Ambon	SMA Neg 5 Ambon	Dinas Pendidikan	Siswa-Siswi & Alumni Australia
7	16.00 - 17.00	Pertemuan Dengan Dinas Pertanian	Hotel Swissbel	Dinas Pertanian, Bagian Umum	Ruang Rapat/Meeting
8	17.00 - 18.00	Dialog Khusus	Hotel Swissbel	Bagian Humas, TVRI	Ruang Rapat/Meeting
9	19.00 - 21.00	Makan Malam	Tirta Kencana	Bagian Umum, Camat Nusaniwe	Jamuan Oleh Wakil Walikota Ambon
10	21.00 - 21.15	Kembali Ke hotel		Dinas Perhubungan	Mobil

TANGGAL 07 SEPTEMBER 2012					
NO	WAKTU	ACARA	LOKASI	PENANGGUNG JAWAB	KETERANGAN
1	08.00 - 11.00	Prosesi Acara Perayaan HUT Kota Ambon	Lap Merdeka	Panitia HUT	
2	11.00 - 13.30	Makan Patita	Depan Balai Kota	Panitia HUT	
3	14.00 - 17.00	Ambon Island Tour		Dinas Pariwisata, ibu Helen Delima	
4	19.00 -	Resepsi di kediaman Bapak Walikota Ambon	Kediaman Walikota	Bagian Umum, Bagian Humas	Gala Dinner

TANGGAL 08 SEPTEMBER 2012					
NO	WAKTU	ACARA	LOKASI	PENANGGUNG JAWAB	KETERANGAN
1	06.00	Chek out Dari Hotel Menuju Airport, Mrs. Katrina Fong Lim Dan Mr. Jhon Banks Berangkat Dengan Pesawat Garuda	Bandara Pattimura	Dinas Perhubungan, Pariwisata, Bagian Humas	Mobil, Pendampingan

Interpreter : Ibu Popi  
 : Guru SMA Neg 4 Ambon





ANITA PELAKSANA PERINGATAN  
HUT KOTA AMBON KE-437

TATA UPACARA DALAM RANGKA  
HUT KOTA AMBON KE-437 TAHUN 2012

NO	WAKTU	ACARA	KEGIATAN	KETERANGAN
1	2	3	4	5
1.	08.00-08.45	ACARA PERSIAPAN	Persiapan Peserta Upacara	Peserta Upacara menempati tempat – tempat yang di tentukan
2.	08.45-08.50		Kapitan Upacara Memasuki Lapangan Upacara	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kapitan Upacara menempati titik tengah Lapangan Upacara</li> <li>Kapitan Upacara mengatur dan menyiapkan Peserta Upacara/mengadakan latihan-latihan seperlunya</li> </ul>
3.	08.50-09.05		Upulatu Kota Ambon dan Rombongan, berangkat dari Balai Kota menuju Lapangan Upacara	Rombongan Upulatu dijemput dan diantar dengan Tarien Cakalele Negeri Hutumuri, menuju Lapangan Upacara
4.	09.05-09.15		Upulatu dan Rombongan tiba di depan pintu Utama lapangan Upacara	Didapan pintu Utama Lapangan Upacara, Upulatu dan Rombongan disambut dengan Tarien Sawat dari Batu Merah
5.	09.15-09.17		Laporan Perwira Upacara	Tarien Sawat selesai, Perwira Upacara melaporkan kesiapan Upacara kepada Upulatu Kota



5.	09.17-09.22	Rombongan Upulatu tiba dipangung Utama/Tenda VIP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Terdengar Narasi Pembawa Acara/Tabaos Marinyo, memberitahukan kehadiran Upulatu dan Rombongan</li> <li>▪ Upulatu mengambil Tempat di mimbar I</li> </ul>
7.	09.22-09.25	Kolaborasi Musik Etnis	Terdengar Kolaborasi musik etnis selama tiga menit, yang menimbulkan suasana ritmis penuh aura kebesaran dan kemegahan
8.	09.25-09.40	Lambang Kota Ambon memasuki Lapangan Upacara	Lambang Kota Ambon yang dikawal Pasukan Cakalele Naku dan Paskibraka dalam bilitan Kain Gandong yang dipegang oleh Uma Belas (15) pasang remaja Kota Ambon dengan Pakain daerah dari berbagai suku,etnis dan agama,memasuki lapangan Upacara
		Narasi Pembawa Acara/Tabaos Marinyo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Upulatu Kota menuju Mimbar II</li> <li>▪ Kapitan Upacara menyiapkan Pasukan</li> <li>▪ Tamu Undangan di mohon berdiri</li> </ul>
		Narasi Pembawa Acara/Tabaos Marinyo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Upulatu Kota menerima dan meletakkan Lambang Kota Ambon pada tempat yang telah disediakan</li> <li>▪ Pembawa lambang Kota Ambon meninggalkan Podium Kehormatan</li> </ul>
		Narasi Pembawa Acara/Tabaos Marinyo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Upulatu Kota Ambon kembali ke mimbar I</li> <li>▪ Hadirin di silahkan duduk</li> <li>▪ Kapitan Upacara memberikan Aba-aba</li> </ul>
		Pesukan di Istirahatkan	"Istirahat" kepada Pasukan

9.	09.40-09.45		Lagu Tema HUT Kota Ambon	Spontanitas Lagu Tema HUT Kota Ambon ke-437
10.	09.45-09.50		Narasi Pembawa Acara/Tabaos Marinyo	Upulatu Kota Ambon, mengambil tempat di Mimbar II
			Pasukan Disiapkan	Kapitan Upacara menyiapkan Pasukan
			Penghormatan Pasukan	Kepada Upulatu Upacara, "Horomate Grak" ..... "Tegap Grak"
			Laporan Kapitan Upacara	Kapitan Upacara memberikan Laporan dan ulainya Upacara Peringatan Hari Ulang Tahun Kota Ambon, ke-437 Tahun 2012
11.	09.50-09.55		Narasi Pembawa Acara/Tabaos Marinyo, untuk Pererungan dan Penguatan tekad	Ajkan Upulatu Kota Ambon kepada hadirin untuk mererung dan menguatkan tegad
12.	09.55-10.02		Lagu Hymne Kota Ambon	Spontanitas Hymne Kota Ambon
13.	10.02-10.20		Narasi Pembawa Acara/Tabaos Marinyo, Untuk persiapan penyerahan Secara Simbolis E – KTP Dan pengukuhan kewang	Penyerahan Secara Simbolis E-KTP Kepada Gubernur Dan Ibu Ralaku Beserta Perwakilan Masyarakat Diangkatkan Dengan Pengukuhan kewang Kota Ambon oleh Upulatu Upacara
14.	10.20-10.25		Spontanitas Lagu	Spontanitas Lagu

15.	10.25-10.40		Narasi Pembawa Acara/Tabaos Marinyo	
			Doa Untuk Ambon	Pembacaan Doa, oleh Pemimpin Agama Kristen Katolik dan Islam
			Spontanitas Lagu	Spontanitas Lagu Damai Tuhan (BIMBO)
16.	10.40-10.55		Lambang Kota Ambon meninggalkan Tempat Upacara	Lambang Kota Ambon diserahkan oleh Upulatu Kota Ambon kepada Pembawa Lambang
				Lambang Kota Ambon meninggalkan tempat Upacara
17.	10.35-10.45		Narasi Pembawa Acara/Tabaos Marinyo	
			Laporan Kapitan Upacara	Kapitan Upacara memberikan Laporan kepada Upulatu Kota Ambon " Upacara Selesai "
18.	10.45-10.48		Narasi Pembawa Acara/Tabaos Marinyo	
				Upulatu Kota Ambon , mengambil tempat di mimbar I
				Aba-Aba Kapitan Upacara " Pasukan di bawakan dan mengambil tempat disamping kiri kanan Lapangan

9.	10.58-11.30		AUBADE	Aubade ( Nyanyian Pujian di pagi Hari Dan Tari Masal
D.	11.30-11.35		Narasi Pembawa Acara/Tabas Marinyo	Pembawa acara menyampaikan bahwa Upacara selesai. dan mengundang Upulatu beserta rombongan dan undangan untuk makan Patita bersama di Jin.AY Patti..
				Rombongan Upulatu menuju tempat makan Patita

Ambon, 07 September 2012

Seksi Acara Upacara





## **MALUKU GOVERNOR**

### **FOREWORD**

**RECEPTION OF AMBON CITY 437<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**7<sup>TH</sup> OF SEPTEMBER 2012**



## GUBERNUR MALUKU

*Assalamu'alaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh,  
Greetings*

***The honorable:***

- Vice governor and Mrs. Rety Asssagaf ;
- Members of Maluku Province Forum of Leader
- Ambon Mayor, and Mrs. Debby Louhenapessy .
- Deputy mayor and Mrs. Ade Latuconsina
- The Honorable Lord Mayor of Darwin, Ms. Katrina Fong Lim ;
- Members of Ambon City House of Representatives;
- Former mayors and Deputy Mayors
- Directors of ambon city offices
- Heads of subdistricts offices
- Latupati, heads of villages, heads of local neighbourhood in Ambon ;
- All Ambon city stakeholders;
- Ambon citizens
- Friends from media

Tonight we celebrate Ambon City 437<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. This is a valuable opportunity to strengthen the resolution of Tidy Up Ambon City Program of new Ambon City Administration, which today is its 1 year and 34 days old. Today we witness solid evidence of Mayor and deputy mayor of Ambon's political pledge to reorganize Ambon City.

I believe this anniversary is celebrated in good spirit of accelerating agendas of Tidy up Ambon City, so we can regain the sweet Ambon motto.

Inline with that, I invite us all to praise the Lord for His guidance and blessings; we can gather here and celebrate the reception of Ambon City 437<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Mr. Mayor, ladies and Gentlemen,

For me, this very anniversary has its own strategic values, if Ambon city is mapped in a well thought out blueprint.

It is time for Ambon City to be managed in a better measurement and management of modern city can be applied to while the value of local wisdom can still be the spirit of the management, so that the true character of Ambon and the image of this island plays as the magnet to the world. I believe that this is not daydreaming.

As Ambon citizen, we have seen clean Ambon in daylight and bright city at nightfall. We can experience it anywhere in the city. Thanks to yellow troops for their job in keeping Ambon clean, but also a so called JUMPA BERLIAN program which is held frequently. The charm of Ambon city at night cannot be compared



with Hongkong. Of course it is not the same, because we are talking about Ambon, and this city is almost our favorite city.

Ambon today is a city that is known to the world, and Ambon have sister city with Darwin. This is the basic reason why Darwin Ambon yacht race is our annual event. Moreover this year is very special with Ms. Katrina Fong Lim as the Darwin Mayor is present in Ambon, we hope you enjoy our natural beauty, and it is an honor to have you here today.

At the same time, the efforts of managing parking lots, establishment of city routes, in the public service sector, the government offices will raise its standards to serve the people, and also to enhance the number of citizen participation in city agendas. All of the

above for me shows that Ambon is quite tidy nowadays. The Adipura certificate is a token of it.

Ladies and gentlemen,

The theme of this year's anniversary is Tidy Up Ambon. The theme is our fighting spirit to make Ambon as modern civilization icon in Maluku Province.

As I once read a book by Mr. de Fretes titled Truth beyond Friendship, it quotes Mr. Latuharhary (first governor of Maluku) vision of Ambon:

If Indonesia shall gain its freedom, Maluku will be a part of it; later on we should establish two towers of fire in Ambon Bay. One located in Allang Cape and the other one in Nusaniwe. Vessels from Europe, Australia and America will anchor in the bay. We need to build two big sea ports. One located in front of Ambon market, and the other one

located in Gudang Arang. Both will be a national project. We should built center of sea fleet for eastern part of Indonesia. Activities of nutmeg and clove trading should be reviving in North Maluku and Uliase Islets. But in Ceram Island, we should build rice farming, sago estate, sugar cane estate; its factory will be established at North and South. In our more than 1000 islands, the people should plant, plant anything.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

We know that some of his vision are already been executed, especially of its grand design of national and regional development. Maluku and Papua Province are in sixth economy corridor of MP3EI 2011-2025. We need to make our province as the main economy entrance of sixth corridor.

This is the reason why Ambon should be the trading city in eastern territory and Asia

Pacific. This is a strategic action, so to make possible, world class commercial port should be established. We are in a golden triangle trading zone, so we should make the best of it.

Ladies and gentlemen,  
 Ambon is the center of education. Its teacher capacity building, standard of education program, and student capacity need to be followed up with education paradigm. We have to synchronize the culture of study and its infrastructure.

We should make Ambon as the destination of education for Eastern Indonesia moreover in Asia Pacific. The education institute here needs to measure the global effect of our geographical condition. We need to specify the major of study so that we can be the motor of change for Maluku.



The third reason is the necessity to manage the population here. The low percentage of the territory compare to the numbers of growing population should be overcome by issuing the state regulation to it.

We need to be firm and bold in executing the regulations of housing location; green areas, riverside areas and water absorbed areas cannot be altered into housing area.

Ladies and gentlemen,

Landslide and flood we suffer at 1<sup>st</sup> of august 2012 signed that something's wrong with our city management, I hope the Tidy Up Ambon program can be accomplished integrally and more comprehensive

Geology mapping should be our starting point in infrastructure building management. I need you to socialize this map to our citizen. Plan of development should consider the geological standards.

Inline with that, green areas, unstable land should have special attention and treatment. It requires cultural recovery and also altering traditional mindsets of our citizen and also the public servants as well. This goes especially to the person who's firsthand dealt with environment issues. With this map of geology we can picture which model of water front city is proper.

Ladies and gentlemen,

We also need to reconstruct our civil servant mindset and working ethics. I believe in this anniversary, there are numerous agenda to be executed. On behalf of Maluku citizen we still long for Ambon and its people to gain its prosperity, comfort, beautiful, healthy, and wealth.

I also requested that we all can make this city as the model of democracy for Mollucan people. We should make our near political

agenda in 2013 and 2014 a success story. Especially for the governor election in 2013, we should allow our people to build a good democratic atmosphere, because Ambon is the barometer of Maluku democratic index.

No need to question our people's affiliation. I believe this vale has been tested before, and it will be tested in the future. Our celebration of making 24<sup>th</sup> National Quran Reading Festival a big success relies upon all of us.

Following this success, I ask us all also to prepare ourselves in the best shape to welcome National Student Christian Choir Festival in October 2012 at Pattimura University. This is only a warming up exercise for us to be the host for National Christian Choir Festival in 2015.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Lets unite and gain prosperity by building Ambon Manise. We must stand up to make our Ambon a lovable city. Long live Ambon! May God bless us all. Thank you

MALUKU GOVERNOR

KAREL ALBERT RALAHALU



# Celebration of the 437<sup>th</sup> Ambon City Anniversary

Ambon, Indonesia  
5 - 8 September 2012





Deputy Mayor Ir.M.A.S Latuconsina ST.MT, Darwin Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim, Deputy Governor Ir. Said Assagaf and Mrs Assagaf



Darwin Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim with Mr Peter Ohno the Chief of Tourism Department, the Chief of the House of Representative of Ambon City Mr Rein Toumahu.SH, the Deputy of the House of Representative Mr Jantce Wenno.SH and Mr Peter Styles MLA



Mr John Banks, Darwin Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim, The Mayor of Ambon City Richard Louhenapessy.SH, and his wife Mrs Debby Louhenapessy



Darwin Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim addressing Ambon Parliament





SMA Negeri 5 School Principal Dra Elisabeth Koloba and the Chief of the Education Department Drs B. Kainama



Meeting with the Chief of the Agriculture Department Mr John Ari Tupan





Darwin Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim Laying a Wreath at the War Memorial



Mr John Banks at the War Memorial



Darwin Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim with Mr Syamsudin who has looked after the Australian Graves for 18 years



Bishop of Ambon City Mgr P.C. Mandagi MSC and Darwin Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim





SMA Negeri 5 School Exchange Teachers and Students



Darwin Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim with SMA Negeri 5 School Exchange Teachers



Darwin Lord Mayor Katrina Fong Lim with Dancers at  
SMA Negeri 5 School





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