



# **MINUTES**

**Ordinary Council Meeting  
Tuesday, 14 April 2020**

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**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN  
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY CHAN AVENUE,  
DARWIN  
ON TUESDAY, 14 APRIL 2020 AT 5:30PM**

- PRESENT:** Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis, Alderman Paul Arnold, Alderman Andrew Arthur, Alderman Jimmy Bouhoris, Alderman Justine Glover, Alderman Gary Haslett, Alderman Robin Knox, Alderman George Lambrinidis, Alderman Simon Niblock, Alderman Mick Palmer, Alderman Peter Pangquee, Alderman Rebecca Want de Rowe
- OFFICERS:** Scott Waters (Chief Executive Officer), Joshua Sattler (General Manager Innovation Growth & Development Services), Polly Banks (General Manager Community & Regulatory Services), Melissa Reiter (General Manager Government Relations & External Affairs), Ron Grinsell (General Manager Engineering & City Services)
- APOLOGY:** Alderman Emma Young

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# **1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

## **2 THE LORD'S PRAYER**

## **3 MEETING DECLARED OPEN**

### **3.1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN**

#### **RESOLUTION ORD172/20**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Alderman Justine Glover

That the Chair declared the meeting open at 5:31 pm.

**CARRIED 12/0**

## **4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

### **4.1 Apologies**

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#### **RESOLUTION ORD173/20**

Moved: Alderman Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Alderman Peter Pangquee

THAT an apology be received for Alderman Emma Young

**CARRIED 12/0**

### **4.2 Leave of Absence Granted**

Nil

### **4.3 Leave of Absence Requested**

Nil

## **5 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE**

### **5.1 Electronic Meeting Attendance Granted**

In accordance with Policy 043 and section 61(4) of the Local Government Act 2008, Elected Members are granted permission to attend by means of an audio or audio-visual conferencing system.

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

### **6.1 Declaration of Interest by Members**

Nil

## **6.2 Declaration of Interest by Staff**

Nil

## **7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### **RESOLUTION ORD174/20**

Moved: Alderman Gary Haslett

Seconded: Alderman George Lambrinidis

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 31 March 2020 and the Special Ordinary Council Meeting held on 8 April 2020 be confirmed.

**CARRIED 12/0**

## **8 MOVING OF CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

Nil

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

Nil

## **10 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Nil

## **11 PETITIONS**

Nil

## **12 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS**

Nil

## **13 NOTICES OF MOTION**

Nil

## **14 OFFICERS REPORTS**

### **14.1 GARDENS PARK LAKE REHABILITATION WORKS**

### **SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the options to manage silting and amenity within the Gardens Park Golf Links Lake.

### **RESOLUTION ORD175/20**

Moved: Alderman Gary Haslett

Seconded: Alderman Paul Arnold

1. THAT the report entitled Gardens Park Lake Rehabilitation Works be received and noted.
2. THAT the 'desilting' rehabilitation works option to Gardens Park Lake be identified as a project within Council's Long-Term Financial Plan.
3. THAT the previously allocated funding of \$500K is held in the Asset Refurbishment Reserve until such time as additional funding can be identified through Council's Long-Term Financial Plan to complete the works.

**CARRIED 12/0**

## **14.2 DRAFT NORTHERN TERRITORY PLANNING SCHEME 2020**

### **SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to inform Council of the Northern Territory Planning Commission's proposal to amend the Northern Territory Planning Scheme and provide the draft Planning Amendment Regulations 2020 (PA2020/0031). City of Darwin's submission, at **Attachment 1** is provided for Council's endorsement.

### **RESOLUTION ORD176/20**

Moved: Alderman Jimmy Bouhoris

Seconded: Alderman Peter Pangquee

1. THAT the report titled Draft Northern Territory Planning Scheme 2020 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse the submission to the Northern Territory Planning Commission, dated 24 April 2020, within **Attachment 1** to the Report entitled: Draft Northern Territory Planning Scheme 2020.

**CARRIED 12/0**

## **14.3 MINUTES ACCESS AND INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING 3 MARCH 2020**

### **SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to present the minutes of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee (AIAC) meeting held on 3 March 2020.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. THAT the report entitled Minutes Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting 3 March 2020 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council note the recommendations of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee and note that these need further investigation before being referred back to Council for consideration in a separate report.

### **RESOLUTION ORD177/20**

#### **Amendment:**

Moved: Alderman Robin Knox

Seconded: Alderman Andrew Arthur

2. THAT Council note the recommendations of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee and note that these need further investigation before being referred back to Council for consideration in a separate report at the 1<sup>st</sup> Ordinary Meeting in May 2020

**CARRIED 7/6**

The Lord Mayor used his casting vote

#### **RESOLUTION ORD178/20**

Moved: Alderman Andrew Arthur

Seconded: Alderman Justine Glover

1. THAT the report entitled Minutes Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting 3 March 2020 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council note the recommendations of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee and note that these need further investigation before being referred back to Council for consideration in a separate report at the 1<sup>st</sup> Ordinary Meeting in May 2020

**Carried 12/0**

## **15 RECEIVE & NOTE REPORTS**

### **15.1 MINUTES ARTS AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE 11 FEBRUARY 2020**

#### **SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to present the minutes of the Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee (ACDAC) meeting, 11 February 2020.

#### **RESOLUTION ORD179/20**

Moved: Alderman Justine Glover

Seconded: Alderman Jimmy Bouhoris

1. THAT the report entitled Minutes Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee, 11 February 2020, be received and noted.

**CARRIED 12/0**

### **15.2 UPDATE ON DARWIN CENOTAPH UPGRADES - STAGE 1**

#### **SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on progress of the Darwin Cenotaph upgrade works (Stage 1).

#### **RESOLUTION ORD180/20**

Moved: Alderman Mick Palmer

Seconded: Alderman Jimmy Bouhoris

1. THAT the report entitled Approval of Darwin Cenotaph Upgrades – Stage 1, be received and noted.

**CARRIED 12/0****16 REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Nil

**17 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS**

Nil

**18 GENERAL BUSINESS****18.1 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED****RESOLUTION ORD181/20**

Moved: Lord Mayor Kon Vatskalis

Seconded: Alderman Gary Haslett

1. THAT the letter from the Chief Minister, Northern Territory Government regarding Business Hardship Package be received and noted.
2. THAT the letter from the Council of Capital City Lord Mayors to the Prime Minister regarding Coronavirus (COVID-19) be received and noted.

**CARRIED 12/0****18.2 GENERAL BUSINESS****MOTION**

Moved: Alderman Robin Knox

Seconded: Alderman Simon Niblock

1. That Council prepare a report into weed control methods.

**LOST 7/5****19 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING****RESOLUTION ORD182/20**

Moved: Alderman Gary Haslett

Seconded: Alderman George Lambrinidis

1. THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 28 April 2020, at 5:30 pm (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Council Chambers, Level 1, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

**CARRIED 12/0**



## 19 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

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

### RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act:

#### 26.1 Proposed Darwin CBD Bus Re-Routing

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 65(2) - 8(e) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential.

#### 26.2 Review of Confidential Decisions - June to December 2019

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 65(2) - 8(c)(iv) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of council or some other person.

#### 26.3 Review of Council's Hardship Arrangements

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 65(2) - 8(c)(iv) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of council or some other person.

## 20 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON

### RESOLUTION ORD183/20

Moved: Alderman Peter Pangquee

Seconded: Alderman Gary Haslett

The Open Meeting adjourned at 6:35.

**CARRIED 12/0**

## 30 RESUMPTION OF OPEN MEETING

### RESOLUTION ORD198/20

Moved: Alderman George Lambrinidis

Seconded: Alderman Gary Haslett

THAT the Open Meeting resumed at 9:32pm.

**CARRIED 12/0**

### 31 CLOSURE OF MEETING

**RESOLUTION ORD199/20**

Moved: Alderman George Lambrinidis

Seconded: Alderman Gary Haslett

THAT the meeting closed at 9:32pm.

**CARRIED 12/0**

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28 April 2020.

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**CHAIR**