

# **COUNCIL MINUTES**

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## CITY OF PALMERSTON

Minutes of Council Meeting held in Council Chambers Civic Plaza, Palmerston on Tuesday 7 March 2017 at 6.30pm.

Mayor	lan	Abbott
		Chair

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#### Acknowledgement of Traditional Ownership

I respectfully acknowledge the past and present Traditional Custodians of this land on which we are meeting, the Larrakia people. It is a privilege to be standing on Larrakia country.

#### 1 PRESENT

Elected Members: His Worship the Mayor Ian Abbott (Chair)

Deputy Mayor Seranna Shutt Alderman Athina Pascoe-Bell Alderman Andrew Byrne Alderman Paul Bunker Alderman Sue McKinnon

Staff: Ricki Bruhn, Chief Executive Officer

Ben Dornier, Director of Corporate and Community Services

Mark Spangler, Director of Technical Services

Maxie Smith, Acting Finance Manager

Jan Peters, Community Development Manager

Gerard Rosse, Manager Planning and Environment Services

Alyce Breed, Minute Secretary

Gallery: Jean Wilson, Top End Rumble

Simon Watt, Area9 Lauren Roberts, NT News

#### 2 APOLOGIES

Nil.

## 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved: Alderman Pascoe-Bell Seconded: Deputy Mayor Shutt

- 1. THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting held Tuesday, 21 February 2017 pages 8933 to 9020, be confirmed.
- 2. THAT the Confidential minutes of the Council Meeting held Tuesday, 21 February 2017 pages 283 to 287, be confirmed.

CARRIED 8/2496 - 07/03/2017

#### 4 MAYOR'S REPORT

M8-36

Moved: Alderman Pascoe-Bell Seconded: Alderman McKinnon

THAT Council receives Report Number M8-36.

CARRIED 8/2497 - 07/03/2017

## 5 REPORT OF DELEGATES

Nil.

6 QUESTIONS (WITHOUT DEBATE) FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil.

7 QUESTIONS (WITHOUT DEBATE) FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN

Nil.

8 PETITIONS

Nil.

## 9 DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

9.1 Top End Rumble – Sponsorship for National Hot Rod Run Presentation by Jean Wilson from Top End Rumble.

## 10 CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil.

## 11 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

#### 11.1 Governance and Organisation

Nil.

#### 11.2 Economic Development and Infrastructure

Nil.

#### 11.3 Community Culture and Environment

Moved: Alderman Pascoe-Bell Seconded: Deputy Mayor Shutt

THAT the minutes from the Community, Culture and Environment Committee meeting held on 1 March 2017, be received and noted and that Council adopts the recommendations made by the Committee and accordingly resolves as follows:-

## 11.3.1 Draft Companion Animal Management Plan (CAMP)

CCE/0391

THAT the Draft Companion Animal Management Plan is endorsed for the purpose of Public Consultation.

CARRIED 8/2498 - 07/03/2017

## 12 INFORMATION AGENDA

## 12.1 Items for Exclusion

Nil.

## 12.2 Receipt of Information Reports

Moved: Alderman Pascoe-Bell Seconded: Alderman McKinnon

THAT the information items contained within the Information Agenda, be received.

CARRIED 8/2499 - 07/03/2017

## 13.1 Officer Reports

13.1.1 Northern Territory Young Achiever Awards 2017 Gala Presentation Dinner 8/1107

Moved: Alderman McKinnon Seconded: Alderman Pascoe-Bell

- 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1107.
- 2. THAT Deputy Mayor Shutt attend the Northern Territory Young Achiever Awards Presentation Dinner on Saturday, 1 April 2017 and that Council purchase one ticket at a cost of \$120 inc GST.

CARRIED 8/2500 - 07/03/2017

13.1.2 Development Application PA2017/0041 Subdivision to create 92 Lots in 2 Stages (Zuccoli Stage 5C) and Lot 12448 Radford Road, Zuccoli 8/1113

Moved: Alderman Bunker Seconded: Alderman McKinnon

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1113.

CARRIED 8/2501 - 07/03/2017

Moved: Alderman McKinnon Seconded: Alderman Bunker

2. THAT Council endorses the revised letter of response in Attachment B to Report Number 8/1113.

CARRIED 8/2502 - 07/03/2017

13.1.3 Capital Works – Catalina Radial Engine 2016/17

8/1115

Moved: Alderman Bunker Seconded: Deputy Mayor Shutt

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1115.

CARRIED 8/2503 - 07/03/2017

Moved: Alderman Bunker Seconded: Deputy Mayor Shutt

 THAT Council does not approve installation of the Catalina Radial Engine donated by the Aviation Historical Society of the NT at the location purposed in Attachment A to Report Number 8/1115.

#### 13.1.4 Closure of Durack Drive

8/1110

Moved: Alderman Byrne Seconded: Alderman Bunker

- 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1110.
- 2. THAT Council approve the permanent closure of Durack Drive, Archer.
- 3. THAT Council approve the road closure be undertaken as required under the Local Government Act and the Local Government (Administration) Regulations, including seeking the consent of the Minister responsible for the administration of the Local Government Act.

CARRIED 8/2505 - 07/03/2017

#### 13.1.5 Goyder Heritage Study

8/1111

Moved: Alderman Byrne
Seconded: Alderman McKinnon

- 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1111.
- 2. THAT Council endorses Attachment A to Report Number 8/1111.
- 3. THAT a proposed draft "Goyder Historical Trail" document be prepared based on interpretive opportunities of existing streets and suburbs and the 'Elrundie camp', to be presented to Council for consideration.

CARRIED 8/2506 - 07/03/2017

## 14 CORRESPONDENCE

## 14.1 The Palmerston and Rural Seniors Committee Response

Moved: Alderman Bunker Seconded: Deputy Mayor Shutt

THAT Council receives the correspondence from the Palmerston and Rural Seniors Committee, in response to Question (Without Debate) For Which Notice Has Been Given from the Council Meeting held on 21 February 2017.

CARRIED 8/2507 - 07/03/2017

#### DIVISION

Alderman Byrne called a division - as a consequence the result of the above motion was set aside.

Upon dividing, 5 members voted in the affirmative, 1 member voted in the negative.

Members Voting in the Affirmative Mayor Abbott Deputy Mayor Shutt Alderman Byrne Alderman Bunker Alderman McKinnon

Members Voting in the Negative Alderman Pascoe-Bell

The Chair declared the motion CARRIED

The Chief Executive Officer proceeded to read out an item of correspondence received from the Palmerston Tuesday 50+ Club regarding comments referencing their club and made at the previous meeting of Council. A copy of this correspondence will appear in the next Council Agenda.

## 15 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil.

## 16 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil.

#### 17 OTHER BUSINESS

#### 17.1 Alderman Bunker

Alderman Bunker advised he met with concerned seniors regarding the specific references made at the Council meeting held on 21 February 2017.

## 17.2 Deputy Mayor Shutt

Deputy Mayor Shutt requested an update about contact made to the Nepalese Association of Northern Territory Inc. in regards to their recent grant application. The Director of Corporate and Community Services provided an update.

#### 17.3 Alderman Pascoe-Bell

Alderman Pascoe-Bell advised that Seniors had made personal approaches to Members of the Legislative Assembly over funding for a Seniors Centre. The current position is that neither Council or the NT Government have dedicated funding for this proposal.

#### SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Moved: Alderman Byrne Seconded: Deputy Mayor Shutt

THAT Standing Orders be suspended to allow for open discussion.

CARRIED 8/2508 - 07/03/2017

Standing Orders were suspended at 8:09pm.

#### REINSTATEMENT OF STANDING ORDERS

Moved: Alderman McKinnon Seconded: Deputy Mayor Shutt

THAT Standing Orders be reinstated.

CARRIED 8/2509 - 07/03/2017

Standing Orders were reinstated at 8:18pm.

#### 8 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Moved: Alderman McKinnon Seconded: Deputy Mayor Shutt

- 18.1 Power to Sell Land (Statutory Charge) 100013, 101493, 101686, 106523, 106940 & 110469 8/1106
- 1. THAT pursuant to Section 65 of the Local Government Act, Council orders that the public be excluded from the meeting with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, Director of Corporate and Community Services, Director of Technical Services and Minute Secretary on the basis that Council considers it necessary and appropriate to act in a manner closed to the public in order to receive, discuss and consider the report and associated documents in relation to confidential agenda item 18.1 Power to Sell Land (Statutory Charge) –100013, 101493, 101686, 106523, 106940 and 110469 and that Council is satisfied that the meeting should be conducted in a place open to the public is outweighed in relation to the matter because receiving, considering and discussing the report and associated documentation involves:
- (b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer;

This item is considered confidential pursuant to Regulation 8 (b) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations.

2. THAT Council orders that the minutes from the Confidential Council meeting held on 7 March 2017, in relation to confidential item number 18.1 Power to Sell (Statutory Charge) –100013, 101493, 101686, 106523, 106940 and 110469, the report and associated documents remain confidential and not available for public inspection for a period of 12 months from the date of this meeting or a lesser period as determined by the Chief Executive Officer.

8/1117

- 1. THAT pursuant to Section 65 of the Local Government Act, Council orders that the public be excluded from the meeting with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, Director of Corporate and Community Services, Director of Technical Services and Minute Secretary on the basis that Council considers it necessary and appropriate to act in a manner closed to the public in order to receive, discuss and consider the report and associated documents in relation to confidential agenda item 18.2 Financial Hardship Application Assessment 102266 and that Council is satisfied that the meeting should be conducted in a place open to the public is outweighed in relation to the matter because receiving, considering and discussing the report and associated documentation involves:
- (b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer;

This item is considered confidential pursuant to Regulation 8 (b) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations.

2. THAT Council orders that the minutes from the Confidential Council meeting held on 7 March 2017, in relation to confidential item number 18.2 Financial Hardship Application Assessment - 102266, the report and associated documents remain confidential and not available for public inspection for a period of 12 months from the date of this meeting or a lesser period as determined by the Chief Executive Officer.

#### 18.3 HPA Incorporated Rate Concession

8/1118

- 1. THAT pursuant to Section 65 of the Local Government Act, Council orders that the public be excluded from the meeting with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, Director of Corporate and Community Services, Director of Technical Services and Minute Secretary on the basis that Council considers it necessary and appropriate to act in a manner closed to the public in order to receive, discuss and consider the report and associated documents in relation to confidential agenda item 18.3 HPA Incorporate Rate Concession and that Council is satisfied that the meeting should be conducted in a place open to the public is outweighed in relation to the matter because receiving, considering and discussing the report and associated documentation involves:
- (b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer;

This item is considered confidential pursuant to Regulation 8 (b) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations.

2. THAT Council orders that the minutes from the Confidential Council meeting held on 7 March 2017, in relation to confidential item number 18.3 HPA Incorporated Rate Concession, the report and associated documents remain confidential and not available for public inspection for a period of 12 months from the date of this meeting or a lesser period as determined by the Chief Executive Officer.

CARRIED 8/2510 - 07/03/2017

The meeting moved into the Confidential Session at 8:20pm.

#### 18.4 Moving decisions from the Confidential Session into the Open Session

- 4.1 Power to Sell Land (Statutory Charge) Assessment 100013, 101493, 101686, 106523,
   106940 & 110469
   8/1106
- 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1106.
- 2. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for **Assessment 100013**.
- 3. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for **Assessment 101493**.
- 4. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for **Assessment 101686**.
- 5. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for **Assessment 106523.**
- 6. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for **Assessment 106940**
- 7. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for **Assessment 110469**
- 8. THAT the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer be authorised to sign and seal all documentation relating to the above-mentioned properties, including discharge of statutory charges if full payment should occur.
- 9. THAT the resolutions only come back into the open session.
- 4.2 Financial Hardship Application 102266

8/1117

- 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1117.
- 2. THAT Council approves remission of interest for the period 3 February 2017 to 30 June 2017 for assessment 102266 under the conditions of the rates concession policy FIN17.
- 3. THAT the resolutions only come back to the open session.
- 4.3 HPA Incorporated Rate Concession

8/1118

- 1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/1118.
- 2. THAT the motion lay on the table pending supply of current financial statements to Elected Members.
- 3. THAT Letter of Demand Charges not be waived as these are a direct cost to Council.
- 4. THAT the resolutions only come back to the open session.

## 19 CLOSURE

Meeting closed at 8.43pm