

## CITY OF PALMERSTON

**Minutes of Council Meeting  
held in Council Chambers  
Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston  
On Tuesday 1 September 2020 at 5:30pm.**

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### ELECTED MEMBERS

Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell (Chair)  
Deputy Mayor Amber Garden  
Alderman Damian Hale  
Alderman Sarah Henderson  
Alderman Tom Lewis  
Alderman Mick Spick

### STAFF

Chief Executive Officer, Luccio Cercarelli  
Deputy Chief Executive Officer/Director Lifestyle and  
Community, Amelia Vellar  
Director City Growth and Operations, Nadine Nilon  
Director Organisational Services, Richard Iap  
Communications Officer, Samantha Abdic  
Executive Assistant to Chief Executive Officer, Tree Malyan  
Executive Assistant to Director Lifestyle and Community,  
Stoney Dethmore  
Minute Secretary, Ashlee Gaddes

### GALLERY

Sowaibah Hanifie, ABC  
Three members of the public

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## 1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

*I respectfully acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we are meeting – the Larrakia People – and pay my respects to their elders, past, present and future.*

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## 2 OPENING OF MEETING

The Chair declared the meeting open at 5:30pm.

Initials: AiG

## **3** APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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### 3.1 Apologies

Moved: Alderman Hale  
Seconded: Alderman Spick

1. THAT the apology received from Alderman Morrison for 1 September 2020 be received and noted.
2. THAT the apology received from Alderman Giesecke for 1 September 2020 be received and noted.

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### 3.2 Leave of Absence Previously Granted

Nil.

### 3.3 Leave of Absence Request

Moved: Alderman Hale  
Seconded: Alderman Henderson

THAT the leave of absence received from Alderman Morrison for 3 September to 4 September 2020 inclusive be received and noted.

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## **4** REQUEST FOR AUDIO /AUDIOVISUAL CONFERENCING

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Nil.

## **5** DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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### 5.1 Elected Members

Moved: Alderman Spick  
Seconded: Alderman Henderson

THAT the Declaration of Interest received from Alderman Spick for Item 13.2.5 Community Benefits Scheme- Reeling Veterans to be received and noted.

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5.2 Staff

Nil.

## 6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

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6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden  
Seconded: Alderman Hale

THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday 18 August 2020 pages 10175 to 10191, be confirmed.

CARRIED 9/1265 – 01/09/2020

6.2 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

Nil.

## 7 MAYORAL REPORT

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7.1 Mayoral Update Report - 1 September 2020

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Garden

THAT report entitled Mayoral Update Report- 1 September 2020 be received and noted.

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## 8 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

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Nil.

Initials: ACG



## 9 PUBLIC QUESTIONS (WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS)

### 9.1 Public Questions

Moved: Alderman Hale  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Garden

THAT the following public question from Linda Hyland of 21 Rivergrass Circuit, Zuccoli and response regarding 13.2.6 - Reduced Hours of Late-Night Lighting - Deleny Gwa, Rivergrass Circuit as tabled and read out be received and noted.

Question 1: *I am a resident of Rivergrass Circuit, who lives directly opposite the Deleny Gwa Park and who was never informed prior to purchase and submitting plans that the park would be available to the public 24 hrs. a day and that noisy areas and equipment would be located so close to my front bedroom. Could Council please inform me of which office (s) in the Council will follow up my specific concern and suggestions?*

The Chief Executive Officer provided the following response:

Response: I refer to your question to Council asking if we could please inform you of which officer in Council will follow up on your specific concerns and suggestions regarding Deleny Gwa Park. I can advise you the person to contact would be Director City Growth and Operations, Nadine Nilon on [nadine.nilon@palmerston.nt.gov.au](mailto:nadine.nilon@palmerston.nt.gov.au) or (08) 8935 9951.

Question2: *The report 'Reduced Hours of Late Night Lighting- Deleny Gwa Park, Rivergrass Circuit' (as Agenda Item 13.2.6 for 1st Ordinary Council Meeting on 1/9/2020) may not be an appropriate, accurate and considered response to the experiences and concerns of those who signed the petition, and thus can member/s (and/ or staff) of Council facilitate an opportunity for residents to make suggestions as to 'How council could make a great park even greater' or Council take other actions that will at least show empathy for residents' concerns?*

The Chief Executive Officer provided the following response:

Response: I refer to your Question for Council received on 31 August 2020 in relation to Agenda Item 13.2.6 - Reduced Hours of Late Night Lighting - Deleny Gwa Park, Rivergrass Circuit, regarding the opportunity for residents to discuss with Council suggestions in relation to the park.

The petition has been previous tabled at a Council meeting on 2 June and is being considered at the Council Meeting tonight, Tuesday 1 September 2020.

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The officers report addresses the specific request within the petition being:

*We therefore ask Palmerston City Council to:*

*"Undertake written and verbal consultation with affected residents with the view to significantly reduce the hours that Deleny-Gwa (Rivergrass) Park is lit at night".*

At the meeting, Council will consider options in relation to the reducing the hours of lighting raised by the petition.

The outcome of Councils decision will be provided to the petition organiser.

Members of the community are encouraged too and can at any time raise ideas and suggestions with the Council. In relation to any residents who have ideas or suggestions they can raise these with the City of Palmerston by email at [Palmerston@palmerston.nt.gov.au](mailto:Palmerston@palmerston.nt.gov.au) or on 89359955. The City of Palmerston will provide responses to any matters or ideas raised.

CARRIED 9/1267 – 01/09/2020

## 10 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

### 10.1 Moving Confidential Items into Open

Nil.

### 10.2 Moving Open Items into Confidential

Nil.

### 10.3 Confidential Items

Moved: Alderman Lewis

Seconded: Alderman Hale

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 following confidential items:

ITEM	REGULATION	REASON
25.2.1	8(c)(i)	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act and 8(c)(i) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations, which states municipal council may close to the public only so much of its

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		<i>meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.</i>
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**CARRIED 9/1268 – 01/09/2020**

**11 PETITIONS**

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Nil.

**12 NOTICES OF MOTION**

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Nil.

**13 OFFICERS REPORTS**

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**13.1 Receive and Note Reports**

**13.1.1 Draft Budget Timetable 2021/2022**

Moved: Alderman Hale  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Garden

THAT Report entitled Draft Budget Timetable 2021/2022 be received and noted.

**CARRIED 9/1269 – 01/09/2020**

**13.1.2 Sustainability Strategy Review and Waste Education Update**

Moved: Alderman Spick  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Garden

THAT Report entitled Sustainability Strategy Review and Waste Education Update be received and noted.

**CARRIED 9/1270 – 01/09/2020**

Initials: AKG



## 13.2 Action Reports

### 13.2.1 Local Government Association of the Northern Territory Call for Policy and Action Motions November 2020

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded: Alderman Henderson

1. THAT Report entitled Local Government Association of the Northern Territory Call for Policy and Action Motions November 2020 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse Action Motion 5G Access Rights and Responsibilities to be submitted to the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory for consideration at its General Meeting in November 2020 being **Attachment 13.2.1.1** to Report entitled Local Government Association of the Northern Territory Call for Policy and Action Motions November 2020.

CARRIED 9/1271 – 01/09/2020

### 13.2.2 Strategic Internal Audit Plan 2021-2023 – Recommendation Three

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden  
Seconded: Alderman Hale

1. THAT Report entitled Strategic Internal Audit Plan 2021- 2023 – Recommendation Three be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse an annual review of the Strategic Internal Audit 2021-2023 be undertaken and presented by the Risk Management and Audit Committee to ensure effective and appropriate risk management oversight for Council.

CARRIED 9/1272 – 01/09/2020

### 13.2.3 Appointment of Deputy Mayor October 2020 to March 2021

Moved: Alderman Hale  
Seconded: Alderman Henderson

1. THAT Report entitled Appointment of Deputy Mayor October 2020 to March 2021 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council appoint Alderman Lewis as Deputy Mayor for a period of five months in accordance with Council Policy EM01 Elected Members, commencing 24 October 2020 to 24 March 2021 (inclusive).

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CARRIED 9/1273 – 01/09/2020

#### 13.2.4 Preserving our Urban Forest Policy

Moved: Alderman Henderson  
Seconded: Alderman Spick

1. THAT Report entitled Preserving our Urban Forest Policy be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopt draft Preserving Our Urban Forest Policy being **Attachment 13.2.4.1** to Report entitled Preserving our Urban Forest Policy as a policy of Council.

CARRIED 9/1274 – 01/09/2020

*Alderman Spick left the meeting at 5:49pm*

#### 13.2.5 Community Benefit Scheme Sponsorship Application – Reeling Veterans

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden  
Seconded: Alderman Hale

1. THAT Report entitled Community Benefit Scheme Sponsorship Application – Reeling Veterans be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approves a three-year sponsorship agreement from the Community Benefit Scheme for Reeling Veterans Inc. of \$10,000 per annum to support the annual Tiwi Trip as detailed within Report entitled Community Benefits Scheme Sponsorship Application – Reeling Veterans.

CARRIED 9/1275 – 01/09/2020

*Alderman Spick returned to the meeting at 5:51pm*

#### 13.2.6 Reduced Hours of Late-Night Lighting – Deleny Gwa Park, Rivergrass Circuit

Moved: Alderman Spick  
Seconded: Alderman Hale

1. THAT Report entitled Reduced Hours of Late-Night Lighting – Deleny Gwa Park, Rivergrass Circuit be received and noted.
2. That Council write to the petition organiser acknowledging the petition and advising that, following a review of the lighting and associated issues, there will be no change to existing lighting with the exception of changing the gazebo lighting to a warmer

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and potentially lower wattage luminaire and therefore no consultation will be undertaken regarding the petition.

**CARRIED 9/1276 – 01/09/2020**

**13.2.7 Free Parking Update**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden

Seconded: Alderman Henderson

1. THAT Report entitled Free Parking Update be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the continuation of all-day free car parking in the Palmerston city centre until 30 June 2021.
3. THAT the cost of extending free parking is included at the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Budget Review for 2020/2021.
4. THAT the medium to long term future of paid parking be considered as part of the 2020 annual review of the City of Palmerston Parking Strategy.

**CARRIED 9/1277 – 01/09/2020**

**13.2.8 Off Leash Dog Exercise Area - Maurice Terrace Park, Bakewell**

Moved: Alderman Spick

Seconded: Alderman Hale

1. THAT Report entitled Off Leash Dog Exercise Area – Maurice Terrace Park, Bakewell be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the development of Maurice Terrace Park, Bakewell to include a permanent off leash dog exercise area outlined within report entitled Off Leash Dog Exercise Area Maurice Terrace Park, Bakewell.

**CARRIED 9/1278 – 01/09/2020**

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13.2.9 Marlow Lagoon Dog Park Update – August 2020

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden  
Seconded: Alderman Henderson

1. THAT Report entitled Marlow Lagoon Dog Park Update – August 2020 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council receive and note the recommencement of community consultation to gauge the community's support for Marlow Lagoon Dog Park Improvements with a report on the outcomes of the consultation to be presented to the Council at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ordinary Meeting in November 2020.

CARRIED 9/1279 – 01/09/2020

## 14 INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

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14.1 Information

Nil.

14.2 Correspondence

Nil.

## 15 REPORT OF DELEGATES

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15.1 Tourism Top End

Moved: Alderman Henderson  
Seconded: Alderman Spick

THAT the verbal report received by Alderman Henderson regarding Tourism Top End meeting held on 25 August 2020 be received and noted.

CARRIED 9/1280 – 01/09/2020

## 16 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

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Nil.

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## 17 GENERAL BUSINESS

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17.1 Director of Organisational Services, Richard Iap

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell

Seconded: Alderman Lewis

THAT Council thank and acknowledges the contribution made by Director Organisational Services, Richard Iap in the past two years to the Palmerston Community and wish him all the best in the future.

CARRIED 9/1281 – 01/09/2020

## 18 NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

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Moved: Alderman Hale

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Garden

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on 15 September 2020 at 5:30pm at Mother Teresa Catholic Primary School Chapel, 16 Ginger Road, Zuccoli.

CARRIED 9/1282 – 01/09/2020

## 19 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO PUBLIC

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Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden

Seconded: Alderman Hale

THAT pursuant to Section 65(2) of the *Local Government Act* and Regulation 9 of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations* the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential Items of the Agenda.

CARRIED 9/1283 – 01/09/2020

## 20 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON

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Nil

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*The Chair declared the meeting closed at 6:21 pm.*

Chair

Print Name

Date

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## 21 RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Nil.

## 22 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

### 22.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden  
Seconded: Alderman Henderson

THAT the Minutes of the Confidential Council Meeting held on Tuesday 18 August 2020  
pages 10192 to 10196, be confirmed.

CARRIED 9/1284- 01/09/2020

### 22.2 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

Nil.

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## 23 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

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Nil.

## 24 NOTICE OF MOTION

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Nil.

## 25 OFFICERS REPORTS

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### 25.1 Receive and Note Reports

Nil.

### 25.2 Action Reports

#### 25.2.1 Swell Update- August 2020

Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden

Seconded: Alderman Henderson

1. THAT Report entitled Swell Update- August 2020 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council commence public consultation on the SWELL (Swimming, Wellness, Events, Leisure, Lifestyle) Project in September 2020 as detailed in report entitled SWELL Update August 2020.
3. THAT the Council Decisions relating to Report entitled Swell Update- August 2020 be moved to the Open Minutes following a media announcement of the SWELL project.

CARRIED 9/1285 - 01/09/2020

## 26 INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

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### 26.1 Information

Nil.

### 26.2 Correspondence

Nil.

Initials: AKG



## 27 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

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Nil.

## 28 GENERAL BUSINESS

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Nil.

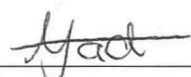
## 29 CLOSURE OF MEETING

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Moved: Deputy Mayor Garden  
Seconded: Alderman Hale

THAT the first Meeting of the Ninth City of Palmerston Council, held in the Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, Palmerston on Tuesday, 1 September 2020 closed at 6:21pm.

CARRIED 9/1286 - 01/09/2020

  
Chair

  
Print Name

  
Date

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