

# MINUTES

## Ordinary Council Meeting Tuesday 21 September 2021

The Ordinary Meeting of the City of Palmerston held in the Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston, NT 0830

Minutes of Council Meeting  
held in Council Chambers  
Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston  
on Tuesday 21 September 2021 at 5:30pm.

## PRESENT

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### ELECTED MEMBERS

Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell (Chair)  
Alderman Danielle Eveleigh  
Alderman Mark Fraser  
Alderman Amber Garden  
Alderman Ben Giesecke  
Alderman Damian Hale  
Alderman Sarah Henderson  
Alderman Lucy Morrison (*Via Audio Visual Conference*)

### STAFF

Chief Executive Officer, Luccio Cercarelli  
Deputy Chief Executive Officer/Director Lifestyle and  
Community, Amelia Vellar  
Director City Growth and Operations, Nadine Nilon  
Governance Strategy Manager, Manu Pillai  
Communications Manager, Becky Saywell  
Executive Assistant to CEO, Jessie Schaecken  
Minute Secretary, Chloe Hayes

### GALLERY

One member of the public

## 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.*

## 2 OPENING OF MEETING

The Chair declared the meeting open at 05:32 pm.

Initials: 

## 3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

### 3.1 Apologies

Nil

### 3.2 Leave of Absence Previously Granted

Nil

### 3.3 Leave of Absence Request

Moved: Alderman Hale

Seconded: Mayor Pascoe-Bell

1. THAT the leave of absence received from Mayor Pascoe-Bell from noon 24 September to 26 September 2021 inclusive be received and noted.
2. THAT the leave of absence received from Alderman Hale from 24 September to 24 September inclusive be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/1 - 21/09/2021

## 4 REQUEST FOR AUDIO/AUDIOVISUAL CONFERENCING

Nil

## 5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

### 5.1 Elected Members

Moved: Alderman Eveleigh

Seconded: Alderman Morrison

THAT the Declaration of Interest received from Alderman Eveleigh for Item 13.1.1 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/2 - 21/09/2021

### 5.2 Staff

Nil

## 6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

### 6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved: Alderman Henderson

Seconded: Alderman Hale

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 17 August 2021 pages 10534 to 10540 be confirmed.

CARRIED 10/3 - 21/09/2021

Initials: 



6.2 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

Nil

7 MAYORAL REPORT

Nil

8 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

9 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS)

Nil

10 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

10.1 Moving Confidential Items into Open

10.1.1 Zuccoli Community Hub Update

Moved: Alderman Henderson

Seconded: Alderman Lewis

1. THAT Report entitled Zuccoli Community Hub Update be received and noted.
2. THAT pursuant to Section 26(2) of the Local Government Act 2008, Council authorises the affixing of the common seal to the lease of Crown Land over Lot 13503 and Lot 15612(A), Town of Palmerston - Common Seal between the Northern Territory Government or its representatives and City of Palmerston and that this be attested by the signatures of the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer.
3. THAT Council endorse the concept Master Plan being **Attachment 25.2.1.4** to Report entitled Zuccoli Community Hub Update for the purpose of the Community Consultation noting the following changes:
  - Removal of the area marked potential sports court area and replace with the community gardens.
  - Moving the garden of reflection where the community garden was drawn.
  - Develop a grassed outdoor event zone where the garden of reflection was drawn.
  - Ensure that the path between the gardens / plaza / community hall is a 3 metre path for accessibility.
  - Reduce some of the hard surface area marked as plaza space.
  - And that the Plaza space to include a shade/cover option.
4. THAT Council endorse the Zuccoli Community Hub for a submission to the Australian Government Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF) – Round 6 for a value of \$7.5 million being for the Community Centre and Children Library, being:
  - Australian Government \$5 million
  - City of Palmerston may include other external funding partners \$2.5 million

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5. THAT a Report on the outcomes of the community consultation and the resulting finalised Masterplan, for presentation to the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics, be presented to Council following the conclusion of the consultation period.
6. THAT the decisions relating to the report Zuccoli Community Hub Update be moved into the open minutes following a related media announcement.

CARRIED 9/1702 - 15/06/2021

## 10.1.2 SWELL Management and Operations Contract

Moved: Alderman Lewis  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Garden

1. THAT Report entitled SWELL Management and Operations Contract be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse awarding the SWELL Management and Operations Contract for a period of five (5) years with free entry access to the aquatic components of the pool for the term of the contract with all other fees and charges to be determined annually.
3. THAT Council note Belgravia Pty Ltd as the preferred tenderer of the SWELL Management and Operations Contract at a total contract value of \$1,834,116 (GST exclusive) for a period of five years with the start date being 1 July 2021.
4. THAT the Council Decisions relating to Report Entitled SWELL Management and Operations Contract be moved to the Open Minutes on award of the contract.

CARRIED 9/1664 - 01/06/2021

## 10.2 Moving Open Items into Confidential

Nil

## 10.3 Confidential Items

Nil

## 11 PETITIONS

Nil

## 12 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

## 13 OFFICER REPORTS

### 13.1 Receive and Note Reports

Alderman Eveleigh declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 05:35 pm.

Initials: 

## 13.1.1 Community Benefit Scheme Update – September 2021

Moved: Alderman Garden  
Seconded: Alderman Henderson

THAT Report entitled Community Benefit Scheme Update - September 2021 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/4 – 21/09/2021

*Alderman Eveleigh returned to the meeting at 05:37 pm.*

## 13.1.2 Financial Report for the Month of August 2021

Moved: Alderman Morrison  
Seconded: Alderman Garden

THAT Report entitled Financial Report for the Month of August 2021 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/5 – 21/09/2021

## 13.2 Action Reports

### 13.2.1 Casting Vote

Moved: Alderman Eveleigh  
Seconded: Alderman Morrison

1. THAT Report entitled Casting Vote be received and noted.
2. THAT pursuant to section 95(6) of the *Local Government Act* it be a policy of the 10th City of Palmerston Council that the Chair of Council Meetings hold a casting vote in the event of an equality of votes.
3. THAT Council adopt draft policy Casting Vote being **Attachment 13.2.1.1** to Report entitled Casting Vote as a policy of Council.

CARRIED 10/6 – 21/09/2021

### 13.2.2 Nature and Timing of Council Meetings

Moved: Alderman Garden  
Seconded: Alderman Hale

1. THAT Report entitled Nature and Timing of Council Meetings be received and noted.
2. THAT in accordance with Section 90(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019*, Council hold two Ordinary Meetings, on the first and third Tuesday of each month commencing at 5.30pm.

Initials: 



3. THAT Council only hold one Ordinary Council Meeting in December and January, being the Second Tuesday of December and the third Tuesday of January commencing at 5.30pm.
4. THAT Council hold an Open Public Forum preceding an Ordinary Council Meeting commencing at 5.00pm.

CARRIED 10/7 – 21/09/2021

### 13.2.3 Order of Business – Ordinary Council Meetings

Moved: Alderman Garden  
Seconded: Alderman Henderson

1. THAT Report entitled Order of Business - Ordinary Council Meetings be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approves the 10<sup>th</sup> City of Palmerston Order of Business for Ordinary Council Meetings as provided at **Attachment 13.2.3.1** and **Attachment 13.2.3.2** of Report entitled Order of Business Ordinary Council Meetings.

CARRIED 10/8 – 21/09/2021

### 13.2.4 Deputy Mayor

Moved: Alderman Eveleigh  
Seconded: Alderman Fraser

1. THAT Report entitled Deputy Mayor be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse the position of Deputy Mayor to be a term set of seven intervals of 207 days and that method of appointment be as per Council Policy *Appointment of Deputy Mayor*.
3. THAT Council adopt amended Council Policy Appointment of Deputy Mayor being **Attachment 13.2.4.3** of Report entitled Deputy Mayor.
4. THAT Council appoint Alderman Henderson as Deputy Mayor in accordance with Council Policy *Appointment of Deputy Mayor* commencing 22 September 2021 to 17 April 2022 inclusive.

CARRIED 10/9 – 21/09/2021

### 13.2.5 Title Change of Elected Members

Moved: Alderman Eveleigh  
Seconded: Alderman Giesecke

1. THAT Report entitled Title Change of Elected Members be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse the title change of its Ordinary Council Members from Alderman to Councillor effective 22 September 2021.

CARRIED 10/10 – 21/09/2021

Initials: 

### 13.2.6 10<sup>th</sup> Council Christmas and Easter Closures

Moved: Alderman Hale  
Seconded: Alderman Morrison

1. THAT Report entitled 10th Council Christmas and Easter Closures be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approves the closure of the Council Depot, Civic Plaza, Gray Community Hall, Durack Community Arts Centre, Driver Resource Centre, Recreation Centre and Library from 12.00pm on the final business day before Christmas Day, reopening on the first business day after the New Year's Day public holiday for the term of the 10th Council.
3. THAT Council approves the closure of Gray Community Hall, Durack Community Arts Centre, Driver Resource Centre, Recreation Centre and the Library on Easter Sunday for the term of the 10th Council.
4. THAT Council notes the Palmerston Fitness and Aquatic Centre and Archer Waste Management Facility will maintain normal operating hours and other essential services will continue including waste collection and limited animal management over these periods.

CARRIED 10/11 – 21/09/2021

## 14 INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

### 14.1 Information

Nil

### 14.2 Correspondence

Nil

## 15 REPORT OF DELEGATES

Nil

## 16 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

Nil

## 17 GENERAL BUSINESS

### 17.1 Public Places Litter Service Standards

Moved: Alderman Henderson  
Seconded: Alderman Morrison

THAT a report be prepared on current service level standards regarding the management of public litter on Council land and identify any opportunities of improved service level and public awareness by the Ordinary Meeting of January 2022.

CARRIED 10/12 – 21/09/2021

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_





18 NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Moved: Alderman Garden  
Seconded: Alderman Fraser

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 5 October 2021 at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston.

CARRIED 10/13 - 21/09/2021

19 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO PUBLIC

Moved: Alderman Morrison  
Seconded: Alderman Fraser

THAT pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the Agenda.

CARRIED 10/14 - 21/09/2021

20 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON

Moved: Alderman Henderson  
Seconded: Alderman Giesecke

THAT the meeting be adjourned for 10 minutes.

CARRIED 10/15 - 21/09/2021

*The meeting adjourned at 6.03pm*

*The open section of the meeting closed at 6.10pm for the discussion of confidential matters.*

*The Chair declared the Meeting closed at 6.34pm.*

Chair

Print Name

Date

Initials: