

# MINUTES

## **1st Ordinary Council Meeting Tuesday 14 December 2021**

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

## COUNCIL MINUTES

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Minutes of Council Meeting  
held in Council Chambers  
Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston  
on Tuesday 14 December 2021 at 5:30pm.

### PRESENT

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#### ELECTED MEMBERS

Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell (Chair)  
Deputy Mayor Sarah Henderson  
Councillor Danielle Eveleigh  
Councillor Mark Fraser  
Councillor Amber Garden  
Councillor Ben Giesecke  
Councillor Damian Hale  
Councillor Lucy Morrison

#### STAFF

Chief Executive Officer, Luccio Cercarelli  
Deputy Chief Executive Officer/General Manager  
Community and Culture, Amelia Vellar  
General Manager Infrastructure, Nadine Nilon  
People and Customer Manager, Emma Blight  
Executive Officer - Strategic Projects, Francheska Gobel  
City Operations Manager, Michael Taylor  
Private Works Engineer, Wesley Zhang  
Minute Secretary, Chloe Hayes

#### GALLERY

One member of the public  
Member for Blain, Mark Turner

Initials: 

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 5.30pm.

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: Deputy Mayor Henderson  
Seconded: Councillor Eveleigh

1. THAT the leave of absence received from Mayor Pascoe-Bell for 26 December 2021 to 16 January 2022 inclusive be received and noted.
2. THAT the leave of absence received from Deputy Mayor Henderson for 21 December 2021 to 8 January 2022 inclusive be received and noted.
3. THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Eveleigh for 3 January to 5 January 2022 inclusive be received and noted.
4. THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Giesecke for 27 January to 30 January 2022 inclusive be received and noted.

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4 REQUEST FOR AUDIO/AUDIOVISUAL CONFERENCING

Nil

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

5.1 Elected Members

Nil

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### 5.2 Staff

Moved: Councillor Eveleigh  
Seconded: Councillor Garden

THAT the Declaration of Interest received from Chief Executive Officer for Item 25.1.3 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/124 – 14/12/2021

## 6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

### 6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved: Councillor Garden  
Seconded: Councillor Hale

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 16 November 2021 pages 10597 to 10606 be confirmed with the following amendments:

- The recommendations from Item 13.1.2 entitled Laneway Closure Request - Castor Court be removed.

CARRIED 10/125 – 14/12/2021

### 6.2 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

Nil

## 7 MAYORAL REPORT

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Henderson

THAT Report entitled Mayoral Update Report - December 2021 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/126 – 14/12/2021

## 8 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

## 9 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS)

Nil

## 10 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

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## 10.1 Moving Confidential Items into Open

Nil

## 10.2 Moving Open Items into Confidential

Nil

## 10.3 Confidential Items

Moved: Councillor Garden

Seconded: Councillor Eveleigh

THAT pursuant to Section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and section 51(1) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* the meeting be closed to the public to consider the following confidential items:

Item	Confidential Category	Confidential Clause
24.1	Government Relations	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the <i>Local Government Act 2019</i> and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations 2021</i> , which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.
25.1.1	Appointment of Committee Member	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the <i>Local Government Act 2019</i> and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations 2021</i> , which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.
25.1.2	Council Property Agreements and Contracts	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the <i>Local Government Act 2019</i> and section 51(1)(c)(i) of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations 2021</i> , which states a council may close to the public only so much of its 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.
25.1.3	Council Committee Recommendation	This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the <i>Local Government Act 2019</i> and section 51(1)(a) of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations 2021</i> , which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or

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		both relating to, information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual.
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### 11 PETITIONS

Nil

### 12 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

### 13 OFFICER REPORTS

#### 13.1 Action Reports

##### 13.1.1 Laneway Closure - Castor Court Additional Information

Moved: Deputy Mayor Henderson

Seconded: Councillor Eveleigh

1. THAT Report entitled Laneway Closure - Castor Court Additional Information be received and noted.
2. THAT Council retrieves Report entitled Laneway Closure Request - Castor Court from the table and that this be the next item of consideration in the agenda.

CARRIED 10/128 - 14/12/2021

##### Laneway Closure Request - Castor Court

Moved: Mayor Pascoe-Bell

Seconded: Councillor Garden

1. THAT Report entitled Laneway Closure Request - Castor Court be received and noted.
2. THAT Council declines the Castor Court laneway closure request due to the laneway not meeting the required closure requirements of Council's Laneway Management Policy.
3. THAT the night-time closure of the Castor Court laneway continue for a further 12 months, with a review no later than December 2022 with modifications to be undertaken to the gates to mitigate climbing within 3 months.

CARRIED 10/129 - 14/12/2021

#### 13.1.2 Laneway Treatment Review

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Moved: Deputy Mayor Henderson

Seconded: Councillor Fraser

1. THAT Report entitled Laneway Treatment Review be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the continuation of the existing eleven temporary part time laneway closures and six full time closures for a twelve month period, with a report to be prepared for Council by December 2022 following the further assessment of laneways as discussed within this report.
3. THAT Council write to adjacent landowners of temporarily closed laneways advising of the continuation of closures.

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### 13.1.3 Zuccoli Community Hub Community Consultation

Moved: Councillor Hale

Seconded: Councillor Eveleigh

1. THAT Report entitled Zuccoli Community Hub Community Consultation be received and noted.
2. THAT a draft final Masterplan which takes into consideration the community consultation outcomes be developed and presented to Council in February 2022.

CARRIED 10/131 – 14/12/2021

### 13.1.4 No More Campaign - United Nations 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence

Moved: Councillor Morrison

Seconded: Councillor Eveleigh

1. THAT Report entitled No More Campaign - United Nations 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorse official support from City of Palmerston for the *No More Campaign* and all associated actions to raise awareness and reduce domestic and family violence.

CARRIED 10/132 – 14/12/2021

### 13.1.5 Community Benefit Scheme - Sponsorship - Palmerston Cricket Club

Moved: Councillor Hale

Seconded: Councillor Garden

1. THAT Report entitled Community Benefit Scheme - Sponsorship - Palmerston Cricket Club be received and noted.

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2. THAT Council approves the \$5,000 Platinum and Corporate Sponsorship Proposal from the Palmerston Cricket Club to be funded from the Community Benefit Scheme as detailed in Report entitled Community Benefit Scheme - Sponsorship - Palmerston Cricket Club.

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### 13.1.6 2021 Palmerston Local Government Election - Outcomes

Moved: Councillor Garden  
Seconded: Councillor Eveleigh

1. THAT Report entitled 2021 Palmerston Local Government Election - Outcomes be received and noted.
2. THAT Council advise the Northern Territory Electoral Commission that Council will not be undertaking non-voting follow up action following the 2021 City of Palmerston Local Government Election.

CARRIED 10/134 – 14/12/2021

### 13.1.7 Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Phase Three

Moved: Councillor Garden  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Henderson

1. THAT Report entitled Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Phase Three be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the following projects for Phase 3 of the Australian Government Local Road and Community Infrastructure Program, as outlined within the report with a total allocation of \$823,778;
  - Accessible Play Infrastructure
  - Lake Infrastructure and Amenity Renewal and Upgrade
  - Playground Shade
  - Road Floodway Indicators
  - Durack Arts Centre Air-Conditioning and Solar
  - Community Facility Bathroom Renewal

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### 13.1.8 Preparing Australian Communities for Projects of Local Significance - Grant Request

Moved: Councillor Eveleigh  
Seconded: Councillor Morrison

1. THAT Report entitled Preparing Australian Communities for Projects of Local Significance - Grant Request be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the submission of an application for a grant under the Australian Government Preparing Australia Program to co-fund the installation of back-up

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emergency power generation to the Palmerston Recreation Centre and the Palmerston Library with Council's contribution to be funded from the Working Capital Reserve.

3. THAT Council approve the movement of \$200,000 from the Working Capital Reserve subject to a successful City of Palmerston, preparing Australian Communities Program, application.

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### 13.1.9 Neighbourhood Programs

Moved: Councillor Morrison  
Seconded: Councillor Fraser

1. THAT Report entitled Neighbourhood Programs be received and noted.
2. THAT Council refer the 1,000 Play Streets initiative to the 2022/23 Draft Budget process for consideration.

CARRIED 10/137 – 14/12/2021

### 13.2 Receive and Note Reports

#### 13.2.1 Financial Report for the Month of November 2021

Moved: Councillor Garden  
Seconded: Councillor Fraser

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

CARRIED 10/138 – 14/12/2021

#### 13.2.2 City of Palmerston - Community Benefit Scheme - December Update

Moved: Councillor Morrison  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Henderson

THAT Report entitled City of Palmerston - Community Benefit Scheme - December Update be received and noted.

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#### 13.2.3 Gray Community Hall Project Update

Moved: Councillor Fraser  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Henderson

THAT Report entitled Gray Community Hall Project Update be received and noted.

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## 14 INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

### 14.1 Information

Nil

### 14.2 Correspondence

#### 14.2.1 Charges

Moved: Councillor Garden  
Seconded: Councillor Fraser

THAT correspondence received from the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet dated 20 May 2021 entitled Charges be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/141 – 14/12/2021

#### 14.2.2 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements

Moved: Deputy Mayor Henderson  
Seconded: Councillor Fraser

THAT correspondence received from the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet dated 4 November 2021 entitled Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/142 – 14/12/2021

#### 14.2.3 Appointment of Members for Development Consent Authority

Moved: Councillor Eveleigh  
Seconded: Councillor Garden

THAT correspondence received from the Department for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics dated 29 November 2021 entitled Appointment of Members for Development Consent Authority be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/143 – 14/12/2021

## 15 REPORT OF DELEGATES

Nil

## 16 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

Nil

## 17 GENERAL BUSINESS

Initials:



### 17.1 Acting Mayor

Moved: Councillor Giesecke  
Seconded: Councillor Garden

THAT Councillor Giesecke be Acting Mayor for period 26 December 2021 to 8 January 2022 inclusive, as Mayor and Deputy Mayor are on leave.

CARRIED 10/144 – 14/12/2021

### 18 NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Moved: Councillor Garden  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Henderson

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 18 January 2021 at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston.

CARRIED 10/145 – 14/12/2021

### 19 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO PUBLIC

Moved: Councillor Fraser  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Henderson

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 10/146 – 14/12/2021

### 20 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON

Moved: Deputy Mayor Henderson  
Seconded: Councillor Garden

THAT the meeting be adjourned for 10 minutes.

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The meeting adjourned at 6:52pm.

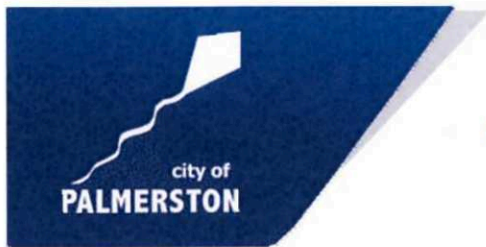
The open section of the meeting closed at 6:58pm for the discussion of confidential matters.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 7:43pm.

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Chair

Print Name

Date

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