



# MINUTES

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Ordinary Council Meeting** **Tuesday 15 February 2022**

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

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Minutes of Council Meeting  
held in Council Chambers  
Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston  
on Tuesday 15 February 2022 at 5:30pm.

### PRESENT

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#### ELECTED MEMBERS

Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell (Chair)  
Deputy Mayor Sarah Henderson  
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  
Minute Secretary, Chloe Hayes

#### GALLERY

Two members of the public  
Three members of staff

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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.*

### 2 OPENING OF MEETING

The Chair declared the meeting open at 5.30pm.

### 3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

#### 3.1 Apologies

Moved: Councillor Morrison  
Seconded: Councillor Fraser

THAT the apology received from Councillor Eveleigh for 15 February 2022 be received and noted.

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#### 3.2 Leave of Absence Previously Granted

Nil

#### 3.3 Leave of Absence Request

Moved: Councillor Hale  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Henderson

THAT the leave of absence received from Councillor Hale for 4 March to 9 March 2022 inclusive be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/197 - 15/02/2022

### 4 REQUEST FOR AUDIO/AUDIOVISUAL CONFERENCING

Nil

### 5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

#### 5.1 Elected Members

Moved: Councillor Giesecke  
Seconded: Councillor Hale

THAT the Declaration of Interest received from Councillor Giesecke for Item 25.1.2 be received and noted.

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### 5.2 Staff

Nil

## 6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

### 6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved: Councillor Garden  
Seconded: Councillor Fraser

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 1 February 2022 pages 10638 to 10647 be confirmed.

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### 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

*Councillor Giesecke declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 5:59pm.*

#### 25.1.2 SWELL Loan Approval

Moved: Deputy Mayor Henderson  
Seconded: Councillor Hale

1. THAT Report entitled SWELL Loan Approval be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approves a loan of \$5 million drawn with the underlying conditions:
  - The proposed lender - National Australia Bank (NAB).
  - The purpose of the loan – SWELL Project.
  - The terms of the loan – 20 years.
  - Repayment – Quarterly.

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- Interest – Variable Rate.
3. THAT in accordance with Section 38(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019*, the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer be authorised to sign and seal loan documentation with National Australia Bank (NAB) in relation to the Swimming and Wellness, Events, Leisure, Lifestyle (SWELL) project for a variable loan of \$5 million over 20 years with quarterly repayments and the funds are to be drawn as required between June 2022 and June 2023.
  4. THAT the Council Decisions relating to the Report entitled SWELL Loan Approval be moved to the Open Minutes of the 15 February 2022 Meeting.

**CARRIED 10/215 – 15/02/2022**

*Councillor Giesecke returned to the meeting at 6:04pm.*

**23.1 Deputy Police Commissioner NT Police, Fire & Emergency Services, Michael Murphy and CEO Ken Davies Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities**

Moved: Councillor Morrison  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Henderson

1. THAT the confidential visitation from the Deputy Police Commissioner for NT Police, Fire & Emergency Services, Michael Murphy and Chief Executive Officer for the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities be received and noted.
2. THAT this decision be moved to the open section of the 15 February 2022 Council Meeting Minutes.

**CARRIED 10/217 – 15/02/2022**

**10.2 Moving Open Items into Confidential**

Nil

**10.3 Confidential Items**

Moved: Councillor Garden  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Henderson

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
23.1	External Presentation Request	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)(e) of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations 2021</i> , which states a council may

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		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 provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.
25.1.1	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)(b) 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 about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer.
25.1.2	Council Performance, Service Delivery and Budget Review	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.
26.2.1	Review of Confidential Matters	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.

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### 11 PETITIONS

Nil

### 12 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

### 13 OFFICER REPORTS

#### 13.1 Action Reports

##### 13.1.1 Council Policy Review Schedule

Moved: Councillor Morrison  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Henderson

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1. THAT Report entitled Council Policy Review Schedule be received and noted.
2. THAT effective 16 February 2022 pursuant to Section 40 of the *Local Government Act 2019* Council hereby delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to make non-substantive administrative changes to Council Policies, that does not change the context of a policy.

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### 13.1.2 Bailey Circuit Laneway Storm Water Modelling

Moved: Councillor Hale  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Henderson

1. THAT Report entitled Bailey Circuit Laneway Storm Water Modeling be received and noted.
2. THAT Council notes that further detailed stormwater assessments are underway for the Bailey Circuit stormwater catchment area and outcomes of the assessments will be reported to Council no later than December 2022 to ensure all information is available for the 12 month laneway night-time closure review.
3. THAT Council does not amend the night-time laneway closure times for the Bailey Circuit laneway and that they continue in accordance with the *Laneway Management Policy*.

CARRIED 10/202 – 15/02/2022

### 13.1.3 myPalmerston 2022

Moved: Councillor Morrison  
Seconded: Councillor Fraser

1. THAT Report entitled myPalmerston 2022 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council accepts the Northern Territory Government offer to partner in delivering myPalmerston 2022 as outlined in report entitled myPalmerston 2022, with the Northern Territory Government financial contribution being \$300,000 and City of Palmerston contribution being \$200,000, noting the possibility that the Northern Territory Government may increase its financial contribution.
3. THAT Council approves immediate funding of its contribution of \$200,000 towards myPalmerston 2022 being funded from 2021/2022 operational savings in wages and salaries (\$143,000) and Local Government Association of the Northern Territory membership fees (\$57,000).
4. THAT pursuant to Section 40(2)(a) of the *Local Government Act 2019* Council hereby delegated to the Chief Executive Officer the power to negotiate and finalise the agreement for the City of Palmerston myPalmerston Local Business Voucher Program for 2022 as outlined in Report entitled myPalmerston 2022.

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### 13.1.4 Second Quarter Budget Review 2021-22

Moved: Councillor Garden  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Henderson

1. THAT Report entitled Second Quarter Budget Review 2021-22 be received and noted.
2. THAT Council adopts the Second Quarter Budget Review 2021/22, pursuant to Regulation 9 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* as presented as **Attachment 13.1.4.1** to Report entitled Second Quarter Budget Review 2021-22.
3. THAT Council adopts the movements for 2021/22 as per **Attachment 13.1.4.1** to Report entitled Second Quarter Budget Review 2021-22.
4. THAT Council notes the reserve movements for 2021/22 of a transfer of \$10,000 from waste management reserve to fund the Home Composting Rebate previously approved.

CARRIED 10/204 – 15/02/2022

### 13.1.5 Zuccoli Community Hub Community Consultation

Moved: Councillor Morrison  
Seconded: Councillor Fraser

1. THAT Report entitled Zuccoli Community Hub Community Consultation be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approve the final Zuccoli Community Hub Master Plan as provided as **Attachment 13.1.5.1** to Report entitled Zuccoli Community Hub Community Consultation that has been amended in response to feedback gained through community consultation as outlined in this report.
3. THAT the Mayor write to the Northern Territory Government, Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics presenting the final Zuccoli Community Hub Master Plan for approval as per the conditions of the sites Crown Term Lease.
4. THAT Council notes the submitted City of Palmerston Building Better Regions Fund Round Six submission for Zuccoli Community Hub was amended to a funding request of \$3,175,000 to ensure compliance to the funding conditions of this round.
5. THAT Council write to all the community members and stakeholders who submitted feedback as part of the consultation process, thanking them for their contribution and advise them of the outcome and project progress.

CARRIED 10/205 – 15/02/2022

### 13.1.6 Draft Disability Inclusion and Access Plan

Moved: Councillor Fraser  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Henderson

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1. THAT Report entitled Draft Disability Inclusion and Access Plan be received and noted.
2. THAT Council approves public consultation for a period of 60 days on the draft City of Palmerston Disability Inclusion and Access Plan as presented as **Attachment 13.1.6.1** to Report entitled Draft Disability Inclusion and Access Plan before presentation of a final version of the plan with incorporated feedback from the community consultation to be presented to Council for adoption at the conclusion of the consultation period.

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### 13.2 Receive and Note Reports

#### 13.2.1 NT Strategic Water Plan

Moved: Councillor Fraser  
Seconded: Councillor Garden

THAT Report entitled NT Strategic Water Plan - Direction Paper be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/207 – 15/02/2022

#### 13.2.2 Financial Report for the Month of January 2022

Moved: Councillor Giesecke  
Seconded: Councillor Morrison

THAT Report entitled Financial Report for the Month of January 2022 be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/208 – 15/02/2022

#### 13.2.3 City of Palmerston - Community Benefit Scheme - February Update

Moved: Councillor Morrison  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Henderson

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

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## 14 INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

### 14.1 Information

Nil

### 14.2 Correspondence

Nil

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15 REPORT OF DELEGATES

Nil

16 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

Nil

17 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

18 NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Moved: Councillor Garden  
Seconded: Councillor Fraser

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 1 March 2022 at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, 1 Chung Wah Terrace, Palmerston.

CARRIED 10/210 – 15/02/2022

19 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO PUBLIC

Moved: Councillor Garden  
Seconded: Councillor 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 10/211 – 15/02/2022

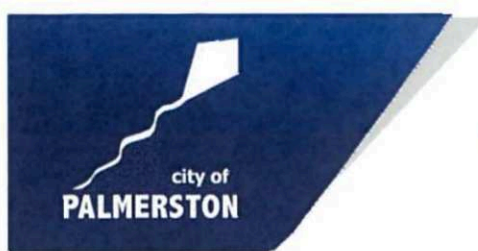
20 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AND MEDIA LIAISON

Nil

The open section of the meeting closed at 5.55pm for the discussion of confidential matters.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 7:48pm.

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Chair

Print Name

Date

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