

**CITY OF PALMERSTON**

**Minutes of Council Meeting  
held in Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, Palmerston  
on Tuesday, 2 February 2016 at 6.30pm**

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**1. PRESENT**

**Elected Members:** His Worship the Mayor Ian Abbott (Chair)  
Deputy Mayor Sue McKinnon  
Alderman Andrew Byrne  
Alderman Paul Bunker  
Alderman Geoff Carter  
Alderman Seranna Shutt  
Alderman Athina Pascoe-Bell

**Staff:** Ricki Bruhn, Chief Executive Officer  
Ben Dornier, Director of Corporate and Community Services  
Mark Spangler, Director of Technical Services  
Emily Fanning, Minute Secretary

**Gallery:** Gary Boyle, Major Projects Officer  
Gerard Rosse, Manager Planning and Environment Services  
Silke Reinhardt, Finance Manager  
Dani McDonald, NT News Journalist  
8 members of the public

**2. APOLOGIES**

Nil

**3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Moved: Deputy Mayor McKinnon  
Seconded: Alderman Carter

1. THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting held Tuesday, 12 January 2016 pages 8389 to 8398, be confirmed
2. THAT the Confidential minutes of the Council Meeting held Tuesday, 12 January 2016 pages 203 to 205, be confirmed.

**CARRIED 8/1808-02/02/2016**

**4. MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor provided a verbal report to Council.

**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**

7.1 Alderman Pascoe-Bell – Flockhart Bridge tenders

**8. PETITIONS**

Nil

**9. DEPUTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS**

Nil

**10. CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**

Nil

Moved: Alderman Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor McKinnon

THAT the order of business be altered to allow for Debate Agenda Item 13.1.5 to be considered prior to the consideration of Item 11 – Committee Recommendations.

**CARRIED 8/1809–02/02/2016**

**13.1.5 The Boulevard Stage 2 – Scope of Works**

**8/0816**

Moved: Alderman Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded: Alderman Shutt

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0816.

**CARRIED 8/1810–02/02/2016**

Moved: Alderman Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded: Alderman Byrne

2. THAT Council note the estimated project costs associated with constructing Stage 2 of The Boulevard in two sections being:

- a. Section 1 – Roystonea Ave to vicinity of Quest \$3.52m
- b. Section 2 – Frances Drive to vicinity of the Quest \$2.52m

**CARRIED 8/1811–02/02/2016**

**13.1.5 The Boulevard Stage 2 – Scope of Works (continued) 8/0816**

Moved: Alderman Bunker

Seconded: Alderman Byrne

3. THAT Council approves constructing the whole scope of works of The Boulevard Stage 2 in 2016.

**CARRIED 8/1812–02/02/2016**

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

Upon dividing, six members voted in the affirmative, one member voted in the negative.

Members Voting in the Affirmative

Alderman Carter

Alderman Shutt

Alderman Byrne

Alderman Bunker

Mayor Abbott

Deputy Mayor McKinnon

Members Voting in the Negative

Alderman Pascoe-Bell

The Chair declared the motion CARRIED

**11. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

**11.1 Governance and Organisation**

Nil

**11.2 Economic Development and Infrastructure**

The Chair invited Alderman Bunker, Chair of the Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee to provide a report to the meeting.

*A verbal report on the Special Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 27 January 2016 was presented by Alderman Bunker.*

Moved: Alderman Bunker

Seconded: Deputy Mayor McKinnon

THAT the minutes from the Special Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 27 January 2016, be received and noted and that

Council adopts the recommendations, with the exclusion of items 11.2.3, 11.2.4, 11.2.5 and 11.2.6 made by the Committee and accordingly resolves as follows:-

**11.2.1 Capital Works for Disability Access for 2015/16** **EDI/0366**

1. THAT Council approve disability access improvement works for the sites recommended in Table 1.0 of Report Number EDI/198.
2. THAT disability access improvement works involving concrete footpaths not use reinforcing steel unless deemed necessary by the Director of Technical Services.
3. THAT any identified cost savings are allocated to further disability access projects, at the discretion of the Director of Technical Services, to ensure the full budget allocation is expended.
4. THAT the Director of Technical Services checks the requirement to improve the proposed disability path at Location 9: Marlow Lagoon as identified in Attachment A to Report number EDI/198, prior to works commencing.

**11.2.2 Carbon Tax Reimbursement** **EDI/0372**

THAT any reimbursement received from the City of Darwin for Carbon Tax generated through the usage of the Shoal Bay Waste Facility, be appropriated into the Waste Management Reserve.

**CARRIED 8/1813–02/02/2016**

**11.2.3 Disability Access Works** **EDI/0373**

Moved: Deputy Mayor McKinnon  
Seconded: Alderman Pascoe-Bell

THAT a Report be provided to the EDI Committee for their review detailing the current process undertaken by Technical Services to compile the disability access improvement works program each year from customer requests and other sources

**CARRIED 8/1814–02/02/2016**

**11.2.4 Timed Parking Signs on The Boulevard Stage 1** **EDI/0374**

Moved: Alderman Bunker  
Seconded: Alderman Byrne

THAT timed parking signs be installed on The Boulevard Stage 1.

**AMENDMENT**

Moved: Alderman Pascoe Bell  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor McKinnon

THAT two hour timed parking signs be installed on The Boulevard Stage 1.

**AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN**

The original motion was put and CARRIED 8/1815-02/02/2016

**11.2.5 Expressions of Interest on Lot 10029 and Part Lot 9608 EDI/0375**

Moved: Alderman Bunker  
Seconded: Alderman Carter

THAT the Chief Executive Officer be given delegated authority to negotiate with any expression of interest received for the sale of Lot 10029 and Part Lot 9608.

**AMENDMENT**

Moved: Alderman Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded:

THAT the Chief Executive Officer be given delegated authority to negotiate with any expression of interest received for the sale of Lot 10029 and Part Lot 9608 following the advertising of Expressions of Interest.

**AMENDMENT LAPSED FOR WANT OF A SECONDER**

The original motion was put and CARRIED 8/1816-02/02/2016

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

Upon dividing, six members voted in the affirmative, one member voted in the negative.

Members Voting in the Affirmative

Alderman Carter  
Alderman Shutt  
Alderman Byrne  
Alderman Bunker  
Mayor Abbott  
Deputy Mayor McKinnon

Members Voting in the Negative

Alderman Pascoe-Bell

The Chair declared the motion CARRIED

**11.2.6 The Boulevard Stage 2 – Funding Approval**

**EDI/0376**

Moved: Alderman Bunker  
Seconded: Alderman Shutt

1. THAT Council notes that the Quest Apartments have requested the exposed aggregate concrete footpath adjacent to the Quest Apartments be retained at this time.

**CARRIED 8/1817–02/02/2016**

Moved: Alderman Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded:

2. THAT Council approves the proposed detour to the Quest Apartments at an estimated cost of \$60,000.

**MOTION LAPSED FOR WANT OF A SECONDER**

Moved: Alderman Bunker  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor McKinnon

3. THAT Council approve a project construction budget for The Boulevard Stage 2 of \$4,571,500 comprised of:
  - a. \$2,731,648 in external funding;
  - b. \$1,839,852 drawn from the infrastructure reserve

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

Upon dividing, six members voted in the affirmative, one member voted in the negative.

Members Voting in the Affirmative

Alderman Carter  
Alderman Shutt  
Alderman Byrne  
Alderman Bunker  
Mayor Abbott  
Deputy Mayor McKinnon

Members Voting in the Negative

Alderman Pascoe-Bell

The Chair declared the motion CARRIED 8/1818–02/02/2016

*Alderman Shutt left Chambers at 7.54pm*

### **11.3 Community, Culture and Environment**

Nil

## **12. INFORMATION AGENDA**

*Alderman Shutt returned to Chambers at 7.56pm*

### **12.1 Items for Exclusion**

Nil

### **12.2 Receipt of Information Reports**

Moved: Deputy Mayor McKinnon

Seconded: Alderman Pascoe-Bell

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

**CARRIED 8/1819–02/02/2016**

The Chair invited the Chief Executive Officer, Director of Technical Services and Director of Corporate and Community Services to provide a verbal update on the outstanding matters contained within the Action Report.

*Officers provided a verbal report to the meeting and answered questions from the Elected Members.*

## **13. DEBATE AGENDA**

### **13.1 Officer Reports**

#### **13.1.1 Discharge of Statutory Charge**

**8/0812**

Moved: Alderman Pascoe-Bell

Seconded: Alderman Byrne

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0812.
2. THAT the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer be authorised to sign and seal the application to discharge statutory charges on assessment 111070.

**CARRIED 8/1820–02/02/2016**

**13.1.2 Appointment of Chair to the Committees of Council 2016/17 8/0813**

Moved: Alderman Pascoe-Bell

Seconded: Alderman Shutt

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0813.

**CARRIED 8/1821–02/02/2016**

Moved: Alderman Pascoe-Bell

Seconded: Alderman Shutt

2. THAT Deputy Mayor McKinnon be appointed as Chair to the Community, Culture and Environment Committee for a 12 month term, taking effect on 18 February 2016.

**CARRIED 8/1822–02/02/2016**

Moved: Alderman Shutt

Seconded: Alderman Carter

3. THAT Alderman Bunker be appointed as Chair to the Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee for a 12 month term, taking effect on 18 February 2016.

**CARRIED 8/1823–02/02/2016**

Moved: Alderman Bunker

Seconded: Alderman Shutt

4. THAT Alderman Byrne be appointed as Chair to the Governance and Organisation Committee for a 12 month term, taking effect on 18 February 2016.

**CARRIED 8/1824–02/02/2016**

**13.1.3 City of Palmerston By-Election 2015**

**8/0814**

Moved: Alderman Bunker  
Seconded: Alderman Carter

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0814.
2. THAT The Chief Executive Officer complete the Election Evaluation Form.
3. THAT Council inform the Northern Territory Electoral Commission that it will not be pursuing the issuing of infringement notices to those registered voters who failed to vote in the City of Palmerston By-Election held on 31 October 2015.

**CARRIED 8/1825–02/02/2016**

**13.1.4 Power to Sell Land – Various Assessments**

**8/0815**

Moved: Deputy Mayor McKinnon  
Seconded: Alderman Shutt

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0815.

**CARRIED 8/1826–02/02/2016**

Moved: Alderman Carter  
Seconded: Alderman Bunker

2. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for Assessment 102203.
3. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for Assessment 102240.
5. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for Assessment 102904.
6. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for Assessment 103673.
7. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for Assessment 104822.
8. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for Assessment 105922.
9. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for Assessment 107218.

10. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for Assessment 109145.
11. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for Assessment 109310.
12. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for Assessment 110727.
13. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for Assessment 111296.
14. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for Assessment 113402.
15. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for Assessment 104397.
16. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for Assessment 106248.
17. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for Assessment 103945.
18. THAT Council approves the recommended process of power of sale of land for non-payment of rates for Assessment 108514.
19. THAT the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer be authorised to sign and seal all documentation in relation to the above mentioned properties, including discharge of statutory charges if full payment should occur.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8/1827-02/02/2016**

**14. CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil

**15. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE**

Nil

**16. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

*At the invitation of the Chair*

The Chair answered questions from the public relating to The Boulevard Stage 2 and the proposed detour to Quest Apartments, and took on notice questions relating to the current roadway to Quest Apartments and the impact of development on rates in this and future year budgets.

**17. OTHER BUSINESS - ALDERMAN REPORTS**

**17.1 Alderman Bunker – Palmerston RSL**

The Palmerston RSL is seeking to have the cenotaph lit and have been asked to speak with Council.

A member of the community is seeking to hold a movie night in Goyder Square on 4 May 2016 and has been referred to the Director of Corporate and Community Services.

**17.2 Deputy Mayor McKinnon**

A Community Consultation forum regarding social infrastructure in Palmerston will be held 12 February 2016.

**18. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS**

Nil

**19. CLOSURE**

Meeting closed at 8.37pm

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(Chair)