CITY OF PALMERSTON

Minutes of Council Meeting
held at Palm A Meeting Room, Rydges Palmerston
15 Maluka Drive, Palmerston
on Tuesday 19 July 2016 at 6.30pm.

Mayor Ian Abbott
Chair

Any member of Council who may have a conflict of interest, or a possible conflict of interest in regard to any item of business to be discussed at a Council meeting or a Committee meeting should declare that conflict of interest to enable Council to manage the conflict and resolve it in accordance with its obligations under the Local Government Act and its policies regarding the same.

Audio Disclaimer
An audio recording of this meeting is being made for minute taking purposes as authorised by City of Palmerston Policy MEE3 Recording of Meetings, available on Council's Website.

1 PRESENT

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

Staff:  
Ricki Bruhn, Chief Executive Officer
Ben Dornier, Director of Corporate and Community Services
Gerard Rosse, Acting Director of Technical Services
Alyce Breed, Minute Secretary
Gary Boyle, Major Projects Officer

Gallery:  
Mike Schokman, Director, Costojic Pty Ltd
Hermanus Louw, Development Manager, Costojic Pty Ltd
Lauren Roberts, NT News

2 APOLOGIES

Alderman Andrew Byrne – Apology

ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Moved:  
Deputy Mayor Shutt
Seconded:  
Alderman McKinnon

THAT the apology received from Alderman Byrne be received and granted.

CARRIED 8/2122 – 19/07/2016
CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved: Alderman Carter
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Shutt

1. THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting held Tuesday, 5 July 2016 pages 8626 to 8632, be confirmed.

2. THAT the Confidential minutes of the Council Meeting held Tuesday, 5 July 2016 pages 243 to 244, be confirmed.

3. THAT the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held Monday, 11 July 2016 pages 8633 to 8634, be confirmed.

CARRIED 8/2123 – 19/07/2016

MAYOR'S REPORT

Moved: Deputy Mayor Shutt
Seconded: Alderman Pascoe-Bell

THAT Council receives Report Number M8-25.

CARRIED 8/2124 – 19/07/2016

REPORT OF DELEGATES

Nil.

QUESTIONS (WITHOUT DEBATE) FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil.

QUESTIONS (WITHOUT DEBATE) FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN

Nil.

PETITIONS

Nil.

DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

9.1 Zucoli Aspire - Update
Presentation by Mike Schokman, Director and Hermanus Louw, Development Manager, of Costojic Pty Ltd.

CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil.
11 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

11.1 Governance and Organisation

Moved: Alderman McKinnon
Seconded: Alderman Bunker

THAT the minutes from the Governance and Organisation Committee meeting held on 14 July 2016, be received and noted and that Council adopts the recommendations made by the Committee and accordingly resolves as follows:-

11.1.1 Review FIN10 Fraud Protection Plan Policy

THAT Council adopt the amended FIN10 Fraud Protection Plan Policy.

11.1.2 Review RS01 Works on Council Verge

THAT Council adopt the amended RS01 Works on Council Verge with the review period to be extended to four (4) years.

CARRIED 8/2125 – 19/07/2016

11.2 Economic Development and Infrastructure

Moved: Alderman Bunker
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Shutt

THAT the minutes from the Economic Development and Infrastructure meeting held on 14 July 2016, be received and noted and that Council adopts the recommendations made by the Committee and accordingly resolves as follows:-

11.2.1 City Centre Car Parking

1. THAT Council notes:
   a. The existing and required number of disabled car parking bays; and
   b. More utilised disabled car parking bays in the vicinity of the post office and Civic Plaza.

2. THAT Council approves removing 3 disabled car parking bays from the Civic Plaza car park and 2 disabled car parking bays from the Five Ash Land car park.

3. THAT Council endorses opening a discussion with the NT Government regarding the use of vacant crown land Lot 10027, and the owner of Lot 4273 and other vacant lots for use as formal car parking in the Palmerston City Centre.

CARRIED 8/2126 – 19/07/2016
11.3 Community Culture and Environment

Moved: Mr McKinnon
Seconded: Mr Carter

THAT the minutes from the Community Culture and Environment meeting held on 6 July 2016, be received and noted and that Council adopts the recommendations made by the Committee and accordingly resolves as follows:-

11.3.1 Navy Week Reception

THAT Council approve $2,500 to host a reception to celebrate Navy Week 2016.

11.3.2 Smoke Free Council Events

THAT Council approves the request for all Council events to be promoted as smoke free events.

11.3.3 Financial Support – Ark Aid Inc.

THAT Council approve the grant to Ark Aid Inc. to the value of $10,000.

11.3.4 Breastfeeding Friendly Places

THAT Council pledges to make all City of Palmerston buildings breastfeeding friendly spaces and agree to promote and support other facilities around Palmerston to do the same.

CARRIED 8/2127 – 19/07/2016

12 INFORMATION AGENDA

12.1 Items for Exclusion

Nil.

12.2 Receipt of Information Reports

Moved: Mr Carter
Seconded: Mr Pascoe-Bell

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

CARRIED 8/2128 – 19/07/2016
13.1 Officer Reports

13.1.1 Request to Extinguish Drainage Easement Lot 12825  8/0927

Moved: Alderman Bunker  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Shutt

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0927.
2. THAT Council agree to extinguish the drainage easement over lot 12825 at no cost to Council.
3. THAT the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer be granted consent to sign and seal all documentation required to extinguish the drainage easement over lot 12825, Town of Palmerston.

CARRIED 8/2129 – 19/07/2016

13.1.2 2016 Compliance Review Report  8/0930

Moved: Alderman Bunker  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Shutt

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0930.
2. THAT the Chief Executive Officer address the recommended remedial actions and minor items contained in the 2016 Compliance Review Report to the satisfaction of the Department of Local Government and Community Services.
3. THAT the Chief Executive Officer report back to Council on all actions taken to address the issues contained in the Compliance Review Report.

CARRIED 8/2130 – 19/07/2016

13.1.3 Review FIN25 Rating Policy  8/0932

Moved: Alderman Pascoe-Bell  
Seconded: Alderman Bunker

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0932.
2. THAT Council adopt the amended FIN25 Rating Policy.

CARRIED 8/2131 – 19/07/2016
13.1.4 Financial Report for the Month of June 2016 8/0933

Moved: Alderman Pascoe-Bell
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Shutt

THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0933.

CARRIED 8/2132 – 19/07/2016

13.1.5 Christmas and New Year Meeting Dates 2016/2017 8/0938

Moved: Alderman Carter
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Shutt

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0938.

2. That the December 2016 meeting of Council be held on Tuesday 13 December 2016 and the January 2017 meeting of Council be held on 17 January 2016 in lieu of the currently scheduled monthly meetings.

3. THAT the December 2016 Governance and Organisation and Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee meetings be held on Thursday 1 December 2016.

4. THAT a public notice be provided of the changes to meeting dates.

CARRIED 8/2133 – 19/07/2016

13.1.6 Master Plan Logo 8/0940

Moved: Alderman Bunker
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Shutt

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0940.

2. THAT Council adopt the logo "Palmerston City Centre Master Plan" for use in Council media collateral, and for use by others to indicate support of the Palmerston City Centre Master Plan.

CARRIED 8/2134 – 19/07/2016

13.1.7 Fees and Charges 2016/2017 8/0941

Moved: Alderman McKinnon
Seconded: Alderman Carter

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0941.

2. THAT Council adopts the schedule of Fees and Charges for 2016/2017.

CARRIED 8/2135 – 19/07/2016
14 CORRESPONDENCE

14.1 Palmerston Division of the Development Consent Authority Appointment

Moved: Deputy Mayor Shutt
Seconded: Alderman Carter

THAT Council receives correspondence from The Hon David Tollner, Minister for Lands and Planning – Palmerston Division of the Development Consent Authority Appointment.

CARRIED 8/2136 – 19/07/2016

15 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

16 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

At the invitation of the Chair

17 OTHER BUSINESS

17.1 Disabled Car Parking Report

Moved: Alderman Pascoe-Bell
Seconded: Alderman McKinnon

THAT a report be presented to the Economic Development and Infrastructure (EDI) Committee identifying the existing and required disabled car parking for the Australia Post Mail Delivery Centre.

CARRIED 8/2137 – 19/07/2016

ADJOURNMENT

Moved: Alderman Bunker
Seconded: Alderman McKinnon

THAT the meeting be adjourned for approximately 5 minutes.

CARRIED 8/2138 – 19/07/2016

The meeting adjourned at 8.04 pm.
RECONVENED

Moved: Alderman Carter
Seconded: Alderman McKinnon

THAT the meeting be reconvened.

CARRIED 8/2139 – 19/07/2016

The meeting reconvened at 8:08pm

CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

18.1 Financial Hardship Application Assessment 110371

1. THAT pursuant to Section 65 of the Local Government Act, Council orders that the public be excluded from the meeting with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, Director of Corporate and Community Services, Acting Director of Technical Services and Minute Secretary on the basis that Council considers it necessary and appropriate to act in a manner closed to the public in order to receive, discuss and consider the report and associated documents in relation to confidential agenda item 18.1 Financial Hardship Application Assessment 110371 and that Council is satisfied that the meeting should be conducted in a place open to the public is outweighed in relation to the matter because receiving, considering and discussing the report and associated documentation involves:

(b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer;

This item is considered confidential pursuant to Regulation 8 (b) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations.

2. THAT Council orders that the minutes from the Confidential Council meeting held on 19 July 2016, in relation to confidential item number 18.1 Financial Hardship Application Assessment 110371, the report and associated documents remain confidential and not available for public inspection for a period of 12 months from the date of this meeting or a lesser period as determined by the Chief Executive Officer.

18.2 Financial Hardship Application Assessment 105531

1. THAT pursuant to Section 65 of the Local Government Act, Council orders that the public be excluded from the meeting with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, Director of Corporate and Community Services, Acting Director of Technical Services and Minute Secretary on the basis that Council considers it necessary and appropriate to act in a manner closed to the public in order to receive, discuss and consider the report and associated documents in relation to confidential agenda item 18.2 Financial Hardship Application Assessment 105531 and that Council is satisfied that the meeting should be conducted in a place open to the public is outweighed in relation to the matter because receiving, considering and discussing the report and associated documentation involves:

(b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer;

This item is considered confidential pursuant to Regulation 8 (b) of the Local Government
2. THAT Council orders that the minutes from the Confidential Council meeting held on 19 July 2016, in relation to confidential item number 18.2 Financial Hardship Application Assessment 105531, the report and associated documents remain confidential and not available for public inspection for a period of 12 months from the date of this meeting or a lesser period as determined by the Chief Executive Officer.

18.3 Financial Hardship Application Assessment 101542

1. THAT pursuant to Section 65 of the Local Government Act, Council orders that the public be excluded from the meeting with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, Director of Corporate and Community Services, Acting Director of Technical Services and Minute Secretary on the basis that Council considers it necessary and appropriate to act in a manner closed to the public in order to receive, discuss and consider the report and associated documents in relation to confidential agenda item 18.3 Financial Hardship Application Assessment 101542 and that Council is satisfied that the meeting should be conducted in a place open to the public is outweighed in relation to the matter because receiving, considering and discussing the report and associated documentation involves:

(b) information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer;

This item is considered confidential pursuant to Regulation 8 (b) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations.

2. THAT Council orders that the minutes from the Confidential Council meeting held on 19 July 2016, in relation to confidential item number 18.3 Financial Hardship Application Assessment 101542, the report and associated documents remain confidential and not available for public inspection for a period of 12 months from the date of this meeting or a lesser period as determined by the Chief Executive Officer.

18.4 Baton Relay

1. THAT pursuant to Section 65 of the Local Government Act, Council orders that the public be excluded from the meeting with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, Director of Corporate and Community Services, Acting Director of Technical Services and Minute Secretary on the basis that Council considers it necessary and appropriate to act in a manner closed to the public in order to receive, discuss and consider the report and associated documents in relation to confidential agenda item 18.4 Baton Relay and that Council is satisfied that the meeting should be conducted in a place open to the public is outweighed in relation to the matter because receiving, considering and discussing the report and associated documentation involves:

(e) information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential.

This item is considered confidential pursuant to Regulation 8 (e) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations.

2. THAT Council orders that the minutes from the Confidential Council meeting held on 19 July 2016, in relation to confidential item number 18.4 Baton Relay, the report and associated documents remain confidential and not available for public inspection for a period of 2 years from the date of this meeting or a lesser period as determined by the Chief Executive Officer.
The meeting moved into the Confidential Session at 8:09pm.

18.5 Moving decisions from the Confidential Session into the Open Session

In accordance with the resolutions of Council, the following decisions from the Confidential Session are moved into the Open Session:

Financial Hardship Application Assessment 110371 8/0934

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0934.

2. THAT Council approves remission of interest for the period 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017 for assessment 110371 under the conditions of the rates concession policy FIN17.

3. THAT the resolutions only come back to the open session.

Financial Hardship Application Assessment 105531 8/0935

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0935.

2. THAT Council approves remission of interest for the period 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017 for assessment 105531 under the conditions of the rates concession policy FIN17.

3. THAT the resolutions only come back to the open session.

Financial Hardship Application Assessment 101542 8/0936

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0936.

2. THAT Council approves remission of interest for the period 30 May 2016 to 30 June 2017 for assessment 101542 under the conditions of the rates concession policy FIN17.

3. THAT the resolutions only come back to the open session.

CLOSURE

Meeting closed at 9.09pm