CITY OF PALMERSTON

Minutes of Council Meeting
held in Council Chambers, Civic Plaza, Palmerston
on Tuesday, 17 March 2015 at 6.30pm

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1. PRESENT

Elected Members:  His Worship the Mayor Ian Abbott (Chair)
Deputy Mayor Heather Malone
Alderman Geoff Carter
Alderman Paul Bunker
Alderman Andrew Byrne
Alderman Sue McKinnon
Alderman Seranna Shutt

Staff:  Ricki Bruhn, Chief Executive Officer
Mark Spangler, Director of Technical Services
Silke Reinhardt, Finance Manager
Alyce Breed, Minute Secretary

Gallery:  Gerard Rosse, Strategic Planner
Jan Peters, Community Development Manager
Gary Boyle, Major Projects Officer

2. APOLOGIES

Nil

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved:  Alderman Carter
Seconded:  Alderman Shutt

1. THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting held Tuesday, 3 March 2015 pages 7910 to 7913, be confirmed.

2. THAT the minutes of the special council meeting held Tuesday, 3 March 2015 pages 7908 to 7909 be confirmed.

CARRIED 8/1435–17/03/2015

4. MAYOR’S REPORT

Nil
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
Nil

8. PETITIONS
Nil

9. DEPUTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS
Nil

10. CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

10.1 City of Palmerston FIN20 Borrowing Policy

Moved: Alderman McKinnon
Seconded: Alderman Shutt

THAT the sentence “City of Palmerston will only borrow money for the purpose of procurement of an income generating asset.” be removed from City of Palmerston FIN20 Borrowing Policy.

CARRIED 8/1436–17/03/2015

10.2 Sale of Lot 9542

Moved: Alderman McKinnon
Seconded: Alderman Carter

THAT Lot 9542 be released to the market for sale, and the CEO bring all offers for purchase to Council for approval.

MOTION WITHDRAWN
MEETING PROCEDURES

Suspension of Standing Orders

Moved: Deputy Mayor Malone
Seconded: Alderman Bunker

THAT Standing Orders be suspended to allow for open discussion

CARRIED 8/1437–17/03/2015

Standing orders were suspended at 7.08pm

Reinstatement of Standing Orders

Moved: Alderman Carter
Seconded: Alderman McKinnon

THAT Standing Orders be reinstated.

CARRIED 8/1438–17/03/2015

Standing orders were reinstated at 7.27pm

10.3 Notice to Rescind Resolution Number 8/1386-13/01/2015

Moved: Alderman McKinnon
Seconded: Alderman Carter

THAT Council rescind Resolution Number 8/1386, which states the following:

- THAT the Chief Executive Officer be delegated authority to commence an open tender process for The Boulevard Redevelopment Stage 2 and the Goyder Square Redevelopment Stage 2 once design work is finalised.
- THAT Council seeks to complete The Boulevard Redevelopment Stage 2 and Goyder Square Redevelopment Stage 2 projects during the 2015 calendar year.

Alderman Bunker called for a division – as a consequence the result of the above decision was set aside.

Upon dividing, five members voted in the affirmative, two members voted in the negative.

Members Voting in the Affirmative

Mayor Abbott
Deputy Mayor Malone  
Alderman McKinnon  
Alderman Shutt  
Alderman Carter  

Members Voting in the Negative  

Alderman Byrne  
Alderman Bunker  

The Mayor declared the MOTION CARRIED  

CARRIED 8/1439–17/03/2015  

10.4 Policy MEE3 - Committees of Council  

Moved: Alderman McKinnon  
Seconded: Alderman Shutt  

THAT Policy MEE02 be amended by including the following new clause:  

4.1.4 That the annual appointment of Chairs to the three standing Committees of Council take place as follows:  

• The nomination period for Chair of the three Standing Committees shall open on the 1st December each year;  
• The Chief Executive Officer shall advise all Elected Members when the nomination period opens and invite Expressions of Interest for the position of Chair;  
• Expressions of Interest will close on the date of the first Ordinary Council Meeting to be held in January each year;  
• After the closing date for the Expressions of Interest, the Chief Executive Officer shall provide details of the Expressions of Interest received to all Elected Members;  
• At the first Ordinary Council Meeting in February each year, a report will be presented advising that the appointment of Chairs to the three Standing Committees is required;  
• Each Elected Member who has nominated for the position of Chair of a Committee is invited to make a short verbal presentation in support of their nomination;  
• Voting for a Chair of a Standing Committee is by a show of hands, unless the meeting resolves that a secret ballot is to be used;  
• The 12 month term as a Chair of a Standing Committee commences on 19th February each year and is completed on 18th February in the following year.  

CARRIED 8/1440–17/03/2015
11. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

11.1 Governance and Organisation

Moved: Alderman Byrne
Seconded: Alderman Carter

THAT the minutes from the Governance and Organisation Committee meeting held on 12 March 2015 be received and noted and that Council adopts the recommendations made by the Committee and accordingly resolves as follows:

11.1.1 Consultant for Risk and Insurance Assessment GOC/0175

THAT Council approves the engagement of the consultant for the review of risk exposure and insurance strategy.

CARRIED 8/1441–17/03/2015

11.2 Economic Development and Infrastructure

Moved: Alderman Bunker
Seconded: Alderman Carter

THAT the minutes from the Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 12 March 2015 be received and noted and that Council adopts the recommendations with the exclusion of 11.2.3 made by the Committee and accordingly resolves as follows:

11.2.1 Proposed amendment to the NT Planning Scheme to rezone the Road Reserve adjacent to Lots 7765 and 11037 (5 and 11) Yarrawonga Road, Yarrawonga from Zone M (Main Road) and Zone PM (Proposed Main Road) to Zone SC (Service Commercial) EDI/0284

THAT Attachment A to Report Number EDI/146 be endorsed.

11.2.2 Capital Works for Disability Access for 2014/15 EDI/0286

THAT Council approve disability access improvement works for the following sites:
   a. Allumar Park
   b. Dunbar Park
   c. Wright Crescent
   d. Gordon Scott Park, South
   e. Gordon Scott Park, North
   f. Frenella Park
   g. Livistonia Park
   h. Bowman Park
   i. Prism Park
11.2.4 Civic Centre Signage

THAT $20,000 for the design, manufacture and installation of signage be provided for in the 2015/16 budget.

CARRIED 8/1442–17/03/2015

11.2.3 The Boulevard Stage 2 – Project Update and Risks

Moved: Alderman Bunker
Seconded: Alderman Byrne

THAT the Boulevard Stage 2 Project proceed immediately to open tender should Council identify funding in its draft budget for 2015/2016.

CARRIED 8/1443–17/03/2015

11.3 Community Culture and Environment

Moved: Deputy Mayor Malone
Seconded: Alderman McKinnon

THAT the minutes from the Community, Culture and Environment Committee meeting held on 4 March 2015 be received and noted and that Council adopts the recommendations made by the Committee with the exclusion of 11.3.1 and 11.3.2 and accordingly resolves as follows:

11.3.3 Installation of Defibrillators in Council Facilities

THAT Council approve the purchase of 6 Automated External Defibrillators (AED’s) from St John Ambulance to the value of $13,800 for installation in Palmerston Library, Palmerston Recreation Centre, Gray Community Hall, Driver Resource Centre and Joy Anderson Centre.

CARRIED 8/1444–17/03/2015

11.3.1 Hard Waste Collection

Moved: Deputy Mayor Malone
Seconded: Alderman Carter

THAT Council approve a Hard Waste Clean Up to be carried out in May 2015, the cost of which would be addressed at the 3rd budget review 2014/15.

MOTION LOST
11.3.2 Community Work Program Partnership with City of Palmerston Library

Moved: Deputy Mayor Malone
Seconded: Alderman Carter

THAT Council approves a partnership between City of Palmerston Library and the Department of Corrections for the purposes of a community work program.

CARRIED 8/1445–17/03/2015

12. INFORMATION AGENDA

12.1 Items for Exclusion

Nil

12.2 Receipt of Information Report

Moved: Alderman Carter
Seconded: Alderman McKinnon

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

CARRIED 8/1446–17/03/2015

13. DEBATE AGENDA

13.1 Officer Reports


Moved: Alderman Byrne
Seconded: Alderman Shutt

THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0632.

CARRIED 8/1447–17/03/2015
13.1.2 Variation to Liquor Licence for ANZAC Day (25 April 2015) on Lot 6594 (3) Maluka Drive, Palmerston (Palmerston Sports Club) 8/0634

Moved: Alderman Bunker
Seconded: Alderman Carter

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0634.
2. THAT Council supports the annual variation to Liquor Licence on Lot 6594 (3) Maluka Drive for ANZAC Day as shown in Attachment A to Report Number 8/0634

CARRIED 8/1448–17/03/2015

13.1.3 Conservation and Land Management Scholarship Selection Panel – Council Representative 8/0635

Moved: Alderman Shutt
Seconded: Alderman Carter

1. THAT Council receives Report Number 8/0635.

CARRIED 8/1449–17/03/2015

Moved: Alderman Shutt
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Malone

2. THAT Alderman McKinnon is the City of Palmerston representative on the Charles Darwin University Selection Panel for the 2015 City of Palmerston Conservation and Land Management Scholarship.

CARRIED 8/1450–17/03/2015

Moved: Alderman Shutt
Seconded: Alderman Bunker

3. THAT the Chair of the Community, Culture and Environment Committee is nominated as the annual Council Representative on future City of Palmerston Conservation and Land Management Scholarship Selection Panels.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8/1451–17/03/2015

13.1.4 Proposed Irrigation Team and Depot Supervisor 8/0636

Moved: Alderman Shutt
Seconded: Alderman McKinnon

1. THAT Council receives and notes Report Number 8/0636.

CARRIED 8/1452–17/03/2015
13.1.4 Proposed Irrigation Team and Depot Supervisor (continued) 8/0636

Moved: Alderman Carter
Seconded: Alderman Shutt

2. THAT the Chief Executive Officer include in the draft 2015/16 budget provision for 2 irrigation plumbing staff, a depot supervisor, a small excavator and trailer, a twin cab utility and a small tip truck.

CARRIED 8/1453–17/03/2015

14. CORRESPONDENCE

14.1 Local Area Traffic Management program

Moved: Alderman McKinnon
Seconded: Alderman Carter

THAT Council receives correspondence dated 5 March 2015 from the Minister for Transport in relation to Local Area Traffic Management program.

CARRIED 8/1454–17/03/2015

15. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

At the invitation of the Chair

Nil

16. OTHER BUSINESS - ALDERMAN REPORTS

16.1 The Boulevard Stage 2

Moved: Alderman Bunker
Seconded: Alderman Byrne

1. THAT the Chief Executive Officer be delegated authority to commence an open tender process for Goyder Square Redevelopment Stage 2 once design work is finalised.

2. THAT Council seeks to complete Goyder Square Redevelopment Stage 2 project during the 2015 calendar year.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8/1455–17/03/2015
16.2 Community Work Program Partnership with City of Palmerston Library

Moved: Alderman McKinnon
Seconded: Alderman Carter

THAT the Chief Executive Officer invite a representative from the Corrections Department to address Council on Community work placement program.

CARRIED 8/1456–17/03/2015

17. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Nil

18. CLOSURE

Meeting closed at 9.10 pm

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(Chair)