



MINUTES

Special Meeting of Council

Thursday, 29 June 2023

Council Chambers,
Civic Centre, Stuart Highway, Katherine

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

WE WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT **THIS MEETING IS BEING HELD ON THE TRADITIONAL LANDS OF THE FIRST NATIONS** PEOPLE OF THE KATHERINE TOWNSHIP AND SURROUNDING COUNCIL COMMUNITIES. WE RECOGNISE THE FIRST NATIONS CULTURE AS ONE OF THE LONGEST SURVIVING CULTURES IN THE WORLD AND WE PAY OUR RESPECTS TO ELDERS BOTH PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE.

2 OPENING PRAYER

Grant O God to this Council wisdom, understanding and sincerity of purpose in the Governance of this Municipality. Amen

3 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

Mayor Elisabeth Clark declared the meeting open at 2.04pm.

4 ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4.1 ATTENDANCE

ELECTED MEMBERS

- Mayor Elisabeth Clark (Chair)
- Deputy Mayor Denis Coburn
- Councillor Maddy Bower (via video conference)
- Councillor Amanda Kingdon
- Councillor Jeremy Trembath

OFFICERS

- Ms Ingrid Stonhill – Chief Executive Officer
- Ms Rosemary Jennings – Director Community Services
- Mr Brendan Pearce – Director Infrastructure and Environment
- Amanda Haigh – Governance and Executive Officer (minute taker)
- Staff - 31

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4.2 APOLOGIES

Director of Corporate Services

4.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

Mayor reminded elected members of obligation to declare any conflict of interest.

NIL

6 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

6.1 DECLARATION OF RATES AND CHARGES 2023-24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

SCM-060-2023

Moved: Councillor Trembath

Seconded: Councillor Kingdon

1. That Council acknowledges the Chief Executive Officer, certified the Certification of Assessment Record as true and accurate record.
2. That Council declare:
 - (a) Items 1 to 7 in the attached Declaration of Rates and Waste Charges 2023/24 for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2024, pursuant to Section 237 and 238 of the *Local Government Act 2019*; and
3. That Council approve the amended Rating Strategy and Policy, version seven (7).

CARRIED 5/0

6.2 MUNICIPAL PLAN 2023-2024

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

SCM-061-2023

Moved: Deputy Mayor Coburn

Seconded: Councillor Trembath

1. That Council resolve to fix council member allowances 2023/2024 as 100% as per the Northern Territory of Australia Remuneration Tribunal's Determination of Allowances for Members of Local Government Councils
2. That Council adopt the Budget for 2023/2024.
3. That Council adopt the Municipal Plan for 2023/2024.
4. That Council adopt the Fees and Charges for 2023/2024.

CARRIED 5/0

Council thanked the CEO and Staff for the effort creating a great document.

7 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 2.25pm.