

Summary of Major Items

Event: Ordinary Council Meeting
Date: Friday 9 October, 2015
Location: Alice Springs Council Chambers

Item No.	Council Decision	Notes
7.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES	Notes and receives the minutes of Local Authorities.	Anmatjere, Atitjere, Lajamanu, Laramba, Nyirripi, Willowra, Yuelamu, and Yuendumu LA minutes were tabled.
8.1 ABANDONED CARS IN COMMUNITY	That Council: 1. Note the recommendation from the Anmatjere Local Authority; and 2. Adopt the Abandoned Vehicle Policy with effective date 1 January, 2016; and 3. Recommend the Policy is circulated to community members and Local Authorities immediately.	In response to the Anmatjere Local Authority advice to deal with abandoned cars; the Council has adopted an Abandoned Vehicle Policy to provide guidance to Council Officers in dealing with abandoned vehicles on Council roads and in community.
8.2 COMMUNITY SAFETY PATROL AND MORNING SCHOOL PROGRAM	That Council: 1. Note the recommendations from Willowra and Yuelamu Local Authorities; 2. Note the recommendation from the Willowra Local Authority that Cecilia Martin and Alex Long as suitable as interim Willowra Community Safety Patrol Officers; 3. Investigate options to provide a 'Yellow Shirt' type program in Willowra; and 4. Investigate options to provide a morning program in all communities to assist in getting children to school.	The Council noted advice from Willowra and Yuelamu Local Authorities regarding Night Patrol operations in community. Council also recommended the Officers investigate options to provide a morning school attendance program to get children to school in all communities.
8.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP	That Council: 1. Note the recommendations from Nyirripi and Yuendumu;	The Council will thank out-going members of Local Authorities and open nominations for all remaining positions to ensure active and engaged Local

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Write a letter thanking members for their contribution; 3. Revoke the membership of members who have not performed as per the Local Authority Policy; and 4. Open nominations for all available positions on Local Authorities. 	Authority members.
9.2 STRATEGY TO ADDRESS DRINKING AND DRUG ABUSE IN COMMUNITIES	That Council work with the NT Police and other relevant agencies to develop a strategy to address the increased levels of drinking, drug use and domestic violence in communities.	The Council plans to work with authorities to reduce drinking and drug abuse by utilising Local Authorities and other Council supported services to assist.
10.4 COUNCIL POLICY REVIEW	That Council adopt the following policies: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Investment Policy; 2. Borrowing Policy; 3. Fraud Protection Policy; and 4. General Debtors Policy 	Council reviews and adopts policies as required.
10.6 REVISIONS TO GUIDELINE 8 (LOCAL AUTHORITIES)	That Council note the draft Guideline 8 and approve feedback to the Department of Local Government as outlined in the agenda item.	Council officers have reviewed legislative drafts and will provide feedback.
10.7 ADVICE FROM DEPARTMENT REGARDING CONFLICT OF INTEREST	That Council note the correspondence from the Department of Local Government and Community Services regarding Conflict of Interest obligations and adopt the Conflict of Interest Policy tabled.	A new Conflict of Interest Policy has been tabled that sets out requirements for Councillors and Staff of the Council.
10.8 BUDGET VARIATIONS	That Council approve the budget variations to the following services as outlined in the attached revised budget: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Local Road Maintenance; 2. Aged and Disability 	Budget variations are approved when new financial information is presented to the Council.

	<p>Services;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Children's Services (School Nutrition); 4. Outstation Services; 5. Community Development Program (formerly CDP); 6. Road Upgrade and Construction; 7. Capital Project Management; and 8. Revenue Growth. 	
S.1 RESPONSIBILITIES FOR MORGUE MANAGEMENT	<p>That Council clarify that their position on the responsibility for the management of morgues in the CDRC region is as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Council does not recognise a formal responsibility for morgue management; 2. Council will undertake repairs and maintenance and monitor operations if funded to do so; 3. Council will NOT undertake operational management or handle bodies; and 4. Council will seek full cost recovery for operational expenses through users of the morgue. 	<p>The Council have developed a definitive position on morgues stating that Council will not take responsibility of morgue management.</p>
12.2 SUPPORT FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM	<p>That Council note the current NO MORE campaign to stop family and domestic violence and approve Council's public support for the campaign</p>	<p>Council notes and approves public support for the NO MORE campaign.</p>
S.2 INCREASE IN AGED CARE CLIENT CONTRIBUTION FEE	<p>That Council approve an increase to the Client Reimbursement Fee charged to Aged Care Program clients from \$90.00 per fortnight to \$140.00 per fortnight</p>	<p>This is the first increase in aged care fees in seven years.</p>
13.2 UPGRADE OF LOT 65 NYIRRIPI STAFF HOUSE	<p>That Council allocate up to \$120,000 (ex gst) to upgrade Lot 65 Nyirripi staff house to a</p>	<p>Council has insufficient staff housing in Nyirripi – Lot 65 will be sub-divided into a duplex.</p>

	duplex.	
13.5 TENDER APPROVAL FOR NDRRA ROAD RECONSTRUCTION AT ENGAWALA, IRRILIRRE, AND TI TREE	That Council approve the entry into contract with MKT Civil Pty Ltd for the contract sum of \$702,390.00 (ex gst) to reconstruct flood-damaged roads at Engawala, Irrelirre and Ti Tree (Nturiya Rd).	Public tender has been called for reconstruction of flood-damaged roads.
13.6 DISPOSAL OF COUNCIL VEHICLES	That Council ratify the disposal of Council fleet in 2014/15, above the value of \$20,000 each	Council disposed of five fleet items valued at more than \$20,000 – this requires approval from Council.
15.2 REVISION OF AUDIT AND RISK TERMS OF REFERENCE	That Council adopt the revised Terms of Reference for the Audit and Risk committee that modifies the membership of the Audit and Risk committee from four to three members comprising two Councillors and an independent chair-person.	The Council's Audit and Risk Committee has carried a vacancy – the Terms of Reference have been updated to modify membership from four members to three.
16.1 CESSATION OF NT JOBS PACKAGE OUTSTATION STAFF FUNDING AT 31 DECEMBER, 2015	That Council write to the Northern Territory and Australian Governments expressing grave concerns that the end of NT Jobs Package funding will have a major impact on i) local Indigenous employment; and ii) outstation servicing.	Cessation of the NT Jobs Package will have major impact on Council's Local Indigenous Employment and the health and well-being of outstations.
16.2 MEN'S SHED – SIX MILE	That Council will investigate options for the reopening of the Men's Centre in Six Mile for use as a Men's Shed.	Cr Glenn requested the Council investigate options of utilising the old Men's Centre and fixing it up as a Men's Shed.
20.1 CEO PERFORMANCE REVIEW	That Council: 1. Note the outcomes of the CEO's annual performance review as recorded on the attached CONFIDENTIAL Performance Review - August 2015 and note the consultants' summary that "The CEO has achieved the objectives set by the	The CEO Performance Review Committee meets every six months to review the CEO's performance

	<p>Councillors. The CEO has continued to maintain a strong working relationship with all Councillors and works diligently to achieving community service delivery outcomes.”</p> <p>2. Approve a \$2,000 per annum increase to the CEO’s Total Remuneration Package effective from 8 August 2015.</p>	
<p>20.2 CONTRACT FOR CONSULTANCY TO FACILITATE CEO PERFORMANCE REVIEW</p>	<p>That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Determine that the CEO Performance Review Committee will utilise the services of a consultant to undertake CEO performance reviews on a six monthly basis.; and 2. Appoint McArthur (Michael Archella) to assist the CEO’s Performance Review Committee undertake the CEO’s Performance Review for a period of three years. 	<p>Council appoints a Contract to assist the CEO Performance Review Committee to undertake performance reviews of the CEO for a two year period.</p>