



MINUTES

**Special Meeting of Council
Held on Monday 25 November 2024**

Civic Centre, Council Chambers
24 Stuart Highway, Katherine NT 0850



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 OPENING OF THE MEETING

Mayor Clark declared the Special Meeting of Council - 25 November 2024 open at 3:03 pm.

4 ATTENDANCE

4.1 PRESENT

ELECTED MEMBERS

- Mayor Elisabeth Clark (Chair)
- Deputy Mayor Denis Coburn
- Councillor Maddy Bower
- Councillor Peter McDougall
- Councillor Kerrie Mott
- Councillor Jeremy Trembath

OFFICERS

- Ms Ingrid Stonhill – Chief Executive Officer
- Amanda Haigh – Manager Governance and Risk (minute taker)

4.2 APOLOGIES

Nil

4.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

The Chair reminded members of their responsibility to declare any conflicts of interest.

Nil conflicts declared.

6 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

7 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC



The open meeting was declared closed to the public at 3:05 pm.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Clark; **Seconded:** Councillor McDougall

Members, pursuant with Section 99(2) and 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* gives power to the council to close a meeting to the public to discuss the following confidential items, in relation to matters referred to in regulations 51 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*. This means that all members of the public are now asked to leave the Council Chambers.

I now move a motion to close the meeting to public.

Your Worship, I wish to second that the meeting be closed to public.

Deputy Mayor entered the meeting at 3.14 pm during the Confidential session.

8 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

8.1 MAYORAL BUSINESS

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| Section Under the Act | The grounds on which part or the Council of Committee may be closed to the public are listed in Section 99(2) of the <i>Local Government Act 2019</i> . |
| Sub-clause and Reason: | (c) (iii) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff. |

9 RESUMPTION OF OPEN MEETING

The open meeting resumed at 4:18 pm.

10 CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

The Special Meeting of Council - 25 November 2024 was declared closed at 4:18 pm.