

WEST ARNHEM



REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the West Arnhem Regional Council Special Finance Committee Meeting
Wednesday, 10 November 2021 at 10:00 am
Council Chambers, Jabiru

Chairperson Matthew Ryan declared the meeting open at 10:04 am, welcomed all in attendance and acknowledged the Traditional Owners.

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson	Matthew Ryan (Mayor)
Deputy Mayor	Elizabeth Williams
Councillor	Jacqueline Phillips (videoconference)

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer	Daniel Findley
Chief Corporate Officer	David Glover
Finance Manager	Andrew Shaw
Governance and Risk Advisor	Doreen Alusa (videoconference)

APOLOGIES

3.1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The Committee considered apologies and leave of absence.

The Committee received and noted Elected Member apologies from Councillor Catherine Ralph and Councillor Donna Nadjamerrek for the Special Finance Committee meeting held on 10 November 2021.

ABSENT WITHOUT NOTICE

4.1 ABSENT WITHOUT NOTICE

The Committee considered absences without notice.

The Committee noted that no Elected Members were absent without notice for the Special Finance Committee meeting held on 10 November 2021.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

5.1 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

The Committee considered a report on acceptance of the agenda.

SFC15/2021 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Mayor Matthew Ryan
Seconded Deputy Mayor Elizabeth Williams**

The agenda papers for the Special Finance Committee meeting held on 10 November 2021 as circulated were received for consideration at the meeting.

CARRIED

DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF

6.1 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF

The Committee considered a report on disclosure of interest of members or staff.

The Special Finance Committee received no declarations of interest for the meeting held on 10 November 2021.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

8.1 NORTHERN TERRITORY ELECTORAL COMMISSION NON-VOTER ACTIONS IN WEST ARNHEM

The Committee considered a report on the Northern Territory Electoral Commission (NTEC) non-voter actions in West Arnhem.

SFC16/2021 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Mayor Matthew Ryan
Seconded Deputy Mayor Elizabeth Williams**

The Special Finance Committee directed NTEC not to undertake non-voter actions for the 2021 Local Government elections on Council's behalf.

CARRIED

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

9.1 FINANCE REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2021

The Committee considered the finance report for the period ended 30th September 2021.

SFC17/2021 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Deputy Mayor Elizabeth Williams
Seconded Councillor Jacqueline Phillips**

The Special Finance Committee approved the financial report for the period ended 30th September 2021.

CARRIED

GENERAL ITEMS

13.1 ANNUAL REPORT 2020-2021

The Committee considered the Annual Report 2020-2021.

SFC18/2021 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Councillor Jacqueline Phillips

Seconded Mayor Matthew Ryan

The Special Finance Committee reviewed and adopted the West Arnhem Regional Council Annual Report 2020-2021.

CARRIED

13.2 WARC AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2020-2021 AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT ANALYSIS

The Committee considered a report on WARC audited financial statements 2020-2021 and financial statement analysis.

SFC19/2021 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Mayor Matthew Ryan

Seconded Deputy Mayor Elizabeth Williams

The Special Finance Committee approved the publication and presentation to the Minister of the audited financial statements for the 2020-2021 financial year.

CARRIED

13.3 CALL FOR NOMINATIONS – NORTHERN TERRITORY WATER SAFETY ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Committee considered a call for nominations for the Northern Territory Water Safety Advisory Council.

SFC20/2021 RESOLVED:

On the motion of Mayor Matthew Ryan

Seconded Councillor Jacqueline Phillips

The Special Finance Committee directed Council's administration to:

- 1. Send an email to all Elected Members requesting for a nomination for the Northern Territory Water Safety Advisory Council.**
- 2. If applicable, submit the nominee's name to the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT) for consideration as a member of the Northern Territory Water Safety Advisory Council.**

CARRIED

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS

14.1 CLOSURE TO THE PUBLIC FOR THE DISCUSSION OF CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

The Committee considered the closure of the meeting to the public for the discussion of confidential items.

SFC21/2021 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Mayor Matthew Ryan
Seconded Councillor Jacqueline Phillips**

The Special Finance Committee approved the closure of the meeting to the public as confidential items were about to be discussed. The meeting was closed in accordance with clause 51(c) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* as the matters to be discussed included information that, if publicly disclosed, would be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person; or (ii) prejudice the maintenance or administration of the law; or (iii) prejudice the security of the Council, its members or staff; or (iv) subject to subregulation (3) – prejudice the interests of the Council or some other person.

CARRIED

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

The information is classed as confidential under section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 clause 51 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021.

15.2 DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL RESOLUTIONS AND RE-ADMITTANCE OF THE PUBLIC

The Committee considered the disclosure of confidential resolutions and re-admittance of the public.

SFC22/2021 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Deputy Mayor Elizabeth Williams
Seconded Mayor Matthew Ryan**

The Special Finance Committee opened the meeting to the public after the discussion of confidential items, and approved to disclose selected resolutions from the confidential section of this meeting in the non-confidential meeting minutes.

CARRIED

15.1 WARC AUDIT COMPLETION REPORT 2020-2021

The Committee considered WARC's audit completion report 2020-2021.

The Special Finance Committee noted the external auditors draft audit completion report for the year ended 30 June 2021.

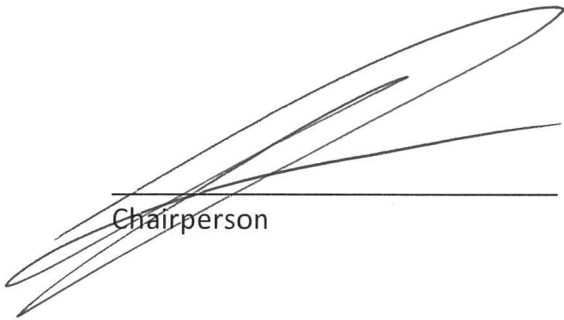
NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, 19 January 2022.

MEETING DECLARED CLOSED

Chairperson Matthew Ryan declared the meeting closed at 11:02 am.

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Chairperson

19/01/2022
Date Confirmed

