



Minutes of the West Arnhem Regional Council Ordinary Council Meeting  
Wednesday, 21 August 2024 at 9:00 am  
Council Chambers

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**1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND OPENING OF MEETING**

**Chairperson Deputy Mayor Williams declared the meeting open at 9:20am, welcomed all in attendance and did an Acknowledgement of Country.**

**ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chairperson	Elizabeth Williams (Deputy Mayor)
Councillor	Mickitja Onus
Councillor	Otto Dann
Councillor	Jacqueline Phillips
Councillor	James Marrawal
Councillor	Jermaine Namanurki
Councillor	Monica Wilton

**STAFF PRESENT**

Chief Executive Officer	Andrew Walsh
Director Community and Council Services	Fiona Ainsworth
Director Finance	Jocelyn Nathanael-Walters
General Manager Technical Services (Acting)	Clem Beard
Information Advisor	Ben Heaslip

### 3 APOLOGIES AND ABSENCES

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>3.1</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Apologies, Leave of Absence and Absent Without Notice</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor</b>

The Council considered a report on Apologies, Leave of Absence and Absent Without Notice.

#### **OCM211/2024 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Cr Onus**

**Seconded Cr Phillips**

1. Notes the absence of Cr Gumurdul, Mayor James Woods, Cr Donna Nadjamerrek, Cr Henry Guwiyul and Cr Ralph Blyth
2. Notes the apology received from Mayor Woods, Councillors Nadjamerrek, Cr Henry Guwiyul and Cr Ralph Blyth.
3. Determines Mayor Woods, Cr Donna Nadjamerrek, Cr Henry Guwiyul and Cr Ralph Blyth are absent with permission of the Council.
4. Determines Cr Gabby Gumurdul is absent without permission of the Council.

**CARRIED**

### 4 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>4.1</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Acceptance of Agenda</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor</b>

The Council considered a report on Acceptance of Agenda.

#### **OCM212/2024 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Deputy Mayor Williams**

**Seconded Cr Onus**

THAT COUNCIL accept the agenda papers as circulated for the Ordinary Council meeting held on 21 August 2024.

**CARRIED**

### 5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>5.1</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Disclosure of Interest of Members or Staff</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor</b>

The Council considered a report on Disclosure of Interest of Members or Staff.

#### **OCM213/2024 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Cr Onus**

**Seconded Cr Phillips**

THAT COUNCIL receive the declarations of interest as listed for the Ordinary Council meeting held on 21 August 2024.

**CARRIED**

### 6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>6.1</b>
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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Confirmation of Ordinary and Special Council Meeting Minutes</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor</b>

The Council considered a report on Confirmation of Ordinary and Special Council Meeting Minutes.

**OCM214/2024 RESOLVED:**  
**On the motion of Cr Namanurki**  
**Seconded Cr Onus**

THAT COUNCIL

1. Confirm the minutes of the 31 July 2024 Ordinary Council meeting as a true and correct record of the meeting.
2. Confirm the minutes of the 31 July 2024 Special Council meeting as a true and correct record of the meeting.

**CARRIED**

## **8 ACTION REPORTS**

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>8.1</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Review of Action Items</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Ben Heaslip, Information Advisor</b>

The Council considered a report on Review of Action Items.

**OCM215/2024 RESOLVED:**  
**On the motion of Deputy Mayor Williams**  
**Seconded Cr Dann**

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive and note the report titled *Review of Action Items*.
2. Review the outstanding action items and give approval for completed items to be removed from the register.
3. Approach West Arnhem stakeholders to support the development of a West Arnhem AFL team; and
4. Contact the new Arafura MLA after the election to raise concerns and seek support for upgrades to the Maningrida subdivision

**CARRIED**

## **9 RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORTS**

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>9.1</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor</b>

The Council considered a report on Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence.

**OCM216/2024 RESOLVED:**  
**On the motion of Cr Onus**  
**Seconded Cr Marrawal**

THAT COUNCIL receive and note the attached items of incoming and outgoing correspondence.

**CARRIED**

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>9.2</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Meetings and Events attended by the Mayor</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor</b>

The Council considered a report on Meetings and Events attended by the Mayor.

**OCM217/2024 RESOLVED:**  
**On the motion of Deputy Mayor Williams**  
**Seconded Cr Namanurki**

THAT COUNCIL receive and note the report titled *Meetings and Events attended by the Mayor.*

**CARRIED**

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>9.3</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Meetings and Events attended by the CEO</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Andrew Walsh, Chief Executive Officer</b>

The Council considered a report on Meetings and Events attended by the CEO.

**OCM218/2024 RESOLVED:**  
**On the motion of Cr Phillips**  
**Seconded Cr Wilton**

THAT COUNCIL receive and note the report titled *Meetings and Events attended by the CEO.*

**CARRIED**

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>9.4</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Technical Services Projects Report</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Sara Fitzgerald, Waste and Resource Coordinator</b>

The Council considered a report on Technical Services Projects Report.

**OCM219/2024 RESOLVED:**  
**On the motion of Cr Onus**  
**Seconded Cr Dann**

THAT COUNCIL receive and note the report titled *Technical Services Projects Report.*

**CARRIED**

## **10 ELECTED MEMBER QUESTIONS WITH OR WITHOUT NOTICE**

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>10.1</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Elected Member Questions with or without Notice</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor</b>

The Council considered a report on Elected Member Questions with or without Notice.

**OCM220/2024 RESOLVED:**  
**On the motion of Cr Dann**  
**Seconded Cr Phillips**

That the Chairperson notes no questions with or without notice from Elected Members.

**CARRIED**

## **11 PROCEDURAL MOTIONS**

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>11.1</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Closure to the Public for the Discussion of Confidential Items</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor</b>

The Council considered a report on Closure to the Public for the Discussion of Confidential Items.

**OCM221/2024 RESOLVED:  
On the motion of Cr Marrawal  
Seconded Cr Onus**

That pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 52 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the Agenda.

**CARRIED**

**12 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

The information in this section of the Agenda is classed as confidential under Section 293(1) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and Regulation 51 of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2021*.

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>12.1</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Confirmation of Confidential Ordinary and Special Council Meeting Minutes</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor</b>

*The Report will remain confidential under Section 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 Section 51(1)(c)(ii). It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: prejudice the maintenance or administration of the law.*

Cr Dann and Cr Phillips declared a conflict due to their position as a Board member for NLC.

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>12.2</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Current Status of Outstanding Regional Land Use Agreements from the Northern Land Council</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Clem Beard, Project Manager Technical Services</b>

The Council deferred a report on Current Status of Outstanding Regional Land Use Agreements from the Northern Land Council due to declared conflicts affecting meeting quorum.

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>12.3</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Supply and Install Gunbalanya Oval Lighting variation works</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Hilal Ahmad, Senior Project Manager</b>

The Council considered a report on Supply and Install Gunbalanya Oval Lighting variation works.

**OCM223/2024 RESOLVED:  
On the motion of Cr Onus  
Seconded Cr Marrawal**

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive and note the report titled *Supply and Install Gunbalanya Oval Lighting variation works*.
2. Approve variation of tender amount to Molloy Electrical Contractors to a total of \$1,374,737.59 GST Inclusive increased from original tender award of \$1,151,001.00 GST inclusive, for Supply and install light towers at Gunbalanya oval.
3. Request that this variation is published on Council's website; and
4. Request the Administration to investigate the costs of line-marking.

**CARRIED**

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>12.4</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Tender Evaluation - Warruwi Internal roads resealing and shoulder maintenance</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Hilal Ahmad, Senior Project Manager</b>

The Council considered a report on Tender Evaluation - Warruwi Internal roads resealing and shoulder maintenance.

**OCM224/2024 RESOLVED:  
On the motion of Cr Phillips  
Seconded Cr Onus**

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive and note the report titled *Tender Evaluation - Warruwi Internal roads resealing and shoulder maintenance*; and
2. Approve the awarding of Warruwi internal roads resealing and shoulder maintenance tender to Road Network Services (RNS) for a total of \$1,196,690.87 GST inclusive.

**CARRIED**

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>12.5</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Tender Evaluation - Mallabam Road Drainage Works</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Hilal Ahmad, Senior Project Manager</b>

The Council considered a report on Tender Evaluation - Mallabam Road Drainage Works.

**OCM225/2024 RESOLVED:  
On the motion of Cr Marrawal  
Seconded Cr Namanurki**

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive and note the report titled *Tender Evaluation - Mallabam Road Drainage Works*; and
2. Approve awarding of tender for Mallabam Road drainage works to BV Contracting for \$249,667.60 GST Inclusive.

**CARRIED**

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>12.6</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Approval to Dispose of Surplus Fleet Assets</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Graham Baulch, Project Coordinator Fleet Operations</b>

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<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>12.7</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Tender Endorsement - Minjilang Creche Roof Upgrade and Internal Rectification Works</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Hilal Ahmad, Senior Project Manager</b>

The Council considered a report on Tender Endorsement - Minjilang Creche Roof Upgrade and Internal Rectification Works.

**OCM227/2024 RESOLVED:  
On the motion of Deputy Mayor Williams  
Seconded Cr Marrawal**

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive and note the report titled *Tender Endorsement - Minjilang Creche Roof Upgrade and Internal Rectification Works*; and
2. Retrospectively endorse the awarding of tender Minjilang creche roof and internal rectification works to Stedmans Construction and Engineering for \$158,082.16, including GST.

**CARRIED**

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>12.8</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Tender Endorsement - Minjilang Remote Staff Housing Upgrade</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Hilal Ahmad, Senior Project Manager</b>

The Council considered a report on Tender Endorsement - Minjilang Remote Staff Housing Upgrade.

**OCM228/2024 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Cr Onus**

**Seconded Deputy Mayor Williams**

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive and note the report titled *Tender Endorsement - Minjilang Remote Staff Housing Upgrade; and*
2. Retrospectively endorse the awarding of tender Minjilang remote staff housing upgrade to Stedmans Construction and Engineering for a total of \$150,473.20 inclusive of GST.

**CARRIED**

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>12.9</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Jabiru Landfill EPA License Update</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Sara Fitzgerald, Waste and Resource Coordinator</b>

The Council considered a report on Jabiru Landfill EPA License Update.

**OCM229/2024 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Deputy Mayor Williams**

**Seconded Cr Dann**

THAT COUNCIL receive and note the report titled *Jabiru Landfill EPA License Update*.

**CARRIED**

<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>12.10</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Proposed Yield Up - Lot 660 Maningrida</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Clem Beard, Project Manager Technical Services</b>

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<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	<b>12.11</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Disclosure of Confidential Resolutions and Re-admittance of the Public</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor</b>

The Council considered a report on Disclosure of Confidential Resolutions and Re-admittance of the Public.

**OCM230/2024 RESOLVED:**

**On the motion of Deputy Mayor Williams**

**Seconded Cr Marrawal**

THAT COUNCIL open the meeting to the public after the discussion of confidential items, and approve to disclose the selected resolutions 12.2, 12.3, 12.4, 12.5, 12.7, 12.8, and 12.9 from the confidential section of this meeting in the non-confidential meeting minutes.

**CARRIED**

**13 NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on 30 September 2024

**14 MEETING DECLARED CLOSED**

Chairperson Deputy Mayor Williams declared the meeting closed at 12:31pm.

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