

# BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



## OUR VISION

**We strive to be responsive, progressive, sustainable council which respects, listens and empowers the people to be strong.**

## The Way We Will Work

**We will make it happen!**

**We will be engaged and have regular opportunities to listen.**

**We will have strong policy and budgets to ensure our programs and services are progressive and sustainable.**

**Respect is shown in everything we do and we have acceptance of all cultures in the Barkly Region and their practices through a culturally competent Council.**

**We are a responsible Council.**

**We will be a responsive Council.**

**We want to empower local decision making.**

**We want to ensure that our services are sustainable and that our region has a standard consistent level of services.**

**We want to be able to sustain our environment – our communities, our physical places, our people and our organisational culture.**

**We will aggressively pursue additional funding from both levels of government to improve the standard of living of people across the region.**

**We need to be realistic, transparent and accountable.**

# MINUTES ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

The Ordinary Council Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Council Chambers on Thursday, 26 November 2020 at 8.30am.

**Steven Moore**  
**Chief Executive Officer**

Meeting commenced at 8.36am with Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin as Chair.

**1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE**

**1.1 Elected Members Present**

- Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin
- Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer
- Cr. Noel Hayes
- Cr. Ray Aylett
- Cr. Hal Ruger
- Cr. Ricky Holmes
- Cr. Sid Vashist
- Cr. Lucy Jackson
- Cr. Jane Evans
- Cr. Karan Hayward
- Cr. Kris Civitarese

**1.2 Staff Members and Visitors Present**

- Steve Moore
- Damian Carter
- Sharen Lake
- Millicent Nhepera
- Vanessa Goodworth
- Steve Edgington, MLA

**1.3 Apologies**

- Cr. Jennifer Mahoney
- Cr. Jack Clubb

**MOTION**

**That Council**

- a) Accept the apologies of Cr Clubb and Cr Jennifer Mahoney.**

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Lucy Lucy Jackson**

**Seconded: Cr. Hal Hal Ruger**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 82/20*

**1.4 Absent Without Apologies**

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## 1.5 Disclosure Of Interest – Councillors And Staff – Under Section 74(2) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008

- Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - Barkly Regional Arts - Member
  - Tennant Creek Cricket Association – Member
  - Nundahraga Entertainment – Sound sub-contractor
  - Christmas Tree Committee – President
  - First Persons Disability Network
  - Tennant Creek Primary School – Teacher
  - Tennant Creek High School – Teacher
  - Music Northern Territory – Board Member
  
- Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - Purrutu Aboriginal Corporation – Board Member
  - Patta Aboriginal Corporation – Board Member
  - Papulu Apparr-Kari Aboriginal Corporation – Member
  - Tennant Creek Mob Aboriginal Corporation
  - Member for Barkly - Employee
  
- Cr. Kris M. Civitarese – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - The Returned and Service League of Australia, Tennant Creek Sub-Branch – President
  - Chamber of Commerce Northern Territory – Tennant Creek Committee Member
  - Rotary – Paul Harris Fellow Awarded
  - T & J Contractors
  - Barkly Art - Board Member
  - KNC (NT) – Managing Director
  - Senator for the Northern Territory - Employee
  
- Cr. Raymond E. Aylett – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - Sporties Club, Tennant Creek – Member
  
- Cr. Siddhant Vashist – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - Barkly Arts – Member
  - Tennant Creek High School - Member
  - Multicultural Association of Central Australia – Member
  - Australia-India Business Council – Member
  - Outback Stores – employee
  
- Cr. Noel Hayes – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - Anyinginyi Health Aboriginal Corporation, Tennant Creek – Board Member
  - Centre for Appropriate Technology, Alice Springs – Board Member
  - Housing Reference Group – Member
  
- Cr. Hal A. Ruger – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - Territory Generation – Employee
  
- Cr. Jane Evans – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - Puma Elliott – Store Manager
  
- Cr. Karan Hayward – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships

- Papulu Apparr-Kari Aboriginal Corporation – Chief Executive Officer
  - Mark Gillard Painting – Director
  - Alcohol Reference Group – Chairperson
  - Combined Aboriginal Corporation – Member
- Steve Moore - Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
    - Battery Hill – Director
    - Tennant Creek Pistol Club – Secretary

There were no declarations of interest made at this meeting

## 2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

### 2.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

#### MOTION

#### That Council

- a) Confirm the Minutes from the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 29 October 2020 as a true and accurate record.

#### RESOLVED

Moved: Cr.Sid Sid Vashist

Seconded:Cr. Ricky Ricky Holmes

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 83/20*

## 3. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

### 3.1 ACTION LIST

#### MOTION

#### That Council:

- a) Receive and Note the Action List; and
- b) Endorse the removal of all completed items: 6,7, 9, 10

#### RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Hal Hal Ruger

Seconded:Cr. Ray Ray Aylett

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 84/20*

Item A: Cr's spoke to the Member for Barkly who was present at the meeting, about the Tara Play Group, who said he will make enquiries on the matter.

## 4. ADDRESSING THE MEETING

### 4.1 MENZIES PRESENTATION

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council

**a) Receive and note the report**

Deferred until 2021

**4.2 AUSTRALIA DAY BRIEF**

**MOTION**

**That Council**

- a) Receive and note the report
- b)

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer**

**Seconded: Cr. Noel Noel Hayes**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 85/20*

The theme for this year's Australia day is "emerging" and some new marketing material has been created (including a new logo).  
Some logistics for the Ruger Run are being adjusted: including the time of the event, and blocking off some laneways for a clearer running path.  
Councillors asked to encourage the community to submit their nominations for Citizen of the year before the deadline, so that voting can be concluded at the December council meeting.

**4.3 CULTURAL AUTHORITY GROUP**

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council**

- a) Receive and note the report

Deferred to 2021

**5. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

*Nil*

**6. MAYOR'S REPORT**

**6.1 MAYOR'S REPORT**

**MOTION**

**That Council:**

- a) Receive and note the Mayor's Report.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer**

**Seconded: Cr. Sid Sid Vashist**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 86/20*

Mayor, CEO and Cr. Vashist attended a LGANT meeting in Alice Springs where the

mayor got to meet his counterparts from around the territory. Highlights were water security meeting where they discussed a water strategy for the territory. SREBA report (fracking) was also brought up and pushed for it to include local governments within the report BRC. During the month, the Mayor met with Minister Moss about youth and education in the Barkly.

## **7. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS**

### **7.1 RATIFICATION OF COMMON SEAL**

#### **MOTION**

##### **That Council:**

- a) Ratify the execution of the following documents under the Council's Common Seal:
1. Shot Form Grant Agreement: Alcohol Action Initiatives for Elliott Community Sports Project, between Northern Territory Government and BRC till 27 August 2021; and
  2. Crown Lease Term 2662: Lease Agreement of Lot 2161A for the proposed Tennant Creek Landfill Expansion for the initial duration of 1 year, between Department of Infrastructure Planning and Logistics and BRC.

#### **RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Noel Noel Hayes**

**Seconded: Cr. Jane Jane Evans**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 87/20*

### **7.2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER UPDATE**

#### **MOTION**

##### **That Council**

- a) Receive and note the report

#### **RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Karan Karan Hayward**

**Seconded: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 88/20*

## **8. CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS**

### **8.1 EXPENDITURE SUMMARY: MONTH OF OCTOBER 2020**

#### **MOTION**

##### **That Council**

- (a) Receive and note the Expenditure Summary for the month ended 31 October 2020.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Hal Hal Ruger**

**Seconded:Cr. Noel Noel Hayes**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 89/20*

**8.2 GRANT ACQUITTALS: SPECIAL PURPOSE GRANTS 2020**

**MOTION**

**That Council**

**(a)** Receive and note the Report detailing:

- Certifications of 2019-2020 Special Purpose Grant Funding for:
  - SPG2017-18-2: To Install a Shade Cover Over The Basketball Court in Wutungurra At The Sport And Recreation Centre;
  - SLGIF 2018-19: Towards Refurbishment Of Staff House At Lot 126 Buchanan Street In Elliott;
  - SPG2018-19: To Purchase New Tipper Truck (GVM 10.7 Tonne) For The Alpururulam Community;
  - EESG2018-19: To Fund 547 LED Street Lights Throughout Tennant Creek And Elliott;
  - Special Community Assistance and Local Employment (SCALE) 2019-2020
  - SPG2017-2018-2: To Purchase And Install 8 LED Lights To Existing Poles To Augment CCTV In Poorly Lit Streets In The Tennant Creek Township
  - SPG2017-18-1 Towards The Implementation Of An Animal Management Program Throughout The Barkly Region
  - SPG2017-18-2 To Design, Purchase And Install Solar Pool Heating At The Tennant Creek Swimming Pool
  - SPG2018-19-1 To Construct A New Top Railed Chainmesh Fence Around The Oval At Staunton Street in Tennant Creek

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Ray Ray Aylett**

**Seconded:Cr. Lucy Lucy Jackson**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 90/20*

**8.3 GRANTS REPORT - OCTOBER 2020**

**MOTION**

**That Council**

**(a)** Receive and note the Grants Report for the year to date ending 31 October 2020.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr.Sid Sid Vashist**

**Seconded:Cr. Karan Karan Hayward**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 91/20*

**8.4 FINANCE REPORT - OCTOBER 2020**

**MOTION**

**That Council**

a)Receive and note the Finance Report for the four months ended 31 October 2020.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Karan Karan Hayward**

**Seconded:Cr. Ricky Ricky Holmes**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 92/20*

Cr.Ruger suggested contacting Rimfire for comparison on power pricing.

**MOTION**

**That Council**

**Break for morning tea and lunch at 10.05am**

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Karan Karan Hayward**

**Seconded:Cr. Lucy Lucy Jackson**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 93/20*

Cr Lucy Jackson left the meeting, the time being 12:30 PM

**MOTION**

**That council**

a)Resume the meeting and move into confidential 1230

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer**

**Seconded:Cr. Noel Noel Hayes**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 94/20*

**MOTION**

**That council**

a)Move back into the ordinary meeting at 1315.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Hal Hal Ruger**

**Seconded:Cr. Ray Ray Aylett**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 95/20*



## 8.5 CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORT

### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report

### RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Karan Karan Hayward

Seconded: Cr. Noel Noel Hayes

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 96/20*

## 8.6 POLICY APPROVAL

### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Adopt the Filling of Casual Vacancies Policy

### RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Hal Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Jane Jane Evans

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 97/20*

## 9. INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORTS

### 9.1 INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2020

### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report of activities within the infrastructure Directorate

### RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Karan Karan Hayward

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 98/20*

## 10. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE

### 10.1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OCTOBER REPORT

### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer**

**Seconded: Cr. Jane Jane Evans**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 99/20*

**11. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS**

**11.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES**

**MOTION**

**That Council**

- a) Receive and note the report;
- b) Receive and note the Tennant Creek Local Authority Minutes for October;
- c) Receive and note the Ali Curung Local Authority Minutes for October;
- d) Receive and note the Elliott Local Authority Minutes for October;
- e) Receive and note the Wutunugurra Local Authority Minutes for October;
- f) Receive and note the Alpururulam Local Authority Minutes for October;
- g) Receive and note the Arlparra Local Authority Minutes for October;

**Tennant Creek**

- h) Obtain costings for the installation of the slab, shelter and bench seating in the Kathleen Street Park Precinct.
- i) Bring back options to the LA for the Eldorado Park play area.
- j) Look into the cost of an X-Ray machine for the vet clinic building
- k) Invite the principal from the Tennant Creek veterinary practice to present to the Local Authority

**Alpururulam**

- l) Allow the AAI Bush Tucker funding to be transferred to the Alpururulam School if not possible to be auspice through Barkly Regional Council to the School;
- m) Endorse the allocation of \$7995.00 plus freight of Alpururulam Local Authority funds to purchase New Water Cartage 1000ltr Trailer based upon the quotation provided by NT Trailers being the preferred quotation received;
- n) Endorse the allocation of \$956.90 plus freight of Alpururulam Local Authority funds to purchase 3 Shelters & 5 Sand bags for Gazebo upon the quotation provided by Bunnings being the preferred quotation received;
- o) Endorse the allocation of \$6284.20 of Alpururulam Local Authority funds to purchase a Sewage Pump upon the quotation provided by Scintex being the preferred quotation received and the ease of access to parts in the future as well as cost;
- p) Endorse the allocation of \$220.00 of Alpururulam Local Authority funds to create a professional map with grids for graves at the cemetery upon the quotation provided by ASPrint being the preferred quotation received;
- q) Endorse the allocation of \$957.00 of Alpururulam Local Authority funds to purchase Laundry Tokens based upon the new quotation provided by TDC Refrigeration being the preferred quotation received;

**Ampilatwatja**

- r) Endorse the allocation of \$120,349.27 of Ampilatwatja for the building of ablution blocks.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved:** Cr. Noel Noel Hayes

**Seconded:** Cr. Karan Karan Hayward

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 100/20*

**12. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*Nil*

**13. NOTICES OF MOTION**

*Nil*

**14. RESCISSION MOTIONS**

*Nil*

**15. OPERATIONS**

**15.1 OPERATIONS DIRECTOR REPORT**

**MOTION**

**That Council**

- A)** Receive and Note the Operations Directors Report'
- B)** Write a letter to the Northern Territory Government that council support the relocation Avon Downs police station to Alpurrurulum.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved:** Cr. Sid Sid Vashist

**Seconded:** Cr. Karan Karan Hayward

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 101/20*

ACTION ITEM: Write a letter to the NTG minister for licencing and the police minister expressing concern over illegal alcohol being brought into the region and copy the Barkly Region Alcohol Accord into the meeting. To also remind them that they have budgeted for a new police station in Alpurrurulum.

ACTION ITEM: Investigate ABA funding grants and the installation of grey water watering systems to service the football grounds.

**16. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**16.1 DECEMBER COUNCIL MEETING**

**MOTION**

**That Council**

- a)** Receive and note the report
- b)** Conduct a short December meeting for essential business.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved:** Cr. Hal Hal Ruger

**Seconded:** Cr. Jane Jane Evans

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 102/20*

Council will conduct a short December meeting to get through essential business. The end of year dinner will be conducted next year when most Councillors are back.

## **16.2 COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2021**

### **MOTION**

#### **That Council:**

- a) Approve the dates for Council meetings for 2021.

### **RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Noel Noel Hayes**

**Seconded: Cr. Karan Karan Hayward**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 103/20*

## **16.3 TENNANT CREEK LANDFILL UPDATE**

### **MOTION**

#### **That Council**

- a) Receive and note the report.

### **RESOLVED**

**Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer**

**Seconded: Cr. Noel Noel Hayes**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 104/20*

## **17. CORRESPONDENCE**

### **17.1 CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **MOTION**

#### **That Council:**

- a) Receive and note the correspondence for the month of November 2020.

### **RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Ray Ray Aylett**

**Seconded: Cr. Noel Noel Hayes**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 105/20*

**ACTION ITEM:** Write a letter to IRAM expressing grievances about the IGA contingency building.

**ACTION ITEM:** to refer 8CCC to Barkly work camp.

## **18. THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED REGIONAL PLAN**

*Nil*

### 18.3 ELLIOTT ACCOMODATION

*The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (d) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.*

#### MOTION

##### That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Authorise the CEO to enter into a contract to gift Lot's 1,2,19 & 20 to Northern Interests on the following conditions;
  - a. Northern investments pay to remove the old fuel tanks and take responsibility for any subsequent cleanup.
  - b. Commence construction on the new roadhouse and store within 2 years of entering into an agreement with council to gift the land, and complete construction within 3 years.
  - c. As part of the redevelopment an Art Centre is developed for the use by the Elliott Arts community
  - d. Confirmation that Council can legally gift the land in the manner described.
  - e. Agreement subject to Northern Interest agreeing to these terms.
  - f. Move item into ordinary but keep attachments and reports confidential.

*Cr Vashist and Councillor Evans declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 1237pm and returned at 1300*

*Cr Civitarese dialled in for this report at 1244 and left at 1259.*

#### RESOLVED

**Moved: Cr. Hal Ruger**

**Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OCCS 106/20*

### 18.4 CIVIC HALL HIRE REQUESTS

*The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (d) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.*

#### MOTION

##### That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Reject the request from Sally Balfour as it's for personal benefit.
- c) Approve the request to sponsor the event through waving the hire fees for Civic Hall, and the payment of cleaning fees for the Christmas Tree committee's community event from the 18<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> of December 2020.
- d) Approve the Christmas tree event as a Council event.
- e) Move item into ordinary.

*Mayor McLaughlin declared a conflict of interest as the Christmas Tree Committee and is Sally Balfour's music director- he left the meeting at 1303 and returned at 1307.*

**.RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr.Sid Vashist**

**Seconded:Cr. Kris Civitarese**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OCCS 107/20*

**18.5 TENDER EVALUATION- BRC-005-20: ELLIOTT FOOTBALL OVAL CHANGE ROOMS (DESIGN AND CONSTRUCT)**

*The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (d) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.*

**MOTION**

**That Council**

- a) Receive and Note the report
- b) Award the contract to Harvey Developments Pty Ltd, 41 Meloney St. Tennant Creek NT 0860 for the value of \$618,766.95 (Incl. GS) subject to funding being confirmed
- c) Approve \$450,000 of drought funding be committed to the project
- d) Approve \$168,766.95 plus \$30,940 contingency (if required) from the Barkly Futures fund be committed to the project and recommend to the BRD Interim Governance table that the expenditure be approved.
- e) Move the item into ordinary council

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer**

**Seconded:Cr.Sid Sid Vashist**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OCCS 108/20*

To make sure that three phase power is run at the Elliott Oval.

**18.6 TENDER EVALUATION- BRC\_006-20: AMPILATWATJA ABLUTION BLOCK (DESIGN AND CONSTRUCT)**

*The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (d) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.*

**MOTION**

**That Council**

- a) Receive and Note the report
- b) Award the contract to Harvey Developments Pty Ltd, 41 Meloney St. Tennant Creek NT 0860 for value of \$533,361.32 (Incl. GST) - \$474873.93 Ex GST
- c) Subject to funding
- d) Move the item into ordinary council

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer**

**Seconded:Cr. Noel Noel Hayes**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OCCS 109/20*

**18.7 TENDER EVALUATION- BRC-007-20: LAKE MARY ANN DAM PLAYGROUND**

*The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (d) of the Local Government Act 2008 and*

*Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.*

**MOTION**

**That Council**

- a) Receive and Note the Report
- b) Award the contract to NT Sports and Playground Surfacing Pty Ltd, 420 Virginia Road, Virginia NT 0834 for the value of \$396,528.00 (Incl. GST)
- c) Move the item into ordinary council.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr.Sid Sid Vashist**

**Seconded:Cr. Karan Karan Hayward**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OCCS 110/20*

**19. CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting terminated at 1447 pm.

This page and the proceeding 14 pages are the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Thursday, 26 November 2020 and are unconfirmed .

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Jeffrey McLaughlin  
Council Mayor

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Steve Moore  
Chief Executive Officer