The meeting opened at 1:04pm.

1 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Present:
Councillors (via the phone)
Cr Warren Williams (Deputy President), Cr Robert George, Cr James Glenn, Cr David McCormack, Cr Jacob Spencer, Cr Freddy Williams, Cr Joe Marshall

Councillors (in person)
Cr Adrian Dixon (President)

Apologies
Cr William Liddle

Absences
Cr Audrey Inkamala, Cr April Martin

Council Officers
Diane Hood (CEO), Leslie Manda (DCORP), Pip Parsonson (Director of Community Services), Nick Brown (Director of Council Services), Maria De Dios (Governance Officer)

OC047/2020 RESOLVED (Cr D McCormack/Cr W Williams)
That Council accept apologies given by members.
2 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA
The letter from Govies’ Muster requesting that the amount allocated to the event be donated to school directly was included in the agenda.

3 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST
Nil

4 CODE OF CONDUCT MATTERS
Nil

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES
5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS OCM MINUTES

OC048/2020 RESOLVED (Cr J Glenn/Cr A Dixon)
That the Council confirm the minutes from the Ordinary Council meeting held on 27 March 2020.

6 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES
6.1 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

OC049/2020 RESOLVED (Cr J Glenn/Cr A Dixon)
That Council note progress reports on outstanding actions from the minutes of previous Ordinary Council Meetings.

Council discussed that previous resolutions re sponsorship of an event couldn’t be done as event cancelled, agreed to donation instead.

MOTION

OC050/2020 RESOLVED (Cr J Spencer/Cr J Marshall)
That Council agrees to donate the $200 allocated to the Govies’ Muster event to the School of the Air directly.

7 PRESIDENT’S REPORT
7.1 PRESIDENT’S REPORT

OC051/2020 RESOLVED (Cr F Williams/Cr J Glenn)
That Council note the President’s report.
8 CHIEF EXECUTIVE REPORTS

8.1 CEO REPORT

**OC052/2020** RESOLVED (Cr J Spencer/Cr J Marshall)
That Council note the CEO report.

8.2 CORRESPONDENCE IN

**OC053/2020** RESOLVED (Cr W Williams/Cr A Dixon)
That Council notes the correspondence into Council from the last meeting.

9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS

9.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES ROUND 2 - APRIL & MAY 2020

**OC054/2020** RESOLVED (Cr W Williams/Cr J Marshall)
That Council notes the minutes from the following Local Authorities:
- Anmatjere 07/04/2020 Minutes
- Willowra 08/04/2020 Minutes
- Engawala 15/04/2020 Minutes
- Laramba 28/04/2020 Minutes
- Yuelamu 29/04/2020 Minutes
- Yuendumu 06/05/2020 Minutes
- Nyirripi 07/05/2020 Minutes
- Lajamanu 13/05/2020 Minutes

9.2 CHANGES TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES

**OC055/2020** RESOLVED (Cr R George/Cr J Spencer)
That Council accept the:
1. Removal of Owen Williams from the Willowra Local Authority.
2. Schedule a second Code of Conduct training in Lajamanu in July 2020 and invite Mike Doolan and Doris Lewis to attend.
3. Approve the call for nominations to the Lajamanu Local Authority to mitigate the risk of the number of members falling below the minimum legislative requirement of six.

Cr. Robert George joined the meeting via phone at 1:28pm.

### 10 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

#### 10.1 FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

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#### 10.3 AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE REPORT

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### 11 DIRECTORATE REPORTS

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11.2 COUNCIL SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORT

OC060/2020 RESOLVED (Cr A Dixon/Cr J Glenn)
That Council note the report from the Director, Council Services.

11.3 DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

OC061/2020 RESOLVED (Cr A Dixon/Cr J Glenn)
That the Council notes the report from the Director of Community Services.

12 GENERAL BUSINESS

12.1 ADOPTION OF 2018/22 (YEAR 3) REGIONAL PLAN

OC062/2020 RESOLVED (Cr D McCormack/Cr R George)
That Council:
1. Note the Rate Assessment Record Certification made by the CEO and included in the Regional Plan on page 35;
2. Adopt the amended 2018 to 2022 (Year 3) Central Desert Regional Council Regional Plan;
3. Adopt the 2020/21 Council Annual Budget included within the 2018/22 Regional Plan starting on page 31;
4. Note the attached Gazette Notice in regards to Conditional Rating for the 2020/21 financial year; and
5. Declare Rates and Charges for the 2020/21 financial year as per the attached “Declaration of Rates & Charges 2020/21” and included within the Regional Plan from page 35.
6. Rescind the resolution to set LA Member Sitting Fees and extra meeting allowances in the March 2020 OCM:
   1. Set Local Authority Meeting Allowances to $177 for the Chair and $133 for ordinary LA members.
   2. Set the extra meeting allowance, payable as per P23 Elected and Appointed Members Facilities, Benefits and Allowances Policy, to $139 per approved meeting for the 2020/21 financial year.
3. Set the allowance for an Ordinary External Committee Member on a Council Committee to $137 per meeting for the 2020/21 financial year.

4. Set the allowance for an External Chair of a Council Committee to $176 per meeting for the 2020/21 financial year.

7. Set Local Authority Meeting Allowances to $173 for the Chair and $129 for ordinary LA members as set by the Minister based on 2020-21 revenue units of $1.21 per unit.

8. Set the extra meeting allowance, payable as per P23 Elected and Appointed Members Facilities, Benefits and Allowances Policy, to $137 per approved meeting for the 2020/21 financial year.

9. Set the allowance for an Ordinary External Committee Member on a Council Committee to $137 per meeting for the 2020/21 financial year.

10. Set the allowance for an External Chair of a Council Committee to $173 per meeting for the 2020/21 financial year.

Council suspended meeting for break at 1:51pm.

Resumed meeting at 1:57pm.

12.2 ACCUMULATED AGED CARE SURPLUS

OC063/2020 RESOLVED (Cr J Glenn/Cr J Spencer)
That Council:

1. Note that Council will have accumulated aged Care Service Fees of approximately $768,000 as at 30 June 2020.

2. Approve the recommendation that $438,000 of the accumulated fees be transferred to the Facilities Reserve to offset the calculated depreciation of aged care facilities over five years from 2015/2016 to 2018/2019 and to be used for asset repair and maintenance.

3. Approve the recommendation that a new Community Services Reserve be created effective 1 July 2020 utilising that balance of the accumulated Aged Care Service fees estimated to be $330,000.
12.3 NT GOVERNMENT REQUEST TO CHANGE HARDSHIP POLICY

OC064/2020 RESOLVED (Cr J Marshall/Cr W Williams)
That Council adopts the proposed NT Government Council policy “Public Benefit Concessions Policy for Commercial Ratepayers”.

13 PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Nil

14 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

There was vigorous discussion in language about water issues when question and answer relating to water potability in agenda was discussed.

Q1. Cr. James Glenn mentioned that Black Cat contractor road works have been held up around Nturiya due to permit issues. He was also contacted by Black Cat regarding issuance of permit.

RESPONSE: Black Cat contractors have completed their road works. However, there are road shoulder works in Nturiya that have been held up due to permit issues and the works should commence next week.

If Councillors get operational questions from contractors, please direct them to the relevant Council staff. Contractors should organise their own permits.

Q2. Cr. Joe Marshall mentioned that Lajamanu rubbish truck is broken.

RESPONSE: The rubbish truck has been sent to Katherine for repairs and should be back shortly. Rubbish collection is still taking place with trailers.
Q3. Cr. Joe Marshall asked why there is no Centrelink (other than agency) and Post Office in a big community like Lajamanu. They have to drive to Darwin or Katherine to go to Centrelink.

RESPONSE: CEO advised she can help draft a letter to federal government and Post Office as an advocacy issue, so Cr. Marshall can raise these issues on behalf of Lajamanu.

Q4. Cr. Jacob Spencer asked why Community Safety Patrol (CSP) is not operating in Nyirripi.

RESPONSE: CSP is not operating in Nyirripi because people don’t want to work. CSP can operate once we get applications in. The process has been simplified some time back, and Cllrs continue to recommend working at council to residents.

Q5. Cr. Jacob Spencer ask when Nyirripi Childcare will be operating.

RESPONSE: We are recruiting to the role, but cannot get people to community because biosecurity areas are closed. As Covid19 lifts, it will be Council’s continuing priority to recruit for Nyirripi Childcare Coordinator.

15 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil

DECISION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

OC065/2020 RESOLVED (Cr R George/Cr A Dixon)

Members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the Closed Session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Session be withheld. This action is taken in accordance with Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act, 2008 as the items listed come within the following provisions:-

Meeting moved to a closed session at 2:05pm.
16 CLOSED SESSION

THE FOLLOWING SESSION WAS MOVED INTO OPEN.

16.1 TENDER ACCEPTANCE FOR BAGOT STREET MAJOR BUILD PROJECT

**OC066/2020 RESOLVED**  (Cr J Marshall/Cr W Williams)
That Council
1. Approve the selection of MPH Projects, for the tender sum of $3,535,130.64, excluding GST, for the construction of the “1 Bagot Street MacDonnell Regional Council Building Renovation and Extension” project;
2. Approve the increase to the contingency budget of $100,000 maintaining the overall CDRC budget; and
3. Move this decision into open.

17 MOVE TO OPEN SESSION

**OC067/2020 RESOLVED**  (Cr J Glenn/Cr A Dixon)
That the meeting move back into open session.

Councillors discussed the next meeting and noted that the meeting at Nyirripi had been missed due to COVID-19.

**MOTION**

**OC068/2020 RESOLVED**  (Cr J Glenn/Cr J Marshall)
Move the July Ordinary Council meeting from Alice Springs to Nyirripi.

The meeting terminated at 2:22pm.