

MINUTES OF THE PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC) MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY
25 AUGUST 2020

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting was held via Zoom teleconference

PRESENT

Councillor Jimmy Cocking (Chair)
Councillor Jacinta Price
Mr Domenico Pecorari
Mr Jonathan Pilbrow
Mr Matthew Digby
Mr Ken Johnson

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr Takudzwa Charlie - Acting Director Technical Services
Mr Stephen Baloban - Manager Infrastructure
Mr Ben Fitzgerald - Manager Depot
Ms Kaitlyn Weekes - Project Administration Officer (Minutes)

14 th Alice Springs Town Council Parks Advisory Committee Attendance List 2020/2020					
	Aug 25 20	Oct 27 20	17 Nov 20	16 Feb 21	29 Jun 21
Mayor Jamie de Brenni	A				
Councillor Jimmy Cocking	✓				
Councillor Jacinta Price	✓				
Matthew Digby	✓				
Jonathan Pilbrow	✓				
Domenico Pecorari	✓				
Ken Johnson	✓				

✓	Attended
✓ phone	Attended via phone
A	Apology received
--	No attendance and no apology recorded

The meeting opened at 4:21 pm.

1. APOLOGIES

Mayor Jamie de Brenni
Mr Scott Allen – Director Technical Services

2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Jonathan Pilbrow – Item 6.1

3. CORRESPONDENCE

3.1 Email from Koedee Hatzimihail re: Mercorella Park dated 5 August 2020

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 Minutes of the Parks Advisory Committee meeting held 30 June 2020

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Parks Advisory Committee meeting held 30 June 2020 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

Moved: Councillor Jacinta Price **Seconded:** Councillor Cocking **CARRIED**

5. FINANCE REPORT

The Committee received and noted the *Income and Expenditure Report – for the Period Ending 14 August 2020*. Parks funds available assuming all commitments are realised are \$448,666.00

Moved: Councillor Jacinta Price **Seconded:** Councillor Cocking **CARRIED**

Acting Director Technical Services advised that due to the end of financial year reporting, three parks which have been endorsed by Council are not reflected within the committed funds. These will be updated within the next finance report.

A question was raised with regard to the Todd River fitness stations and why they are still fenced off. Manager Infrastructure advised that due to disability access it is unsafe for the public to use them until ramps have been installed which has now been completed.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.1. Lyndavale Park

Deputation – Lyndavale Park Community Project

Marisa Kelly and Jen Clarsen were welcomed to the teleconference and introduced a presentation the Parks Committee.

The Committee offered praise to the project. Marisa advised that the park would cater to children aged 0-5.

Jonathan Pilbrow left the meeting 5:12 due to a conflict of interest

The Committee opened a discussion after members from the Lyndavale Park Project had left. Committee members commemorated the initiative of the project however concerns were raised in regards to costings and expectations from Council as well as ongoing maintenance.

Other concerns raised included:

- If there was a need for a security pole
- Accessibility and hours of use
- Lighting
- Fence

RESOLVED:

That it be recommended to Council:

That Council Officers work in partnership with the Larapinta Child & Family Centre to ascertain costs and to determine potential stages for development ready for the next meeting.

Moved: Mathew Digby **Seconded:** Councillor Price **CARRIED**

Jonathan Pilbrow returned to the meeting at 5:22

6.2. Tucker Park

The Project Administration Officer updated the Committee on the progress of Tucker park.

The committee received and noted.

6.3. Oleander Park

The Project Administration Officer updated the Committee on the progress of Oleander park.

The committee received and noted.

6.4. Madigan Park

Project Administration Officer provided an update on the Public Information Session held on the 12 August at Madigan Park.

Comments made by residents were:

- Selling half of the park as opposed to developing it would allow money to go straight back into the park and allow for the project to be completed faster
- Some argued against units entirely
- Residents weren't necessarily against the Council developing the park
- Residents questioned the timeline of the project
- Members of the community had doubts about 4 units being built and mentioned the congestion, prefer to have 2

RESOLVED:

That it be recommended to Council:

That Council Officers undertake a feasibility study and relevant planning processes towards the potential subdivision and development of Madigan Park.

Moved: Matthew Digby

Seconded: Councillor Price

CARRIED

Against: Domenico Pecorari

6.5. Rotorac Park

The Project Administration Officer updated the Committee on the progress of Rotorac park.

Councillor Cocking asked if local residents could be advised of works.

ACTION:

That Council advises the community through Council's media outlets.

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OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Mercorella park

Project Administration Officer updated the Committee on the correspondence from Koedee Hatziimhail in regards to installing new monkey bars, the Committee voted against this decision due to budget and existing infrastructure.

ACTION:

Council to respond to Koedee Hatziimhail acknowledging her correspondence along with the committee's decision regarding her request.

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NEXT MEETING: 4:30pm on 27 October 2020

Via Teleconference - details to be provided closer to the meeting date.

The meeting closed at 5:40 pm.