



Aurukun Shire Council

MINUTES

**SPECIAL COUNCIL
MEETING**

Friday 31 May, 2019

Venue:

**Council Chambers, 39 Kang Kang Road,
Aurukun Qld 4892**



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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL, HELD AT AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 39 KANG KANG ROAD AURUKUN, ON FRIDAY 31 MAY 2019

Present:

Councillors

Cr. Dereck Walpo (Mayor)
Cr. Edgar Kerindun (Deputy Mayor)
Cr. Doris Poonkamelya
Cr. Vera Koomeeta (arrived 9.13am)

Leave of Absence

Cr. Ada Woolla

Officers:

Ron Fenner – Director Corporate Services (DCOR)
Alan Neilan – Director Community Services (DCOM)
Gus Yates – Director Technical Services (DTS)

*Via Videoconference
from ASC Board
Room Cairns*

Bernie McCarthy – Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
Vanessa Kennedy – Executive Assistant and Minute Secretary
(EA)

Public Gallery:

Noel Waterman
Renee Gavin
Keri Tamwoy
Phyllis Yunkaporta



1. Opening

Mayor declared the Meeting open at 9.10am.

2. Declaration of Material Personal Interests (MPI)

Nil declared.

3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest (COI)

Nil declared.

4. Leave of Absence

Cr. Ada Woolla



5. Business

5.1 Proposed Alcohol Trial Event in Aurukun

Mayor explained the purpose of the meeting.

Mayor referred to tabled submissions from several parties who were against the proposed Alcohol Trial Event.

CEO read out:

- (1) the signatories for each submission
- (2) letter to Deputy Premier Jackie Trad MP from four ASC Councillors and FRC Commissioners advising they do not support any event that will see alcohol available in any form in Aurukun.

“Until our community members can show they are responsible and mature enough to resolve the continued issues created by alcohol in the first place. Domestic Violence, Children not attending school and assaults, to name just a few, we cannot believe that time and money is even going into this topic of alcohol, when there is so much other work that needs to be done in Aurukun.

Please support us to make this happen.”

Ada Woolla OAM

Vera Koomeeta OAM

Doris Poonkamelya OAM

Edgar Kerindun OAM

ASC Councillors/FRC Commissioners

Mayor requested Council to make a resolution in respect of the proposed Alcohol Trial Event.

The following resolution was made:

Resolution: 19.6331

That after consideration of submissions from the Aurukun Community and issues raised by residents at the meeting held on Wednesday 22 May 2019, Council resolves to:

- (1) not proceed with the proposed Alcohol Trial Event in Aurukun
- (2) provide a media release to all residents and stakeholders via Aurukun Shire Council media outlets.

MOVED: Councillor Edgar Kerindun **SECONDED:** Councillor Doris Poonkamelya
CARRIED

7. Closure

Mayor declared the meeting closed at 9.18am.