

DOUGLAS SHIRE COUNCIL

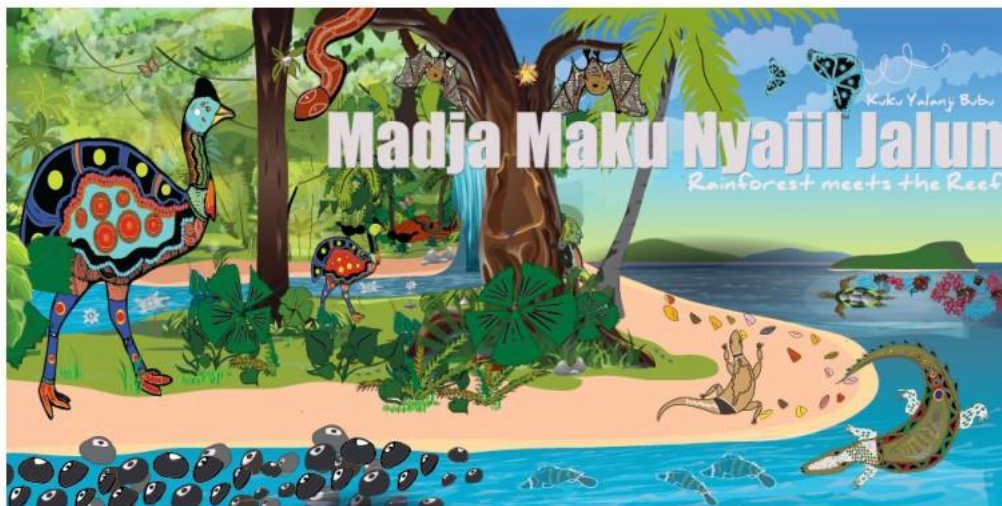
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

TUESDAY, 21 DECEMBER 2021

ENSURING EXCELLENCE IN GOVERNANCE
ACCOUNTABLE AND TRANSPARENT DECISION-MAKING
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Douglas Shire Council would like to show its appreciation by acknowledging local indigenous artists Lenice Schonenberger, Loretta Pierce (Lenoy) and Ronald Bamboo for providing the cover artwork entitled "**Daintree Ferry**"

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE DOUGLAS SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY, 21 DECEMBER 2021 COMMENCING AT 12.00PM**

Mayor Cr Kerr opened the Meeting by welcoming everyone to the Special Meeting of the Douglas Shire Council being held on Tuesday, 21 December 2021 at the Mossman Council Chambers.

Cr Kerr gave notice that, in accordance with *Section 277E of the Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Special Meeting of Council will be restricted in numbers of public attendance because of health and safety reasons associated with the public health emergency involving COVID-19; and advised that an audio recording of the Special Meeting of Council will be available on Council's Website to listen to at a later time.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Cr Kerr acknowledged the Kuku Yalanji people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land on which this meeting is being held and paid respect to their Elders past, present and emerging, and extended that respect to other Indigenous Australians.

1. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

PRESENT

Cr Michael Kerr (Mayor), Cr Lisa Scomazzon (Deputy Mayor), Cr Peter McKeown, Cr Abigail Noli and Cr Roy Zammataro.

APOLOGIES

Nil

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Juanita Warner (Acting Chief Executive Officer) and Brenda Jang (Executive Assistant).

2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil

3. AGENDA ITEMS

3.1. CONFIDENTIAL 254J 3 A LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS 2012 – APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER – DECEMBER 2021

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 254J (3) (A), of the Local Government Regulation 2012, as it contains information relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government as it relates to the appointment of the Chief Executive Officer.

CLOSED SESSION

Moved Cr McKeown

Seconded Cr Scomazzon

That Council resolves to move into Closed Session to discuss the following matter:

3.1 *Confidential 254J 3 A Local Government Regulation 2012 – Appointment of Chief Executive Officer – December 2021.*

Carried Unanimously

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(The meeting moved into Closed Session at 12.02 pm.)

MEETING WITHDRAWAL

Acting Chief Executive Officer Juanita Warner and Executive Assistant Brenda Jang withdrew from the meeting at 12.02pm.

MEETING RE-ATTENDANCE

Acting Chief Executive Officer Juanita Warner and Executive Assistant Brenda Jang re-attended the meeting at 12.07pm.

OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Moved Cr McKeown

Seconded Cr Scomazzon

That Council resolves to move out of Closed Session.

Carried Unanimously

(The Meeting moved out of Closed Session at 12.07pm.)

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Moved Cr Kerr

Seconded Cr Scomazzon

That Council approve:

1. *To offer the role of Chief Executive Officer to the preferred candidate in accordance with section 194 of the Local Government Act 2009; and*
2. *The Mayor be delegated authority in accordance with section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009 to negotiate the draft contract attached to this closed session report with the preferred candidate and that the Mayor execute the contract when the terms have been agreed and approved by the majority of Councillors.*

Carried Unanimously

VOTE OF THANKS

Mayor Cr Kerr moved a vote of thanks to Juanita Warner who has been acting in the role of Chief Executive Officer during the absence of the Chief Executive Officer.

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CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 12.08 pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 25TH DAY OF JANUARY 2022



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MAYOR/CHAIR