

# AGENDA NUMBULWAR LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING WEDNESDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 2019

Notice is given that the next Numbulwar Local Authority Meeting of the Roper Gulf Regional Council will be held on:

- Wednesday, 20 February 2019 at
- The Conference Room Council Service Delivery Centre, Numbulwar
- Commencing at 1030hrs

Your attendance at the meeting will be appreciated.

#### NUMBULWAR CURRENT MEMBERSHIP:

#### **List Members of LA**

#### **Elected Members**

- 1. Mayor Judy MacFARLANE
- 2. Councillor Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR
- 3. Councillor David MURRUNGUN

#### **Appointed Members**

- 1. VACANT
- 2. Felicity Kym RAMI
- 3. Douglas WUNUNGMURRA
- 4. Roland NUNDHIRRIBALA
- 5. Virginia NUNDHIRRIBALA
- 6. Kaheb NGALMI
- 7. Tanya WILFRED

MEMBERS: 10 COUNCIL: 3

LA: 7

**QUORUM: 6 (minimum requirement)** 

**PROVISIONAL: 5** 

#### **Explanatory Note:**

Meetings must meet a 'quorum' of 50% + 1 of all members.

If no quorum, but a majority of appointed members (50% + 1) a 'provisional meeting' can be held.

During a 'provisional meeting', all agenda items may be discussed, and minutes must be kept.

Members at a 'provisional meeting' may by majority vote make recommendations to Council, however the recommendations shall be considered as those of a 'provisional meeting' rather than a Local Authority.

A 'provisional meeting' does not have the powers or function delegated to a Local Authority, and it cannot approve minutes of a Local Authority meeting.

Local Authority appointed members are paid for attending meetings, (not for Informal Meetings or Roper Gulf Regional Council Employees during their hours of work).

## **PLEDGE**

"We pledge to work as one towards a better future through effective use of all resources.

We have identified these key values and principles of Honesty, Equality, Accountability, Respect and Trust as being integral in the achievement of our vision, that the Roper Gulf Regional Council is Sustainable, Viable and Vibrant".

## PRAMIS BLA WI

"Mela pramis bla wek gudbalawei bla meigim futja bla wi wanwei, en bla yusim ola gudwan ting bla helpum wi luk lida.

Mela bin luk ol dijlod rul, ebrobodi gada tok trubalawei, wi gada meik so wi gibit firgo en lisin misalp, abum rispek en trastim misalp bla jinggabat bla luk lida, Roper Galf Rijinul Kaunsul deya maindim en kipbum bla wi pramis, dum wek brabli gudbalawei, en im laibliwan"

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#### **CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**ITEM NUMBER** 5.1

TITLE Confirmation of Previous Numbulwar Local

**Authority Meeting Minutes** 

REFERENCE 789068

**AUTHOR** Prerna RAMAWAT, Governance Officer

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes Confirmation of previous Meeting Minutes held on 9 October 2018.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Numbulwar Local Authority met at the Conference Room Council Service Delivery Centre, Numbulwar on Tuesday 9 October 2018.

Attached are the minutes of the meetings.

The Numbulwar Local Authority scheduled on 11 December 2018 cancelled due to lack of quorum.

#### **ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT**

NIL

#### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

NIL

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Numbulwar Local Authority 2018-10-09 [765616].DOCX



MINUTES OF THE NUMBULWAR LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM COUNCIL SERVICE DELIVERY CENTRE, NUMBULWAR ON TUESDAY, 9 OCTOBER 2018 AT 10.30AM

#### PRESENT/STAFF/GUESTS

#### 1.1 Elected Members

Mayor Judy MACFARLANE
Councillor Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR
Councillor David MURRUNGUN

#### 1.2 Local Authority Members

Felicity RAMI Virginia NUNDHIRRIBALA

#### 1.3 Staff

Sharon HILLEN – Acting Chief Executive Officer
John TEREPO – Council Services Coordinator
Jessma SAYLOR – Senior Administration Support Officer
(Minute Taker)

#### 1.4 Guests

Rodney HOFFMAN - Department of Housing and Community Department

#### **MEETING OPENED**

Meeting opened at 10:30AM

#### **WELCOME TO COUNTRY**

Councillor Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR welcomed members, staff and guests and the Roper Gulf Regional Council Pledge was read.

#### **APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

116/2018 RESOLVED (Felicity Kym Rami/Virginia Nundhirribala)

- (a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority accept the apologies of the following Local Authority Members:
  - Roland NUNDHIRRIBALA
  - Ella GEIA
  - Douglas WUNUNGMURRA

#### **CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

#### 5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

117/2018 RESOLVED (Felicity Kym Rami/Virginia Nundhirribala)

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority approve the minutes as a true and accurate record of the Numbulwar Local Authority's meeting held Tuesday 12 June 2018.

#### **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest at this Numbulwar Local Authority Meeting.

#### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

#### 8.1 ACTION LIST

118/2018 RESOLVED (David Murrungun/Felicity Kym Rami)

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes the Action List.

Date	Agenda Item #	Item Description	Responsible Person	Status	Status Comments - Completion Date
12.10.16	12.4 Safe House <b>LOT 143</b>	To advocate for Numbulwar community to gain support for a Safe House  ACTION: Write to PMC regarding the opportunity to engage and collaborate with Stronger Communities for Children (SCfC).	GEC/ DCCS	Ongoing – the need is high and the project a priority	21/11/17 There is no GEC here currently. Sharon will talk to NLC. There is an AGM at Numbirindi Aboriginal Corporation next week and the proposal for a Safe House will be tabled.  09/10/18: Waiting for Department of Health to respond.  1. Safe House 2. SCfC Program – CEO to enquire 3. Community Members don't want to send Oldies to other towns and would rather provide the service.  Note: CEO suggested that is Aged Care moves to Lot 284. The current Aged Care facility could become the Safe House.

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26.09.17	12.2 OLD CLINIC LOT 284	The old clinic housing the Aged Care facility and establishing a safe house in the old aged care facility.  ACTION: CEO and Mayor to meet with Health Minister.	CEO/ DCCS	Ongoing	15/12/17 At the OCM Council supported seeking a Section 19 on the Numbulwar Old Clinic – to move the Council Aged Care to the old Clinic.  09/10/18: Currently don't have the funds to repair Lot 284.  Health Department still has ownership over building.  1. Land Tenure  2. Repairs and Upgrade  3. Funding
26.09.17	12.3 PRIORITIE S IN THE COMMUNI TY	Original ACTION: Portable Toilet block for festivals and events - investigate options and specifics, such as pipes and connection points.  NOTE: Community to contract Roper Gulf Regional Council.	Miguel/ DCCS	Ongoing	20/03/18 Festival Committee has been informed. Festival DATE: 13/09/2018  09/10/18  ACTION: Investigate Lot between Lot 274 & 90 for location of Toilet Block. CEO to put together map story to be provided to NLC meeting 12/11/2018.
26.09.17	12.3 PRIORITIE S IN THE COMMUNI TY	ACTION: To investigate the costs and specifics for a waterless toilet system for Numbulwar Airport.	Miguel/ DCCS	Ongoing	31/10/17 To investigate options. QUOTE: \$87,000 for instalment.
26.09.17	12.3 PRIORITIE S IN THE COMMUNI TY	ACTION: Sharon to telephone NLC to help organise and get back to Councillor's & Ella; and  ACTION: NTG  Numbulwar Yearly Report - Get it regarding cemetery, email John & print off for Cr's & LA members.  ACTION: CSC John Terepo to work with Councillor's, LA Members, TO's/ Elders, community members in locating proposed new suitable sites.	Sharon/Cr's/ Ella/ John CSC	Ongoing	21/11/17 To also mark out where all existing cemeteries are and proposed new suitable locations, including peg down and mark up areas with CSC, Councillor's, LA Members, TO's/Elders. Then take back this information to NLC.  09/10/18: Cr David has spoken with Elder of Community. Flier to be completed to show proposed site to help spread the word. Graves need to be marked at Old Cemetery. ACTION: CEO to request EOI at NLC meeting 12/11/2018.

21.11.17	12.3 WASTE MANAGEM ENT - NEW FACILITY	Original ACTION: DCCS to continue to liaise with the NLC with regards to approvals for developments.	Sharon DCCS	Ongoing	Talk to Northern Land     Council regarding location     of site.     START work and clean the     site up.      O9/10/18: CSC has met with     Contractors EOI to be presented     at NLC meeting 12/11/2018.
	12.4 FREIGHT HUB PROJECT	Original ACTION: DCCS to obtain minutes/debrief regarding the recent NLC meeting for clarification.	Sharon DCCS	Ongoing	
13.02.18	Community Safety Program	Community Safety Meeting to be held once a month.	DCCS	Ongoing	09/10/18 ACTION: CSC to organize a Community Meeting with Police and Elders to have frequent meeting to discuss Community Safety issues as they arise.
09.10.18	Tank Corner – Black Spot		CSC/ DCCS	Ongoing	09/10/18: Solar Light is required for Black Spot.

#### **INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE**

NIL

#### **OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE**

NIL

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

#### 11.1 FUNDING FOR NUMBULWAR SPORT AND RECREATION HALL

119/2018 RESOLVED (Virginia Nundhirribala/David Murrungun)

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority approves an allocation of \$55,000 (GST Exclusive) in Local Authority Project Funding for upgrades to the Numbulwar Sport and Recreation Hall.

#### 11.2 REGIONAL PLAN 2018-2019

120/2018 RESOLVED (David Murrungun/Felicity Kym Rami)

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes the 2018-2019 Regional Plan.

#### 11.3 DOG DETERRENTS

121/2018 RESOLVED (Virginia Nundhirribala/David Murrungun)

- (a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes the Dog Deterrents Report from the Department of Housing and Community Development;
- (b) That the Numbulwar Local Authority endorse the use of 'Dog Dazers' in Numbulwar for Department of Housing and Community Development staff.

#### 11.4 DANGEROUS DOGS REPORT

General discussion surrounding:

- Fencing is an issue in Community,
- Upstairs and downstairs houses require their own yard,
- Pigs and other animals become problem animals within Community.

122/2018 RESOLVED (David Murrungun/Felicity Kym Rami)

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes this report regarding Dangerous Dogs.

#### 11.5 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

123/2018 RESOLVED (David Murrungun/Felicity Kym Rami)

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes updates on CDP Report.

#### 11.6 COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

124/2018 RESOLVED (David Murrungun/Virginia Nundhirribala)

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes the Community Safety report for the 9 October 2018 meeting.

#### 11.7 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORT

125/2018 RESOLVED (Edwin Nunggumajbarr/Virginia Nundhirribala)

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes the Council Services report.

#### 11.8 ELECTED MEMBERS REPORT

126/2018 RESOLVED (David Murrungun/Virginia Nundhirribala)

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes the Elected Member Report.

#### 11.9 COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT - 4TH QUARTER EXPENDITURE REPORT

127/2018 RESOLVED (Virginia Nundhirribala/Felicity Kym Rami)

- (a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes the Financial (Expenditure) Report for the fourth Quarter of 2017-18;
- (b) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes the LA Project Expenditure Report as at 30th June 2018;
- (c) An additional \$10,000 from the Numbulwar Local Authority Project Funding to be put aside for freight for toilets at airport. Total Local Authority funds allocated: \$97,000;
- (d) Furthermore, the Numbulwar Local Authority approves \$40,000 for playground equipment.

#### 0.0 NUMBULWAR LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT REGISTER UPDATE

#### RECOMMENDATION

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes the updated report on Local Authority Project Funding until 20 September 2018.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

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#### **CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting terminated at 3:05PM.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 12 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Numbulwar Local Authority Meeting HELD ON Tuesday, 9 October 2018 AND CONFIRMED Tuesday, 11 December 2018.

Chairperson

#### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**ITEM NUMBER** 8.1

TITLE Action List REFERENCE 789071

AUTHOR Prerna RAMAWAT, Governance Officer

# RECOMMENDATION:

#### (a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes the Action List.

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Attachment 1 Kazuba toilets.docx



Kazuba toilets – an all-in-one integrated toilet and building solution

The Kazuba toilet system offers something not seen in Australia before. An all-in-one, integrated toilet and building system that requires no water, electricity, has no smell and doesn't need to be raised off the ground (easier handicap access).

With no internal moving parts and simple robust design, the medium density polyethylene means easy installation and little to no maintenance.

The system is designed to use the sun's energy to heat the system combined with an extractor that's powered by the wind, it's the perfect all-in-one composting toilet system that doesn't require electricity or water.

#### All-in-one solution

The unique, flat-packed all-in-one design means that installation is quick and easy and everything can be delivered to you on just one pallet. Simple and effective.

#### Accessible

Because these toilet buildings are built on the ground and the dehydration elements are buried, they make the perfect solution for sustainable toilet systems that require disabled accessibility.

Highly configurable

The clever door design means it can slide left or right depending on the site demands and the plastic composting/exhaust section can always face the best sunlight.

#### Large Capacity

With up to 25 people per day full time use, the Kazuba public toilet system is a perfect option for clients wanting a public toilet that's environmentally friendly, is easy to install and beneficial to your budget.

#### Continuous Dehydration

As all liquid is evaporated from the system, waste can be reduced in size by up to 90% meaning maintenance and composting can happen all year round.

#### Easy Maintenance

Made to be washed on the inside with a high pressure cleaner if needed the easy to maintain and clean setup of the Kazbua system means it's the perfect solution for remote or hard to get to sites.

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Kazuba STK System (ex Pedestal) SKU K-STK ex ped

Kazuba KL2-pmr Building Kit with cedar cladding SKU BA-KL2-pmr kit

AU\$4,345.00

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

ITEM NUMBER 11.1

**TITLE** Costings for erection of Bus Shelter

REFERENCE 789081

AUTHOR Alisha Sullivan, Executive Assistant to Director of Council and

Community Services

#### RECOMMENDATION

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes costings for erection of Bus Shelter.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Several Local Authorities have queried erection of Bus Shelters in their communities and the associated costings. This report is provided for the purposes of information only with relation to the Bus Shelter constructed at Beswick.

The Beswick Local Authority raised concerns about community members not being protected from the weather when waiting at the bus shelter.

The Beswick Local Authority requested Council investigate the purchase and erection of a larger shelter for their community.

Council approached Hohn's Sheetmetal in Katherine who provided the design for a 6m x 6m structure, enclosed on three sides with standalone seating.

The walls of the structure do not run completely to the ground to allow for air flow in the heat and water run off in the wet.

The seating is separate from the structure to allow sectional replacement rather than replacing the whole wall if the structure is damaged.

The shade structure was delivered to site as a 'flat-pack' and erected by CDP Trailer/Builder, CDP Participants and Municipal Staff.

Beswick community was fortunate to have a 3m x 3m concrete pad on site, so the Municipal team extended the slab to accommodate the 6m x 6m shade structure.



#### **ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT**

#### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Costings for the Beswick Bus Shelter were as follows:

ITEM	COST
Shelter	\$6,941.00
Seating	\$2,035.00
Concrete (hand mixed)	\$1,920.00
TOTAL	\$10,896.00

<sup>\*\*</sup> Note: Beswick Municipal Staff hand mixed the concrete.

Communities need to factor in delivery costs of concrete if not mixing onsite.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

**ITEM NUMBER** 11.2

TITLE Resignation of Local Authority Member

REFERENCE 789082

AUTHOR Cristian Coman, Manager - Governance and Corporate Planning

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes the resignation of Ella GEIA who resigned from the Authority on Tuesday 20 November 2018;

(b) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes the call for nomination for Membership on the Numbulwar Local Authority called by the Finance Committee on 28 November 2018.

#### **BACKGROUND**

NIL

#### ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

NIL

#### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

NIL

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

ITEM NUMBER 11.3

TITLE Major Projects Updates

REFERENCE 789083

**AUTHOR** Prerna RAMAWAT, Governance Officer

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes Major Projects Updates Report.

# BACKGROUND Background

#### **Old Clinic**

Council has been working with NT Health to determine the value of taking on the OLD Clinic. We have been advised against it and are now seeking investment from government or the private sector to build new purpose built facilities.

#### **Remote Barge Landing Project**

This Northern Territory Government and Council project is due for completion of the design and documentation stage. Yet to see the final designs. It may provide some changes down at the barge landing.

#### **Council Office**

The Numbulwar Office Development is about 3-5 years out. We are currently doing Borroloola this year; Mataranka in 19/20; Ngukurr 21/22 then Numbulwar.

#### **New Cemetery**

Council is putting an expression of interest to the Northern Land Council and Traditional Owners for a new cemetery adjacent to the airstrip on red soil country. Our Councillors have been working with Traditional Owners to get the location right.

#### **Waste Management Facility**

With no subdivision on the horizon Council are going to remain at our existing site. Council can't meet weather compliance at the new site and we are commencing rehabilitation of the existing site and reducing our operating footprint.

#### Roads

Council is currently investigating the upgrade to the main roads in Numbulwar; we are expecting this to come in at several millions of dollars in the new financial year.

#### **Proposed Toilet Block on Foreshore**

Council is investigating the development of public toilets on the foreshore. We have identified a lot next door to the VOQ and Lot 90. This is a vacant space and may be able to be developed into a public toilet block for the festival and other events on the foreshore.

#### **Sport and Rec Hall**

Council has just completed a \$150k upgrade to the sport and rec hall it is now air-conditioned and arranged to have a cool breakout space for youth sport and rec.

#### **ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT**

NIL

#### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

NIL

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

**ITEM NUMBER** 11.4

**TITLE** Power and Water Corporation presentation

REFERENCE 789085

**AUTHOR** Prerna RAMAWAT, Governance Officer

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes presentation by Power and Water.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Information about Power and Water's upcoming upgrade to the water treatment plant within the existing bore water storage compound.

#### **ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT**

NIL

#### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

NIL

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Fact Sheet - Numbulwar Water Quality - pdf version - 16 August 2010.pdf

POWER AND WATER CORPORATION

# **Numbulwar Water Quality**

People at Numbulwar have been asking questions about the water quality. This fact sheet aims to answer some of your questions.

#### Why does the water look brown, taste and smell different?

Water at Numbulwar comes from underground and has been there for thousands of years. Under the ground, the water goes through the rocks and soil, and tiny amounts of the elements that are normally found in the rocks dissolves into the water. These elements are not things we can see with your eyes, but the experts have told us that it is iron and manganese that have come out of the rocks and gone into the water changing how the water looks, tastes and smells.

Here is what we know about these two elements in your water:

- Iron is not bad for your health, but can change the taste of the water.
- Manganese can make the water look brown and taste different, but is not bad for your health when it is only found in small amounts.
- Small germs that are found in all water sources grow very quickly when there is a lot of iron and manganese in the water, this can make the water smell different.

#### Is there any other water we can use?

Some water was found further away from the community, while this new water source would mean more water for your community it would still be of the same colour and smell as what your community uses now.

Access to freshwater in the Rose River is a long way up the river. We still can not supply this water to your community for two reasons:

- It would cost a lot of money to bring the water the long distance from the river to your community; and
- River water can be easily contaminated by activities happening near the river, example farming. These activities can make the water unsafe to drink.

#### Can the water make me sick?

The water is disinfected (cleaned) after it is pumped from under the ground. This makes sure that any germs in the water are killed so the water is safe to drink. Germs are the things that cause upset stomachs and things like that.

The brown coloured water won't make you or anyone in the community sick.

Power and Water regularly checks that the system that cleans the water is working well. Experts test the water for germs and make sure there are none and it is safe to drink.

PowerWater

Last updated September 2010

POWER AND WATER CORPORATION

#### Should I drink bottled water?

The water from the tap is safe to drink. It may have a different taste and look to water in other communities without the same amount of iron and manganese in it, but the water is safe to drink.

If you don't like the taste or look of the water then it is ok to drink bottled water to keep hydrated and healthy, however, bottled water is very expensive. It can cost more than 1,500 times more than tap water. Tap water is free. Using bottles also means there is more mess and rubbish in the community.

#### Can I wash my clothes in this water?

Yes you can wash your clothes in the water but the iron and manganese in the water may stain them, particularly white coloured clothes.

#### What is Power and Water doing about the water?

At some communities, including Numbulwar the water storage tanks are cleaned out every year and the pipes that carry the water from the tanks to your house are flushed every week.

Power and Water knows that some people don't like the look, taste and smell of the water at Numbulwar. To help improve the look, taste and smell of the water over the next couple of months, Power and Water are going to do more to try and clean up the water.

We are going to get water for the community from different bores with less iron and manganese, and we are also going to clean the pipes that deliver the water to the storage tanks. We will then monitor the situation to see if the look and taste of the water is improved.

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#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

**ITEM NUMBER** 11.5

TITLE Cemetery Master Plan Report

REFERENCE 789086

**AUTHOR** Sharon Hillen, Director of Council and Community Services

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes the cemetery Master Plan.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Council has address the long term issues of identifying the location of neighbouring bores and determine the area allowed for burials on the existing site.

Council is working to establish a new burial ploy layout to ensure contemporary standards are introduced to the Roper Gulf Region. These standards will ensure improved service delivery including – operational management and maintenance as well as plot identification and record maintenance.

Work has commenced at Borroloola Cemetery to formalise plots and headstone layout. This design is transferrable to all Council cemeteries and is an example of the future layout proposed by Council.

The proposed layout is similar to the Katherine Town Cemetery and allows for better management of the site whilst maximising the use of the space, prolong the 'life' of the facility.

Plots are numbered and can be procured in advance through a reservation process as part of the Cemetery Registration Process. *Example – family groups may book 2 sites for Husband and Wife* 

Headstone size and type can be determined and will need to suit the headboard delineating plots.

NB: due to technical issues other attachments will be tabled at the meeting.

#### ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

NIL

#### FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

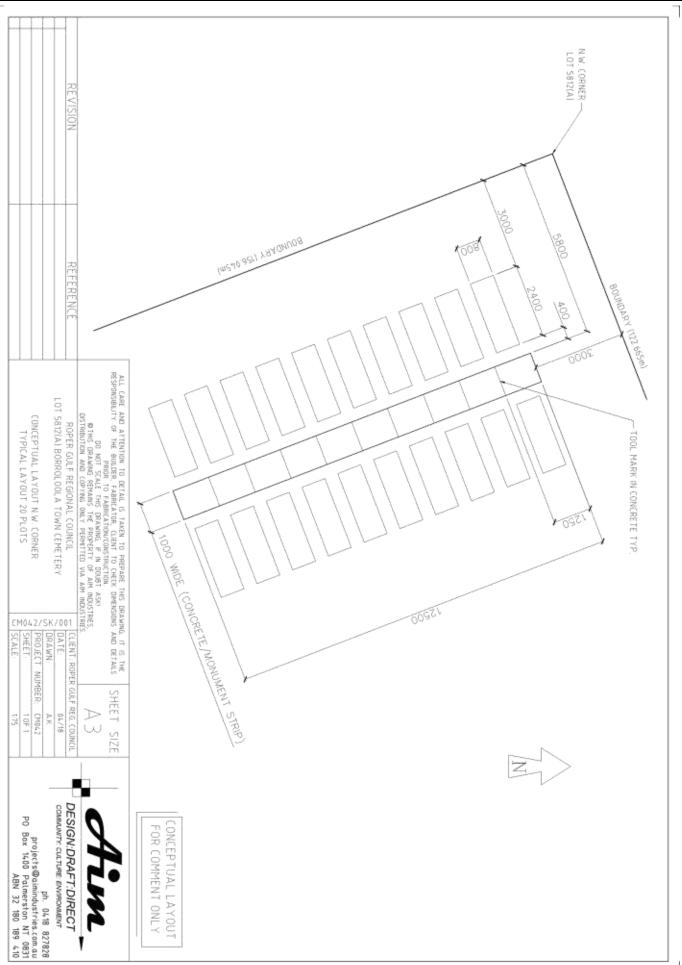
Current Budget has \$10,000 to contribute to the plot layout. This work will be completed under a regional contract which will be let once the decision to adopt the layout is approved by the December Round of Local Authority meetings.

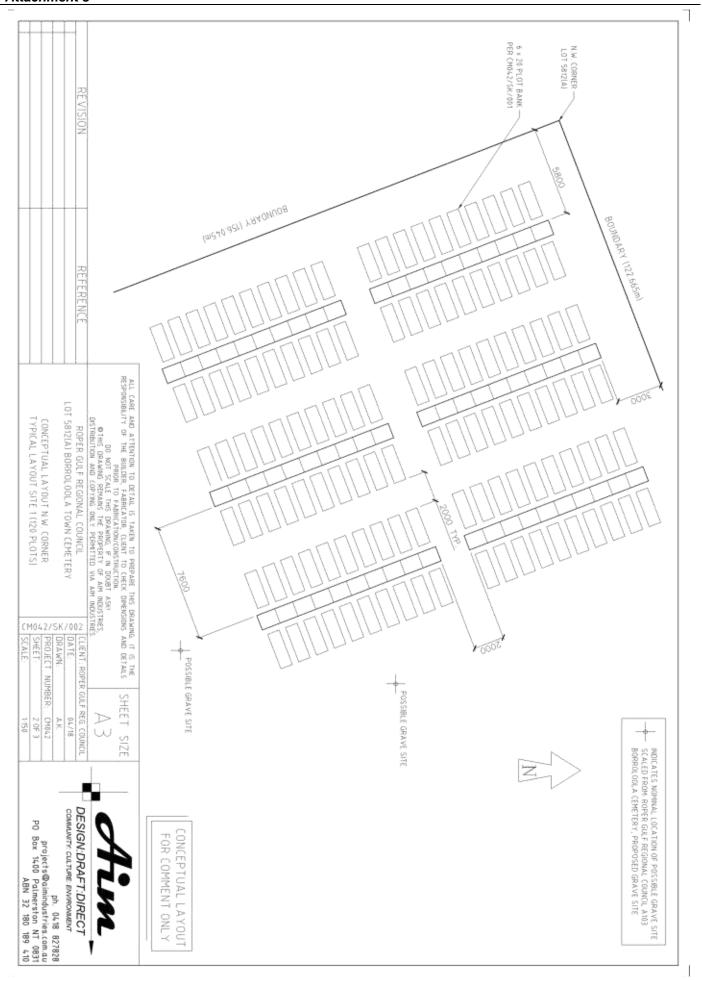
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#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

**ITEM NUMBER** 11.6

**TITLE** Elected Members Report

REFERENCE 789671

**AUTHOR** Prerna RAMAWAT, Governance Officer

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes the Elected Member Report.

#### **BACKGROUND**

This Elected Member Report is designed to give Local Authorities an overview of Agenda Items that have been raised and decisions made at the Ordinary Meeting of Council since the last Local Authority Meeting, in order for them to convey the information to community members.

Complete details can be found in the Agendas and Minutes, which are available on the Council Website and at Council Offices.

#### ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

At the Finance Committee Meeting of Council held in Katherine on 30 January 2019: The Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting are publicly available on Council's website.

#### **Decisions include:**

- That the Finance Committee adopts the new Procurement Policy.
- That the Finance Committee sign and seal the 2018-19 agreement for Local Authority Project Funding for the Urapunga Local Authority.
- That the Finance Committee accept the variation to the Community Home Support Program by signing, dating, and affixing the Common Seal to one copy of the Deed of Variation
- That the Finance Committee accept the funding offer of \$51,600 (GST Exclusive) for the Ngukurr Sport and Recreation Precinct Master Plan, by signing, dating, and affixing the Common Seal to one copy of the Agreement.
- That the Finance Committee accept two variations to the School Nutrition Program, for total funding of \$381,914 (GST Exclusive), by signing, dating, and affixing the Common Seal to one copy of the Deed of Variation.
- That the Finance Committee accept the variation to the Indigenous Youth Reconnect Program, by signing and dating one copy of the Deed of Variation.
- That the Finance Committee accept Community Child Care Funding variation, by signing, dating, and affixing the Common Seal to one copy of the Deed of Variation.
- That the Finance Committee receives and notes the financial reports as at 31 December 2018.
- That the Finance Committee approves the reallocation of unspent funds from proposed Capex Fleet to be purchased in this report, to be used for the purchase or a Backhoe which has come in at \$8,500 over the allocated budget.
- That the Finance Committee approves the following Purchases of Capital Fleet items as per the Capital Expenditure Budget:
  - 4x Front End Loaders from Forklift Solutions
  - 1x Backhoe from Forklift Solutions
  - Telehandler from Forklift Solutions.

- That the Finance Committee receives and notes the report on the Larrimah Bore situation at the 30 January 2019 meeting.
- That the Finance Committee receives and notes the below report outlining updates on 2 Crawford Street project.
- That the Finance Committee approves the following persons for the tender assessment panels for the Borroloola Multi-purpose Courts and the Ngukurr Oval Light projects:
  - Chief Executive Officer
  - Director Commercial Services
  - Manager Contracts
  - Projects Coordinator
- That the Finance Committee receives and notes the review of the Roper Gulf Regional Council Finance Committee Terms of Reference.
- That the Finance Committee approves the release of an expression of interest for the Independent Member of the Finance Committee.
- That the Finance Committee approves the 2019 Meeting Calendar as amended.
- That the Finance Committee have designs and costings to put before the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 27 February 2019.
- That the Finance Committee approves the changes to the staff plan in respect to the CDP Mechanical Activity Supervisor at Numbulwar to reflect the changes approved in Councils budget amendments, approved by the Councils Finance Committee in November 2018.
- That the Finance Committee adopts the previous minutes of the confidential session of the 28 November 2018 Finance Committee Meeting as a true and accurate record of that meeting and its decisions.
- That the Finance Committee endorses the awarding of tender ROPER-834916 The Barunga Sporting Oval Lights to All Regions Electrical for the value of \$530,000.00.
- That the Finance Committee receives and notes the 2017-18 Management Letter.
- That the Finance Committee approves the rates exemption request from Sunrise Health Service Aboriginal Corporation.

## At the Roads Committee Meeting held in Katherine on 24 October 2018: The Minutes of the Roads Committee Meeting are publicly available on Council's website.

#### **Decisions include:**

- The Roads Committee receives and notes its Terms of Reference
- The Roads Committee recommends Terms of Reference be amended to change size of Committee to six (6) Elected Members, including the Mayor;
- That the Roads Committee develops a Work Plan
- That the Roads Committee nominates meeting dates for 2019
- That the Roads Committee receives and notes the report of current roads Projects
- That the Roads Committee nominates the following roads projects as priority matters for approval by Council:
  - 1) Weemol \$69,000 to be allocated for design and scoping;
  - 2) Bulman Roads and Drains obtain quote;
  - 3) Borroloola Town Camp (GARAWA 1 and 2, YANYULA) co-contribution of \$300,000. Council to advocate to stakeholders for additional funding (\$800,000 benchmark);
  - 4) Design and Documentation for Jilkminggan's main road (Jilkminggan Rd), Urapunga Store and Mataranka cemetery car-park (\$100,000);
  - 5) Hodgson Downs / Minyerri the Roads Committee supports compounding of LA grants, additional \$14,000 from FAG Roads, and for Council to allocate \$100,000 additional funding for roads;
  - 6) Larrimah and Daly Waters \$250,000 for reseal of roads;
  - 7) Manyallaluk investigate edges, culverts, seals, drainage

- That the Roads Committee receives and notes the Tonkin Road and Storm Water Audit report.
- That the Roads Committee adds an eighth priority to previous resolution to include investigations into high-priority needs roads projects in Numbulwar.

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council held in Katherine on 19 December 2018: The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council are publicly available on Council's website.

#### **Decisions include:**

That the council receives and notes the following Ward reports:

- South West Gulf Ward Report
- Never Never Ward Report
- Yugul Mangi Ward Report
- Nyirranggulung Ward Report
- Numbulwar Numburindi Ward Report

That the Council approves the recommendations of the following Local Authority:

- Borroloola Local Authority from the minutes 31 October 2018.
- Jilkminggan Local Authority from the minutes 02 October 2018.
- Mataranka Local Authority from the minutes 08 October 2018.
- Hodgson Downs Local Authority from the minutes 11 October 2018.
- Barunga Local Authority from the minutes 16 October 2018.
- Beswick Local Authority from the minutes 22 October 2018.
- Manyallaluk Local Authority from the minutes 22 October 2018.
- Numbulwar Local Authority from the minutes 09 October 2018.
- That the Council receives and notes the Mayor report.
- That the Council supports the license application for the Larrimah hotel in general and aims to provide feedback in regards to concerns about late trading hours.
- That the Council receives and notes the resignation of Geoff Bishop, Independent Member of the Finance Committee.
- That the Council decides whether or not to continue having an independent member on the Finance Committee.
- That the Council approves 6 members for the Urapanga Local Authority: Cleven Woods, Antonella Pascoe, Annie Daniels, Richard Collins, Elaine Duncan and Clifford Duncan.
- That the Council decides the inaugural and subsequent meeting dates of the Urapanga Local Authority.
- That the Council considers the invitation of the minister for housing and Community Development, and other dignitaries for the inaugural meeting of the Urapanga Local authority.
- That Council adopts the revised dates for the 2019 Meeting Calendar for council meetings, Committee Meetings and Local Authority Meetings.
- That Council receives and notes summary of National Local Roads and Transport Congress Conference in Alice Springs from the Elected Members who attended the Conference.
- That Council receives and notes the update from the elected members who attended the 2019 LGANT Annual General meeting.
- That Council accepts the Town Camps Program funding offer of \$1,100,000(GST Inclusive) from Department of Housing and Community Development for works to occur in the Mulgan town Camp.
- That Council adopts the Town Camps Dwelling Funding Agreement TC0004 by signing and affixing the document with the Common seal.

- That Council receives and notes update from the Department of Housing and Community Development pertaining to support and training of Local Authority members.
- That Council endorses the draft Beswick Community land Use Plan.
- That Council endorses the draft Bulman Community land use plan, subject to the changes recommended by the Bulman/Weemol Local Authority at the Local Authority Meeting on 05 Dec 2018.
- That Council endorses the Weemol Community Land Use Plan.
- That Council endorses the reclassification of the level 4 Information Technology Officer position to a level 5/6 Information Technology Coordinator.
- That Council receives and notes Service Delivery over the Christmas Period.
- That Council receives and adopts the report for Community Services.
- That Council receives and notes the financial reports as at 30 November 2018.
- That Council receives and notes the Call for Motions Discussion paper 2019 published by the National General Assembly of Local Government 2019.
- That Council is to appoint a tender assessment panel for the Bulman workshop project to include the Director of Commercial Services, Project Manager, Project Coordinator and Contract Manager.
- That the CEO is to investigate the advice provided to a job applicant in Borroloola.
- That Council receives and notes the request to read out the Australian Citizenship Affirmation at its Australia day events in 2019.
- That Council receives the report from the Department of Housing and Community Development.
- That Council resolves to engage the services of Mr. Mark Blackburn in accordance with the document titled Blackburn Consultancy.
- That Council receives and notes the Addendum.
- That the report of the CEO review be deferred to the February 2019 Ordinary Meeting of Council.
- That Council receives and notes the report in relation to progress and expenditure of the 2 Crawford Street project.
- That Council receives and notes the report in relation to the Barunga Oval Light Tenders.
- That Council delegates authority to the Acting Chief Executive Officer to award a tender in relation to the Barunga Oval Lights project.

Special Meeting of Council held on 18 January 2019, the meeting was conducted in confidential session and the resulting resolutions are confidential.

### FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

 $\overline{\mathsf{NIL}}$ 

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

**ITEM NUMBER** 11.7

**TITLE** The Draft burial and Cremation Bill 2018

Report - DHCD

REFERENCE 793562

**AUTHOR** Prerna RAMAWAT, Governance Officer

#### RECOMMENDATION

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes The Draft Burial and Cremation Bill 2018 report.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Department of Housing and Community Development will do the presentation on the Draft Burial and Cremation Bill 2018 that is out for consultation.

Presentation will take approximately 15 minutes plus questions time.

Copies will be provided as a handout. A copy of the draft Bill will also be provided as a handout.

The draft Burial and Cremation Bill 2018 has been released for public consultation and comment. More information on the Bill including FAQs can be found at <a href="https://dhcd.nt.gov.au/publications-and-policies/draft-northern-territory-burial-andcremation-bill">https://dhcd.nt.gov.au/publications-and-policies/draft-northern-territory-burial-andcremation-bill</a>

Submissions close on 31 March 2019. Questions about the Bill and submissions can be made, please email baca@nt.gov.au

#### ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

NIL

#### FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

NIL

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

**ITEM NUMBER** 11.8

TITLE LAPF Acquittals

REFERENCE 793869

**AUTHOR** Josh Chevailer-Brine, Grants Coordinator

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes the 2017-18 LAPF Certification Form, signed by the CEO on 12 December 2018.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Under the Local Authority Project Funding (LAPF) Funding Guidelines the CEO is required to certify that funds have been expended in accordance with the Guidelines, the *Local Government Act*, the *Local Government (Accounting) Regulations*, and the Northern Territory Government's Buy Local Policy.

Each certification was signed by the Acting CEO on 12 December 2018 and is tabled before your Local Authority members as required by the Guidelines (see attached and below summary).

Local Authority: Numbulwar	
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACQUITTAL FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30 JUNE 2018	
LAPF Grant	\$159,710.00
Other income/carried forward balance from 2016-17	\$398,800.74
Total income	\$558,510.74
Expenditure	\$367,915.70
Total Expenditure	\$367,915.70
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$190,595.04

#### ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Nil

#### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

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scal Authority: Numbulwar	
Local Authority: Numbulwar File number: LGR2016/00050	
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We certify that the LAPF was spent in accordance with:	
the projects submitted by the Local Authority	Yes No D
the LAPF funding guidelines	Yes of No a
<ul> <li>the Local Government Act and the Local Government (Accounting) Regulation</li> </ul>	Yes d No a
the Northern Territory Government's Buy Local Policy	Yes of No o
Certification report prepared by Joshua Chevaller-Brine:	13/12/2018
Acquittals laid before Council at OCM (copy of minutes attached):	29/08/2018
Signed, Marc Gardner, CEO (A/g):	13/12/2018
DEPARTMENTAL USE ONLY	
Grant amount correct:	Yes a No a
Balance of funds to be spent	S
Date next certification due:	
CERTIFICATION ACCEPTED:	Yes a No a
Comments:	

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

ITEM NUMBER 11.9

TITLE Council Services Report

REFERENCE 794247

**AUTHOR** Prerna RAMAWAT, Governance Officer

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

#### (a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes Council Services Report

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Council Services report outlines the actions undertaken and issues identified relating to the delivery of core services and infrastructure in Numbulwar since the last Local Authority Meeting. Community Safety also forms a part of this report.

# NUMBULWAR Core Services

#### 111 - Councils Services General

- Council continue to deliver core services in the community, with the new year upon us we have existing projects to finish before the end of the financial year.
- We will be continuing with our new garden patches around the council office in the next few months both lawns and plants.

#### 160 - Municipal Services.

- The Municipal services team is focusing in mowing and slashes of the parks and public spaces in the next few months and with our new Zero Turn Ride On mower helps getting the job done.
- Municipal Services have doing road and pot holes repairs throughout the community.
- The Waste Disposal Facility has just had a makeover and is now looking fantastic. All
  the damaged vehicles and discarded white goods have been moved away from the
  domestic waste and placed in a safe zone. This should minimize the flies in the
  community and the smoke when the community members burn the rubbish.
- We have checked and monitor the new proposal cemetery ground and it seem very suitable for purpose as it is on a slide higher ground.

#### **Community Services**

#### 346 - Indigenous Broadcasting

• We are awaiting a referral from the local school as they have shown interest in filling the position with a young school leaver.

#### 404 - Indigenous Sport and Recreation

Numbers are up and the Indigenous Sport and rec program is working well. There
has been some activities in the past month and the staffs have been on the ball with
the program.

#### 415 - Indigenous Youth Reconnect

- We have a great team running this program and it is ongoing with the help from both police and night patrol.
- 401 –Night Patrol

Night Patrol have been doing some work in the community with youths, ensuring they are safe and offering rides home. They are also frequenting card games and offering

rides to young people to go home to a safe place. Night Patrol Staff recently completed training in Certificate IIII in Night Patrol and celebrated in Katherine. RGRC Night Patrol staff continue to work closely with the police and community in regards to community safety.

# **Agency Services**

# 350 – Centrelink

 The Centrelink staff are doing extremely well and have been highly complimented by the travelling Supervisors who come out to support them. The Staff are learning to communicate more with head office and notify them of closures or absences.

# **ATTACHMENTS**:

# **GENERAL BUSINESS**

ITEM NUMBER 11.10

TITLE Community Safety Report

REFERENCE 794505

**AUTHOR** Prerna RAMAWAT, Governance Officer

# **RECOMMENDATION**

# (a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes Community Safety Report.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Area Manager of Roper Region continues to oversee the management of the community safety program at Ngukurr, Numbulwar, Urapunga and Borroloola with support from the Community Safety Coordinator's, and other coordinators and staff on community for community services.

# Community Safety Program (formerly Night Patrol)

# 401 – Community Safety

- Community Safety Patrol has been busy dealing with numerous break-ins and vandalisms on community over the holiday period.
- School Holidays went by without too many issues, apart from the break-ins happening after hours when Night Patrol have finished the nightly patrols.
- Night Patrol staff have been recording the people attending gambling circles on their stat sheets, they have been actively going to these places and finding children that may need to go home and providing them with a ride, connecting them with family members or taking them home to a safe place.

# 404 – Indigenous Sport and Recreation

• Gymnastics, netball, football and basketball were some of the competitive sporting programs that were delivered over the holidays.

# 407 - Remote Sport and Recreation

- Workshops during the holiday period Basketball NT
- Workshops during and after school from Gymnastics NT
- Currently staff vacancies, recruitment is occurring. Program is still operating with the Coordinator. Waiting for the renovation in the SnR hall to occur. Clean up of the outside area is being completed by the MUNS team.

# 415 - Indigenous Youth Reconnect

· Currently Staff vacancies, recruitment is occurring.

# ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

NII

# **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

NIL

# **ATTACHMENTS:**

There are no attachments for this report.

# **GENERAL BUSINESS**

ITEM NUMBER 11.11

TITLE Guideline 8

REFERENCE 794996

AUTHOR Cristian Coman, Manager - Governance and Corporate Planning

# **RECOMMENDATION**

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes the revised Ministerial Guideline 8 pertaining to Local Authorities.

# **BACKGROUND**

On 07 January 2019 the Minister for Housing and Community Development adopted a revised Ministerial Guideline 8 pertaining to Local Authorities.

# ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

The new Guideline 8 requires Council to publicly list the members of Local Authorities on its website. This is currently being actioned.

The Guideline also states that Council can delegate decision-making to Local Authorities. This will be presented to Council at its next meeting on 27 February 2019. It should be noted that decision-making is subject to necessary quorums being attained at Local Authority Meetings.

Provisional meetings cannot make decisions, and as such, Council will assess each Local Authority's attendance pattern before deciding on which decision making delegations it will make.

# **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

N/A

# **ATTACHMENTS:**

1 guideline-8-regional-councils-local-authorities.pdf

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These guidelines are made by the Minister under Parts 5.1A and 19.10 of the Local Government Act.

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# MINISTERIAL APPROVAL

I, Gerald Francis McCarthy, Minister for Housing and Community Development, hereby make these guidelines under Parts 5.1A and 19.10 of the *Local Government Act*.

**GERRY MCCARTHY** 

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These guidelines are made by the Minister under Parts 5.1A and 19.10 of the Local Government Act.

#### 1. Title

 These guidelines are called "Guideline 8: Regional Councils and Local Authorities".

# 2. Commencement

These guidelines commence on the date they are made by the Minister.

# 3. Revocation of previous guidelines

3.1. The version of Guideline 8 that applies on any date is the latest version made at the time. Previous versions do not apply from the date that this guideline is made by the Minister.

#### 4. Definitions

In these guidelines:

appointed member means a member appointed by the council. It does not include elected members who are on the local authority.

elected member means a member of the council who represents a ward that covers the local authority's area and the mayor / president.

provisional meeting means, at the time and place set for a local authority meeting when a quorum has not been established, a majority (over 50%) of appointed members are present.

Note: A provisional meeting is able to make recommendations to council pursuant to clause 11.

quorum means majority (over 50%) of all local authority members including appointed members, elected members and mayor / president are present.

chair is responsible for running the meeting and ensuring that members are following the conventions of the meeting.

#### 5. Where local authorities are to be established and maintained

- A council must have a local authority at places listed in the Schedule to these guidelines.
- 5.2. A council must determine the area for each local authority.

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# 6. Publicly available information

6.1. A council must have an up-to-date list of its local authorities, the names of the members, meeting dates, agendas and minutes available on the council's website.

#### 7. Number of members

7.1. A council must make a resolution about the number of appointed members that a local authority has. There must be at least 6 appointed members and a maximum of 14 members (including elected members), unless the Minister has approved a different maximum number of members for a particular local authority.

Note: Different Local Authorities may have different numbers of members.

# 8. Delegations and conflict of interest

 Subject to the Local Government Act a council can delegate decision making to local authorities.

Note: It is best practice for local authority project expenditure decisions to be delegated to local authorities.

8.2. When a local authority is making a decision, or considering a matter, each member must consider whether they have a conflict of interest and, if so, they must leave the meeting while the matter is considered.

Note: Sections 32 and 73 of the Local Government Act deal with delegations and conflict of interest respectively.

# Policy for member appointments, terminations and resignations

A council must have a policy that provides for:

- The council CEO calling for nominations as soon as practicable after a vacancy arises and allowing at least 21 days for nominations to be received.
- 9.2. How the call for nominations is to be advertised and promoted so that residents of the area know about it, know who to give a nomination to and when nominations close.
- 9.3. Consideration of the nominations received, which must be an agenda item at the first ordinary meeting of council after nominations have closed.

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 How, and in what circumstances, appointment of a local authority member may be revoked.

Note: The policy could require, for example, that the council must give consideration to revoking an appointment where a member is absent, without permission of the local authority, from two consecutive meetings of the local authority.

- The process for the resignation of a local authority member in writing.
- 9.6. Selection process for the chair and the term of appointment of the chair.

Note: It is best practice to have an appointed member as chair with a constant term length (not a rotating chair).

# 10. No proxies

10.1. A local authority member is not allowed to send a proxy or substitute if the member cannot attend a meeting.

# 11. Provisional meeting where quorum not present

- 11.1. If a quorum is not attained for a local authority meeting, but the majority of appointed members are present, the members who are in attendance may hold a provisional meeting.
- 11.2. During a provisional meeting, all agenda items may be discussed. Minutes must be taken and clearly identified that it was a provisional meeting.
- 11.3. Members at a provisional meeting may, by majority vote, make recommendations to the council, including local authority projects, provided any such recommendation is specifically qualified as being a recommendation of a provisional meeting, rather than a local authority.
- 11.4. A provisional meeting can approve the minutes of a provisional meeting but cannot approve the minutes of a local authority meeting. A local authority may approve minutes of a provisional meeting or a local authority meeting.
- 11.5. A provisional meeting does not have the powers or functions that a council may have delegated to a local authority.

# 12. Local authority meetings

12.1. The council CEO must ensure that a minimum of four meetings for each local authority are held in each financial year.

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Note: Either a local authority meeting or a provisional meeting can be counted in reaching the minimum total of four. For example, three provisional meetings and one local authority meeting would make up the required minimum number of four.

- 12.2. The agenda must be prepared in consultation with the Chair of the local authority and include, at least:
  - a. items requested by members;
  - any reports on service delivery issues in the local authority area;
  - any responses by the council to matters raised at a previous local authority meeting or provisional meeting;
  - a written report from the council CEO on current council services in the local authority area and, after any council meeting that considers local authority projects, a report on what project(s) has been approved or the reason why the project(s) has not been approved;
  - e. visitor presentations; and
  - f. general business.
- 12.3. Once in each financial year a local authority agenda must include reviewing:
  - a. the council's annual report for the previous financial year;
  - the council's proposed regional plan for the next financial year;
  - the council's budget for proposed projects for the local authority area for the next financial year; and
  - d. any relevant community plan of the council or local authority.

# 13. Council consideration of minutes

- 13.1. The minutes from local authority meetings or provisional meetings (these will normally be unconfirmed minutes) must form part of the agenda papers for the next ordinary meeting of council. The council must consider any items for attention, raised by each local authority meeting or provisional meeting, at the next ordinary meeting of council after the local authority meeting or provisional meeting.
- 13.2. The council's response to items above (at clause 13.1) must be recorded in the minutes of the council meeting and communicated to the local authority.

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# Local authority sitting fee

- 14.1. Appointed members are entitled to a sitting fee for each local authority meeting or provisional meeting they attend:
  - a. Chair, if eligible, 143 revenue units
  - b. other eligible members, 107 revenue units

Note: The value of a revenue unit is on the website of the Department of Treasury and Finance.

14.2. Elected members and council staff are not entitled to the sitting fee for attending local authority meetings or provisional meetings.

Note: Subject to council policy, reimbursement of personal travel expenses is allowed for all members, e.g. kilometre allowance paid for the use of a private vehicle.

Note: Subject to council policy, elected members are entitled to extra meeting allowances pursuant to Guideline 2 for attending a Local Authority meeting or provisional meeting.

Note: It is a matter for a council CEO as to whether council staff will receive any payment for attending a local authority meeting or provisional meeting.

# 15. Council regional plans, budgets and financial reports

- 15.1. A council must take the projects and priorities of its local authorities into consideration, whether submitted to council or recorded in minutes, when developing the council regional plan and budget.
- 15.2. The budget of a council must include a separate budget for each local authority area.
- 15.3. At each local authority meeting, the council is to submit a current financial report of actual results against the latest approved budget for the local authority area.

# 16. Council annual report

16.1. The annual report of a council must include information which assesses performance in relation to service delivery and planned projects in each of its local authority areas.

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#### SCHEDULE:

Where local authorities are to be established and maintained.

Barkly Regional Council:

Ali Curung Alupurrurulam Ampilatwatja Arlparra Elliott

Tennant Creek

Wutunugurra (Epenarra)

Central Desert Regional Council:

Anmatjere (Nturiya, Pmara Jutunta, Wilora, Ti Tree)

Engawala Lajamanu Laramba Nyirripi Willowra Yuelamu Yuendumu

East Arnhem Regional Council:

Angurugu Galiwin'ku Gapuwiyak Gunyangara Milingimbi Milyakburra Ramingining Umbakumba Yirrkala

MacDonnell Regional Council:

Amoonguna Areyonga Finke (Aputula) Haasts Bluff (lkuntji) Hermannsburg (Ntaria)

Kaltukatjara (Docker River) Kintore (Walungurru) Mt Liebig (Amundurrngu)

Papunya

Santa Teresa (Ltyentye Apurte)

Titjikala

Wallace Rockhole

Roper Gulf Regional Council:

Barunga

Beswick (Wugularr)

Borroloola Bulman

Jilkminggan Manyallaluk (Eva Valley)

Mataranka

Minyerri (Hodgson Downs)

Ngukurr Numbulwar Urapunga

Tiwi Islands Regional Council;

Milikapiti Pirlangimpi

Wurrumiyanga (Ngulu)

Victoria Daly Regional Council:

Amanbidji Bulla

Nauiyu (Daly River) Kalkaringi/Dagaragu Pine Creek Timber Creek Yarralin/Pigeon Hole

West Arnhem Regional Council: Gunbalanya (Oenpelli)

Maningrida Minjilang Warruwi

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# **GENERAL BUSINESS**

**ITEM NUMBER** 11.12

**TITLE** Project Funding Guidelines

REFERENCE 795002

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# **RECOMMENDATION**

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes LA Project Funding Guidelines.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Local Authority Project Funding Guidelines outline the rules pertaining to Local Authority Projects Funding from the Territory.

# ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

The Local Authority grants are for the purpose of continued development of Local Authorities and Communities, and must be completely expended within two (2) years.

The Objectives of the Grants Funding Program are:

- Building stronger communities and assist community priority projects as recommended by Local Authorities;
- 2) Assisting governing bodies and their communities become stronger and self-sustaining;
- **3)** Developing capacity of local government to provide legitimate representation, effective governance, improved service delivery, and sustainable development.

Local Authorities must formally resolve, and record what funding is to be spent on.

Project funds must be spent on matters which have a general community benefit. They may not be spent on matters such as motor vehicles, fuel, administration costs, meeting costs, salaries, uniforms, allowances, or matters outside the scope of local government.

As a general rule, project funding is for infrastructure-type projects.

The complete Guideline is attached for the Local Authority's reference.

# FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Outlined in Guideline

# **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. new-local-authority-project-funding-guidelines-2018-19.pdf



DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

# **Local Authority Project Funding - Guidelines**

# Purpose

To encourage the continued development of local authorities and their respective communities through the provision of funding to undertake priority community projects that are in line with these guidelines.

# 2. Objectives

The objectives of the program are to:

- Assist in building stronger communities and assist community priority projects as recommended by local authorities
- To assist local governing bodies and the constituent communities they represent to become stronger and self sustaining
- Assist in the provision of quality community infrastructure that facilitates community activity and integration
- Assist in developing local government capacity to provide legitimate representation, effective governance, improved service delivery and sustainable development.

# 3. Funding pool

The Local Authority Project funding pool is non-application based and is distributed through a methodology developed by the Northern Territory Grants Commission to regional councils.

This funding is only available for those local authorities published in the guidelines made by the Minister under Part 5.1A of the Local Government Act.

# 4. Local Authority Project Approvals

Individual local authorities must formally resolve each initiative this funding will be used for. A copy of this resolution is to be recorded in the minutes of the relevant local authority meeting.

At each local authority meeting, a report is to be submitted detailing the total amount of funding available and spent on local authority projects under this program in each financial year. The report is to include details and amount spent on each project of the relevant local authority for which funding has been provided.

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# 5. Examples of Acceptable Purposes for Expenditure

- Repairs and maintenance of community assets controlled or owned by the council. For example:- office upgrades, fencing, solar lighting, road repairs and ablution facilities
- Acquisition of plant and equipment directly related to local government service delivery. For example:- trailers, garden maintenance equipment such as brush cutters, lawn mowers and pressure cleaners, rubbish bin enclosures /stands.
- Upgrade/enhancement of community sporting facilities. For example upgrade of community ovals, basketball courts and playgrounds, shade structures, picnic areas, seating and park furniture, tree planting and irrigation.
- Festivals or other events but must only be conducted within a council's own Local Authority area.

# Employee costs

If council employees are utilised as general labour to assist with approved projects, the value of such labour that can be expensed to the project is a maximum of \$30 per hour. The maximum amount that can be costed to general labour hours is 5% of the total annual local authority funding.

# Risk Management

Where funds are to be used for a purpose outside the council's control or on an asset that is not owned or controlled by council, the council should consider the liability and insurance requirements associated with that project. Councils should consider each project on its merit before progressing with the project. All risks associated with the project are to be considered and met by the council. The Department will not be held responsible for any liability arising out of the use of these funds.

#### Pre-conditions

If the proposed project relies on pre-conditions (such as the acquisition of a section 19 lease under the *Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act)*, then the project should not be undertaken until there is conclusive evidence that the condition will not hinder the progress of the project for which funds have been allocated.

# Examples of Unacceptable Purposes for Expenditure

- · Purchase of vehicles and fuel expenses
- · Payment of salaries, cash prizes or recurrent operating costs of council
- · Meeting costs and payments to local authority members
- Sponsorship by way of uniforms, travels cost and allowances
- Purposes that are not related to local government services and that should be addressed by another government agency.

Administration and/or project management fees are not to be levied on this grant funding.

# 7. Process for Grant Payment

Once the respective allocations for each local authority have been calculated regional councils will receive a letter of offer and acceptance documentation from this Department.

This advice will comprise the total grant amount being offered to the regional council as well as a breakdown of the amount to be made available to each local authority.

Regional councils eligible to receive these grants will need to comply with the following:-

- Ensure that there are no outstanding grant acquittals relevant to this Department's local government grants, otherwise there will be no payment made of approved grant/s
- Return the signed acceptance form back to the Department with appropriate authorisation.

These grants will be released around mid-September once the signed acceptance and the previous year's certification reports are received

# 8. Annual Certification

- The grant must be fully expended within two years of receipt of funding. Failure to do so may result in the Department taking action, including but not limited to: withholding further grant payments under this program or requesting unspent funds to be repaid.
- Councils are to submit a certified income and expenditure report (financial report) for the year ended 30 June for each of its local authorities.
- The financial report must be completed in the format as required by the Department and formally approved by Council. The financial report is to be submitted to the Department on or before 31 August in each year. Failure to provide the financial reports by 31 August will results in delays in paying further funds.
- All approved projects are required to be procured in accordance with the Local Government Act and, as far as practical under the NT Government's Buy Local Plan: <a href="https://nt.gov.au/industry/government/sell-my-goods-and-services-to-government/buy-local-plan">https://nt.gov.au/industry/government/sell-my-goods-and-services-to-government/buy-local-plan</a>
- Requests to carry-over unspent funds remaining after two consecutive years is to be submitted via email to: <a href="mailto:lg.grants@nt.gov.au">lg.grants@nt.gov.au</a>. All requests will be considered on a case by case basis and approval is not automatic.
- The Department reserves the right to request the full value of the grant to be returned
  if the council disposes of an asset acquired with this funding within four years of the
  payment of the grant.

#### 9. Contact Details

For further information please contact: <a href="mailto:lg.grants@nt.gov.au">lg.grants@nt.gov.au</a> or (08) 8999 8820.

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# **GENERAL BUSINESS**

ITEM NUMBER 11.13

TITLE NUMBULWAR LOCAL AUTHORITY

RGEC FINANCIAL REPORT Q2 2018-19 &

PROJECT REGISTER UPDATE

REFERENCE 795122

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# **RECOMMENDATION**

- (a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes Financial (Expenditure) Report for the second Quarter of 2018-19 financial year;
- (b) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receives and notes LA Project Register Update Report as at 31 January 2019.

# **BACKGROUND**

As per the Guideline 8 of the *Local Government Act*, the quarterly finance report is to be presented to the Local Authority.

# ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

NIL

# **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

NIL

# **ATTACHMENTS:**

- Numbulwar Local Authority Expenditure Report. Q2 2018-19.pdf
- 2 Numbulwar Local Authority Project Register 31.01.2019.pdf

# Numbulwar **Roper Gulf Regional Council**

# **Expenditure Report as at 31st December 2018**



			Expenditure by Account Employee Contract and Material Fleet, Plant & Equipmen Other Operating Internal Cost Allocations Total Expenditure  1,800,000 1,600,000 1,200,000 1,200,000 1,000,000 800,000 400,000 200,000	
1,130,203	872,252	Employee	Expenditure by Account Category Employee  Contract and Material Fleet, Plant & Equipment Other Operating Internal Cost Allocations  Total Expenditure  1,800,000 1,000,000 1,000,000 1,000,000 1,000,000	
			### ##################################	Current Quarter 2nd Quarter 2nd Quarter Actual Budget
1,608,390	393,908	Contract and Material	1,130,203 1,608,390 79,650 139,998 995,985 3,954,225	Quarter 2nd Quarter Budget
79,650	48,591	Fleet, Plant & Equipment	77,252 1,130,203 988,732 1,318,570 25 93,908 1,608,390 432,747 1,876,455 1,21 48,591 79,650 59,230 92,925 3 97,414 139,998 109,727 163,331 4 923,749 995,985 1,003,826 1,161,982 7 335,914 3,954,225 2,594,263 4,613,262 1,6 Expenditure by Account Category	ear to Date - As of Period YTD YTD Actual <i>Budget</i>
			1,318,570 1,876,455 92,925 163,331 1,161,982 4,613,262 nt Categ	As of Period YTD Budget
139,998	97,414	Other Operating	257,951 1,214,482 31,059 42,584 72,235 1,618,311	2nd Quarter Variance
995,985	923,749	Internal Cost Allocations	257,951 2,260,406 214,482 3,216,779 31,059 159,300 42,584 279,995 72,235 1,991,969 1,618,311 7,908,450	Annual Budget
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Activity Listing	Current Quarter		Year to Date	Year to Date - As of Period 7	7		
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113 - Project Management	6,728	1,250	6,728	1,458	5,478	2,500	500 Incorrect cost code, waiting correct code
131 - Council and Elected N	1,632	0	1,682	0	1,632	0	O Budgeted in location 10 HQ, correction journal will
132 - Local Authority	3,534	15,272	3,534	17,817	11,738	30,544	544 Underspend due to December and August LA
138 - Local Authority Proje	387	175,153	387	204,345	174,766	350,305	350,305 Please see project register.
172 - Numbulwar Fuel	225,229	210,000	225,229	245,000	15,229	420,000	420,000 Fuel Stock purchased for sale.
202 - Staff Housing	12,793	27,424	14,077	31,995	14,631	54,848	54,848 Underspend due to repair, maintenance, cleaning,
245 - Visitor Accommodati	91,503	92,443	111,747	107,850	940	184,886	
Sub Total -	341,807	549,650	363,384	641,259	207,843	1,099,301	
Commercial Serv.							
220 - Territory Housing Rep	45,327	55,582	54,495	64,846	10,255	111,164	111,164 Underspend on staff wages and salaries.
221 - Territory Housing Ter	21,517	32,220	27,583	37,590	10,703	64,441	64,441 Underspend on staff wages and salaries.
241 - Airstrip maintenance	72,608	75,000	84,339	87,500	2,392	150,000	
246 - Commercial Australia	3,671	3,684	4,282	4,298	13	7,368	
275 - Mechanical Worksho	75,516	87,877	89,364	102,523	12,361	175,754	.754 Underspend on staff wages and salaries.
314 - Service Fee - CDP	766,455	904,789	812,904	1,055,588	138,335	1,809,579	1,809,579 Underspend due to vacant positions.
318 - Outcome Payments -	7,500	97,500	7,500	113,750	90,000	195,000	,000 Journal for income received from July-December is
ı							not posted yet.
Sub Total	992,594	1,256,652	1,080,468	1,466,094	264,058	2,513,304	

Activity Listing	Current Quarter		Year to Date - As of Period 7	- As of Period	7		
	2nd Quarter 2nd Quarter		YTD Y	YTD	2nd Quarte Annual	Annual	Activity Explanation
Council & Comm. Serv					- 1		
111 - Council Services Gen	195,401	195,902	221,300	228,553	501	391,805	
160 - Municipal Services	220,860	205,393	243,929	239,625	15,467	410,787	410,787 Overspend on vehicles reapir and maintenance
161 - Waste management		69,823	66,076	81,461	12,425	139,647	.647 Underspend on materials, contractors and vehicle
							expenses.
162 - Cemeteries Managen	n 964	5,000	964	5,833	4,036	10,000	
164 - Local Emergency Mai	н 1,150	1,208	1,150	1,409	57	2,415	
169 - Civic Events		4,000	0	4,667	4,000	8,000	
171 - Naidoc Week	0	250	0	292	250	500	
200 - Local roads maintena	ā 0	908,000	0	1,059,333	908,000	1,816,000	
201 - Street lighting	6,693	9,525	8,735	11,113	2,832	19,050	
341 - Commonwealth Agec	38,891	61,115	49,990	71,300	22,223	122,229	122,229 Underspend due to staff wages and salaries paid from activity 342- will be fixed later
							the state of the s
342 - Indigenous Aged Care	r 68,073	92,534	72,926	107,956	24,461	185,067	067 Underspend due to wrong code staff wages and salaries.
344 - Commonwealth Hom	n 64,402	72,037	78,696	84,043	7,635	144,073	
346 - Indigenous Broadcas	si 8,912	18,559	10,231	21,652	9,647	37,118	37,118 Underspend on staff wages and salaries.
350 - Centrelink	49,416	52,700	57,923	61,484	3,284	105,401	
355 - National Disability In:	າ: 1,298	0	1,298	0	1,298	0	Budgeted in location 10 HQ, correction journal will
							be later.
356 - NDIS – Information, L	0	800	0	933	800	1,600	
381 - Animal Control	2,573	1,300	2,573	1,517	1,273	2,600	Overspend on staff visitor accommodation.
401 - Night Patrol	115,407	159,002	135,982	185,502	43,595	318,004	004 Underspent on salary and wages due to staff
404 - Indigenous Sports an		22,100	16,449	25,783	10,549	44,199	199 Underspent was due to vacant position.
405 - Sports & Rec - AFL M	A 91	49	91	57	42	97	97 The project is completed and whole year budget is
407 - Remote Sports and R	R 1,184	500	1,313	583	684	1,000	1,000 Overspend on staff visitor accommodation.
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	2nd Quarter 2nd Quarter YTD	2nd Quarter		YTD	2nd Quarte Annual	Annual	Activity Explanation
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget	
416 - Youth Vibe Grant	0	850	1,631	992	850	1,700	
469 - SPG - Remote Austra	51,192	25,596	51,192	29,862	25,596	51,192	51,192 The project is completed and whole year budget is
							expensed.
485 - Ngukurr and Numbul	0	119,267	0	139,145	119,267	238,534	
Sub Total	1,001,512	2,147,055	1,150,411	2,504,898	2,504,898 1,145,543 4,294,111	4,294,111	
Other Services							
490 - Numbulwar Waste N	0	867	0	1,011	867	1,734	
Sub Total	0	867	0	1,011	867	1,734	

# Numbulwar Local Authority Project Funding - as at 31.01.2019

Project ID	Projects funding has been allocated to:	Prjct Budget	Actual Cost	Prjct Varience	rience Project Status
2113802	2113802 Basketball Courts (Seating and Fencing)	\$ 27,000.00			\$27000 allocated on 12/06/2018
2113803	2113803 Design and Costing Planning for Oval upgrade	\$ 15,000.00			\$15000 allocated on 12/06/2018
					In Progress \$50000 allocated on
					12/06/2018 and \$55000 allocated on
2113804	2113804 Sport and Recreation Hall Upgrade	\$ 105,000.00   \$ 103,913.29	\$ 103,913.29		09/10/2018
					\$87000 allocated on 12/06/2018
2113805	2113805 New/Upgrade Toilets at the Airport	\$ 97,000.00			\$10,000 allocated on 09/10/2018
2113806	2113806 Playground equipment.	\$ 40,000.00			\$ 40,000 Allocated on 09/10/2018
	Total for current projects in progress	\$ 284,000.00	\$ 284,000.00   \$ 103,913.29	\$ -	
	Total for completed projects	\$ 427,525.00	\$ 427,525.00   \$ 399,740.96   \$ 27	\$ 27,784.04	
	Grand Total	\$ 711,525.00	\$ 711,525.00   \$ 503,654.25   \$ 27,784.04	\$ 27,784.04	

Funding received from Department	Income	Funds allocated	Project Variance	Remaining Unallocated Funds	
2014-15	\$ 143,542.00	143,542.00 \$ 143,542.00			
2015-16	\$ 143,542.00	143,542.00   \$ 143,542.00			
2016-17	\$ 143,542.00 \$ 143,542.00	\$ 143,542.00			
2017-18	\$ 159,710.00	159,710.00 \$ 175,899.00 \$	\$ 27,784.04 \$ 11	\$ 11,595.04	,595.04   Carry-forward to 2018-19 FY
2018-19	\$ 159,710.00	159,710.00 \$ 105,000.00 \$	\$ -	\$ 54,710.00	
Total	\$ 750,046.00	\$ 711,525.00	750,046.00 \$ 711,525.00 \$ 27,784.04 \$ 66,305.04	\$ 66,305.04	