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MINUTES

FOR SPECIAL MEETING OF THE

COASTAL PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

17 NOVEMBER 2004

SHIRE OF BROOME

**MINUTES FOR A MEETING OF THE
COASTAL PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM
ON THURSDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2004
COMMENCING AT 10:00AM**

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OFFICIAL OPENING

The Chairperson welcomed Committee members of the public and declared the meeting open at 10.10am.

1. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Attendance	Cr A K Grosse Cr T W Vinnicombe Mr Franz Hoogland Ms Cissy Djaween Ms Michael Corpus Cr P J Mitchell	Chairperson Shire President
Apologies	Frank Sebastian Lorna Kelly	
Officers	Mr Ian Bodill Ms Suzanne Lollback Ms Olivia Galipo	Chief Executive Officer Director Community Services Council Secretary
Public Gallery	Ms Sharon Griffiths Mr Ben Wurm Ms Mary Tarran	

2. DECLARATIONS OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

Nil

3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved: Cr P J Mitchell

Seconded: Cr T W Vinnicombe

That the Minutes of the Coastal Park Committee Meeting held on 13 May 2004 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting with the attachment for the Operating Framework be included.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr Franz Hoogland wished to extend his thanks to the Shire Engineering Department for all their effort in relation to Item 5.1, Operating Framework, of the last meeting, held 13 May 2004.

5. MATTERS SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION**5.3 PRESERVING NATIVE VEGETATION IN BROOME****LOCATION/ADDRESS:****APPLICANT:** Rubibi**FILE:****AUTHOR:** Sharon Griffiths**CONTRIBUTOR/S:** Nil**RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:** Nil**DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST:** N/A**DATE OF REPORT:** 1 November 2004

SUMMARY: Rubibi seeks Council agreement to develop measures aimed at preserving existing native vegetation in Broome and promoting the use of local species in landscaping of public areas and the rehabilitation of degraded areas.

BACKGROUND

Broome is rapidly growing and areas of native vegetation are being cleared to make way for development, only to be replaced by water-dependent exotic plant species. Loss of vegetation and the consequent loss of bio-diversity and habitat are having negative impacts on native flora and fauna, of concern to Rubibi and others in the community. The high dependence on water to maintain introduced vegetation is a local and national problem and it also risks increases in soil & groundwater salinity. As Broome grows, so does its demand for water.

COMMENT

Rubibi is seeking support from the Shire of Broome and others to identify and implement ways to retain and rehabilitate areas of native vegetation and to promote the use of local Broome plants in the landscaping of public areas and residential subdivisions.

A number of measures could be investigated, including: tree preservation orders, local by-laws and policies, promoting indigenous plantings in Council gardens, recognising public and private attempts to maintain local species, i.e., garden competitions, etc.

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972

Land Administration Act

Local Government Act

Native Title Act 1993-1998

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Consistent with the Shire's *Interim Agreement with Rubibi* (signed in May 1996), the findings of the *Local Government Development Program* (1997), the implementation of the Shire's *Coastal Park Management Plan* (April 1999) and the Shire's *Draft Strategic Plan* (2004/2009)

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

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VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

RUBIBI RECOMMENDATION

Rubibi seeks the agreement of Council to the following joint initiatives aimed at protecting native vegetation in Broome, by:

1. *Undertaking research into how other Shire Councils have protected native vegetation.*
2. *Convening a meeting of interested parties, before March 2005, to investigate ways to:*
 - *Protect existing native vegetation;*
 - *Rehabilitate degraded areas of land using local native vegetation;*
 - *Encourage private landholders to retail and replant with local native vegetation.*

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Mr Franz Hoogland

Seconded: Cr P J Mitchell

1. **To collate existing policies and resolutions of Council.**
2. **Undertaking research into how other Shire Councils have protected native vegetation.**
3. **Convening a meeting of interested parties, after March 2005, to explain of existing ways to:**
 - **Protect existing native vegetation;**
 - **Rehabilitate degraded areas of land using local native vegetation;**
 - **Encourage private landholders to retaining and replant with local native vegetation.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.1 COASTAL PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE – WORKS PROGRAM

LOCATION/ADDRESS: Minyirr Park
APPLICANT: Sharon Griffiths
FILE: CTE 28
AUTHOR: Manager of Corporate Services
Coastal Park Project officer
CONTRIBUTOR/S: Acting Manager Engineering Services
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: Manager of Corporate Services
DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST: Nil
DATE OF REPORT: 22 October 2004

SUMMARY: Submission of the 2004/2005 works program for the Coastal Park Management Plan as submitted by Coastal Park Project Officer, Sharon Griffiths.

BACKGROUND

In May this year the Coastal Park Project Officer submitted a report to the Shire on proposed works for 2004/2005. The report was emailed to Councillors at the time but has never been formally submitted to the Coastal Park Management Committee.

The purpose of this agenda is to therefore to formally submit the program for endorsement. It is also noted that whilst an increase in the annual budget was requested, Council allocated the same allocation as in previous years of \$55,000.00

COMMENT

In addition to the program undertaken by the Park Supervisors, the Shire of Broome's Parks and Gardens staff are also undertaking works within the coastal area as follows:

- Installation of new stairs to the beach adjacent to the Surf Club at Cable Beach Reserve.
- Upgrade to De Marchi and Howe Walkways through Minyirr Park.
- Rehabilitation of areas around the Demco foreshore and carpark.
- General installation of new signs, erosion control and assoc works throughout coastal Park.

CONSULTATION

Coastal Park project officer
Shire Councillors
Shire staff

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

RUBIBI RECOMMENDATION

That Council endorse the 2004/2005 works program for the Coastal Park Management Plan

COMMITTEE RECCOMENDATION

Moved: Mr Franz Hoogland

Seconded: Mr Michael Corpus

That Council endorses the 2004/2005 works program for the Coastal Park Management Plan with the removal of the reference of Roebuck Bay in the attachment. (Paragraph two page two).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[Attachment: 2 pages](#)

5.2 JOINT MANAGEMENT OF MINYIRR PARK

LOCATION/ADDRESS:	Minyirr Park Stage 1 (Reserves 19289, 43080, 36477)
APPLICANT:	Rubibi
FILE:	Res 19289, Res 43080, Res 36477
AUTHOR:	Ben Wurm
CONTRIBUTOR/S:	Nil
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:	Nil
DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST:	N/A
DATE OF REPORT:	1 November 2004

SUMMARY: Rubibi seeks a resolution from the Shire of Broome prioritizing the negotiation of a joint management agreement to improve and formalize current arrangements for Minyirr Park.

BACKGROUND

Minyirr Park is a joint land-management project of the Shire of Broome and Rubibi. The project arises from the 1999 *Coastal Park Management Plan* (commissioned by the Shire of Broome) and is now in its fifth year of implementation. To date, management practices have been implemented primarily in Reserves # 19289, 43080, 36477 by the Minyirr Park works team.

The recent agreement between Rubibi and the State in relation to residential subdivision Neighbourhood A Stage 5B & 5C (announced on 29 October 2004) contemplates: (i) the consolidation of Minyirr Park – Stage 1 (Reserves #19289, 43080, 36477) to include adjoining parcels of unallocated Crown land; and (ii) the negotiation of an improved joint management regime for Rubibi and the Shire in relation to the consolidated Minyirr Park, the cultural corridor excised from the Stage 5B & 5C subdivision, and the Foreshore Reserve #39556 (Chinatown –to- Town Beach).

COMMENT

The successful and on-going implementation of the *Coastal Park Management Plan*, coupled with the recent agreement on the Stage 5B & 5C subdivision, increases the desirability of formalizing joint land-management arrangements between Rubibi and the Shire in Broome as soon as practicable.

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972
 Land Administration Act
 Local Government Act
 Native Title Act 1993-1998

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Consistent with the Shire's *Interim Agreement* with Rubibi (signed in May 1996), the findings of the *Local Government Development Program* (1997), the implementation of the Shire's *Coastal Park Management Plan* (April 1999) and the Shire's *Draft Strategic Plan* (2004/2009)

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

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VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

RUBIBI RECOMMENDATION

That Council pass a resolution in favour of the prioritization of negotiations with Rubibi for a joint management agreement between Rubibi and the Shire in respect of Minyirr Park (Stage 1) and other areas in Broome.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Franz Hoogland

Seconded: Cr A K Grosse

- 1. That the Committee notes, that Council has already given a priority to the development of a Joint Management agreement between Rubibi and Shire of Broome.**
- 2. That a joint communication be prepared and signed by both the Shire of Broome and Rubibi and sent to the State Government detailing an urgent need for resources to develop and finalise the agreement.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.4 WORK PARTNERSHIPS IN MINYIRR PARK

LOCATION/ADDRESS:	Minyirr Park
APPLICANT:	Rubibi
FILE:	Res 43080
AUTHOR:	Sharon Griffiths
CONTRIBUTOR/S:	Nil
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:	Nil
DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST:	N/A
DATE OF REPORT:	1 November 2004

SUMMARY: A number of working partnerships are being developed in order to establish an ablutions block, additional shade shelters, a walking trail and youth 'out camp' in Minyirr Park.

BACKGROUND

- **Minyirr Park Ablutions**

Rubibi and the Shire are working to get paths and ablutions in preparation for the anticipated increase in pedestrian access through the Park to the beach following the release of Subdivision B&C

Rubibi successfully sought Community Facilities Grant funds to build a toilet and shower at Minyirr Park base camp. With the increasing number of visitors to the Park and the OHS needs of the work teams we see it as a priority for 2005. Minyirr Park has had to buy in water to the park and make use of a small composting toilet, as there is no water supply to the Park.

We now have a shortfall of \$11,000 needed to pipe the town water to the park. Earlier this year, Rubibi wrote seeking assistance to the Shire of Broome, the Kimberley Development Commission, and the Water Corp. We have had a positive interest from Water Corporation (though nothing formally agreed) and currently we are talking with Landcorp to see if they can assist with funds.

- **Youth Out camp**

In response to the needs of youth in Broome, Rubibi is working with other agencies in the HYPE program to establish a youth camp area and activities in Minyirr Park. Preliminary planning has commenced with design ideas from RMIT landscape architect students. The Coast West grants program has made available a small amount of funds in the last grant, for interactive youth activities eg wood carving, traditional skills etc, which proved popular amongst youth.

- **DEMCO foreshore area - Minyirr Park**

The Shire in partnership with GreenCorp and Minyirr staff are about to commence replanting this area with native vegetation and erecting shade shelters.

- **De Marchi Street (Cable Beach) Walkway - Minyirr Park**

Minyirr work teams in consultation with Shire staff have removed the deteriorated wooden steps on the De Marchi Street Walkway, that were installed by CALM (and Shire) a number of years ago. They are monitoring the area's use without steps for the time being. The intention is to eventually create a walkway over the steep dune area that reduces the high maintenance needs and responds to the climatic variation and subsequent movement of sands.

COMMENT

Nil

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

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Land Administration Act
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Native Title Act 1993-1998

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

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FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

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VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

RUBIBI RECOMMENDATION

That Council note the additional working partnerships operating to develop coastal park areas for the use and benefit of the community and visitors to Broome.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Cr P J Mitchell

Seconded: Mr Michael Corpus

That Council acknowledges the additional working partnerships operating to develop coastal park areas for the use and benefit of the community and visitors to Broome.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. MEETING CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 11.40am.