



Special Council Meeting

Business Paper for Tuesday 17 May 2022

Tuesday, 17 May 2022
Civic Centre

Mayor Matt Paterson
(Chair)

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**ALICE SPRINGS TOWN COUNCIL
ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE FOURTEENTH COUNCIL
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY 17 MAY 2022
AT 6.00PM, CIVIC CENTRE, ALICE SPRINGS**

- 1. OPENING OF SPECIAL MEETING AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**
- 2. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**
- 3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF COUNCIL MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**
- 4. NOTICE OF MOTION**
 - 4.1. [Deputy Mayor Eli Melky – Community Safety](#)
- 5. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Jennings".

Robert Jennings
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
Monday 16th May, 2022



Notice of Motion

Alice Springs Town Council

I, Deputy Mayor Eli Melky hereby give notice of my intention to present the following motion at the Special Ordinary Meeting of Council, scheduled for 17th May 2022.

MOTION:

- A. That the Alice Springs Town Council declare the level of crime and anti-social behaviour currently being experienced by our community to a State of Emergency, and request immediate action by the Northern Territory Government to deal with the following issues:
1. Home invasions
 2. Serious assault on members of public
 3. Sexual assault by youth on members of public
 4. Car theft and abandoned cars
 5. Illegal use of vehicles as weapons of destruction
 6. Property damage
 7. Shop stealing
 8. Unroadworthy and unregistered vehicles
 9. Effective monitoring of CC Cameras
 10. Economic downturn due to safety concerns
 11. Harassment and intimidation by roaming gangs
- B. That the Northern Territory Government introduce an emergency 4-month curfew lockdown on children who are not under 'Responsible Family' or 'Elder Watch' and are known repeat offenders out late at night roaming the streets, as a short term measure.
- C. That the Alice Springs Town Council work with the Northern Territory Government by making available suitable Council facility to assist where children who are not under 'Responsible Family' or 'Elder Watch' can be cared for and provide triage until the responsible person can be reached.
- D. That the Northern Territory Government provide mental health support to victims of crime.
- E. That the Northern Territory Government provide financial compensation to victims of crime including businesses.
- F. That the Northern Territory Government increase support to their relevant departments who are responsible for community safety.
- G. That the Northern Territory Government apply existing legislation on education and ensure children of school age are attending school during school hours.

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Supporting information to Motion:

Over the years, there have been many conversations on crime and anti-social issues in our town, yet the situation has only gotten worse. There has been a lot of money spent by successive Federal and Territory Governments, yet many people continue to get hurt.

Time for talkfests is over, the time for action is here.

Our community is in desperate need to be safe again as this surely is not sustainable. We must learn from the past mistakes, so we are able to move forward and make our town safe which is in the best interest of our community.

We all know what we cannot do, so let us focus on what we can do and that is lead our community and voice their concern with an aim to solving the issue.

I seek a solution for the immediate future, to make our town safe and prosperous.

The time for talk is over, the time for action is now.

MOVED by

SECONDED by

Deputy Mayor Eli Melky

Councillor Steve Brown

Date 17 May 2022

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