

**Minutes of the  
Special Meeting  
of the  
NORTHERN ALLIANCE OF COUNCILS INC  
held at Mercure  
Townsville  
Monday 30 November 2020**



**Northern  
Alliance of  
Councils Inc.**

**UNITING THE POWER OF THE NORTH**

2020.01	Opening of Meeting
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Mayor Greg Williamson declared the 2020 Special Meeting of the Northern Alliance of Councils open at 1:28pm

Attendance & Apologies – as per attendance register
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Attendance:

**Yellow –not in attendance – departed following workshop/AGM – please confirm**

COUNCIL	NAME	VOTING MEMBER
Banana Shire Council	Mayor Nev Ferrier	No
Banana Shire Council	Deputy Mayor Colin Semple	No
Burdekin Shire Council	Mayor Lyn McLaughlin	Yes
Burdekin Shire Council	Cr Sue Perry	Yes
Cairns Regional Council	Mayor Bob Manning	Yes
Cairns Regional Council	Cr Brett Moller (LAWMAC Deputy Chair)	Yes
Charters Towers Regional Council	Mayor Frank Beveridge	Yes
Charters Towers Regional Council	Aaron Johansson (CEO)	N/A
Charters Towers Regional Council	Amy Russell – NAOC Secretary	N/A
Cook Shire Council	Mayor Peter Scott (representing TCICA)	Yes
Cook Shire Council	Deputy Mayor Robyn Holmes	Yes
Douglas Shire Council	Mayor Michael Kerr	Yes
Hinchinbrook Shire Council	Mayor Ramon Jayo	Yes
Isaac Regional Council	Mayor Anne Baker	Yes
Isaac Regional Council	Jeff Stewart-Harris (Director Planning, Environment & Community Services)	Yes
Mackay Regional Council	Cr Karen May	Yes
Mackay Regional Council	Mayor Greg Williamson	Yes
Mackay Regional Council	Michael Thomson (CEO)	N/A
Mareeba Shire Council	Deputy Mayor Kevin Davies	Yes
Rockhampton Regional Council	Acting Mayor Neil Fisher	No
Townsville City Council	Mayor Jenny Hill	Yes
Townsville City Council	Mr Brett Brogan (Director Planning, Environment & Cultural Services)	
Whitsunday Regional Council	Mayor Andrew Willcox	Yes
<b>NAME</b>	<b>Company/Organisation</b>	
Darlene Irvine – Executive Officer	FNQ ROC	N/A
Laura Vidmar – Executive Officer	NQ ROC	N/A
Eleanor Scott - Partner	Holding Redlich	N/A

**Apologies:**

Burke Shire Council  
Carpentaria Shire Council  
Cassowary Coast Regional Council  
Central Highlands Regional Council  
Cloncurry Shire Council  
Doomadgee Aboriginal Council  
Etheridge Shire Council  
Flinders Shire Council  
Gladstone Regional Council  
Livingstone Shire Council  
Mareeba Shire Council  
North Burnett Regional Council  
Torres Strait Island Council  
Joe Veraa – Executive Officer, WBBROC  
David McKendry – Executive Officer, GWCoM's

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<b>2020.02</b>	<b>Special Resolution RENAME THE ASSOCIATION TO BETTER REFLECT THE ALLIANCE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ANY MAYORS FROM REGIONAL QUEENSLAND</b>
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*The Association has made the decision to rename the Association to better reflect the alliance of local government and Mayors from Regional Queensland.*

*Motion:*

*That the Association be renamed to: **Regional Queensland Council of Mayors Inc***

*Moved: Mayor Anne Baker Isaac Regional Council*

*Seconded: Cr Kevin Davies Mareeba Regional Council*

**CARRIED**

<b>2020.03</b>	<b>Special Resolution AMEND THE CONSTITUTION</b>
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In addition, as a result of the name change, resolve to better reflect the Association as follows:

*Motion:*

*The Association amend the Constitution as follows:*

- (i) The new name of the Association (Regional Queensland Council of Mayors Inc)*
- (ii) Clarifying the current objectives to better align with the refocussed strategic direction of the Association*
  - 1) to provide collective representation for the Member Local Governments of Regional Queensland;*
  - 2) to advocate for regional infrastructure, economic and social planning;*
  - 3) to provide a stronger voice from Regional Queensland to promote awareness and engagement with State and Federal governments to improve access to funding and grants for projects which will benefit Regional Queensland; and*
  - 4) to influence State & Federal Elected Members to ensure their policy and legislative positions support Queensland growth.*
- (iii) Limiting membership of the Association to local governments in Regional Queensland  
The Association's membership will consist of individual Local Governments in Regional Queensland and who are accepted as Members of the Association and retain the membership in the manner required by these Rules.*
- (iv) Amendments required as a result of the recent legislative amendments to the Association Incorporation Act 1981 to ensure the Constitution is compliant with current legislative requirements.*

*Moved: Mayor Anne Baker Isaac Regional Council*  
*Seconded: Mayor Ramon Jayo Hinchinbrook Shire Council*

**CARRIED**

<b>2020.03</b>	<b>General Business</b>
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Nil.

There being no further business, President, Mayor Greg Williamson declared the 2020 Northern Alliance of Councils Special Meeting closed at **1:38pm**

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**President**

Date: ...../...../.....

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