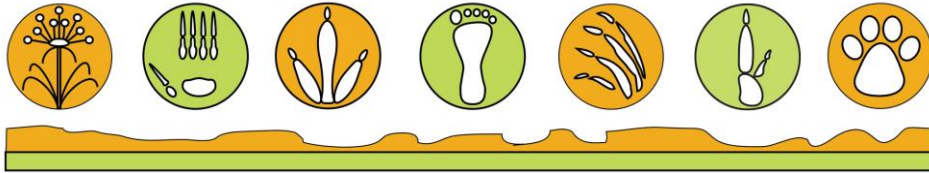

BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



OUR VISION

We strive to be responsive, progressive, sustainable council which respects, listens and empowers the people to be strong.

The Way We Will Work

We will make it happen!

We will be engaged and have regular opportunities to listen.

We will have strong policy and budgets to ensure our programs and services are progressive and sustainable.

Respect is shown in everything we do and we have acceptance of all cultures in the Barkly Region and their practices through a culturally competent Council.

We are a responsible Council.

We will be a responsive Council.

We want to empower local decision making.

We want to ensure that our services are sustainable and that our region has a standard consistent level of services.

We want to be able to sustain our environment – our communities, our physical places, our people and our organisational culture.

We will aggressively pursue additional funding from both levels of government to improve the standard of living of people across the region.

We need to be realistic, transparent and accountable.

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY, 17 MARCH 2016

The Ordinary Council Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council will be held in Tennant Creek on Thursday, 17 March 2016 at 9:30am.

Allan McGill
Acting Chief Executive Officer



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The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (ci) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on any person.

GENERAL BUSINESS AND MATTERS FOR NOTING

ITEM NUMBER	13.9
TITLE	Use of YouthLinx Building - Anyinginyi Aboriginal Health Corporation
REFERENCE	170479
AUTHOR	Skye Price, Director Communities

RECOMMENDATION

That Council

- a) Endorse Anyinginyi's use of the Youthlinx building located in the Purkiss Reserve complex, for After School Hours care
- b) Charge Anyinginyi the subsidised sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00), per week until the conclusion of the 2016 calendar year
- c) Stipulate that the arrangement is only valid Monday until Friday inclusive, during school term times; and for a two-hour block, from 2:30pm, until 4:30pm
- d) Allow for a key to be cut and provided for a responsible Anyinginyi representative, when a key register is signed, for the duration of the agreement
- e) Stipulate that if Northern Territory Government funding is received for youth services programming, then the youth services programming will take priority over the Anyinginyi Out of School Hours Care program; and in that instance, Anyinginyi can only utilise the facility at mutually agreeable times.

SUMMARY:

Anyinginyi would like to permanently use the Barkly Regional Council Youthlinx building located in Purkiss Reserve, to provide After School Hours care for children.

The organisation has requested that the facility be provided for fifty dollars (\$50.00) and a recommendation is presented for Council's consideration, based on the request.

It is proposed that the organisation be charged one hundred dollars (\$100.00) a week for the privilege of using the facility, equivalent to twenty dollars (\$20.00) per day and equivalent to ten dollars (\$10.00) per hour.

BACKGROUND

Anyinginyi has been formally advised that the organisation is not permitted to provide After School Hours care services for young people, adjacent to the gymnasium because it breaches the requirement for children to be segregated from adult gym users (considered as general members of the public).

As an alternative, Anyinginyi has approached Barkly Regional Council to make use of the Youthlinx building. The building has been identified as a viable alternative because it is closely located to the Anyinginyi gymnasium and it is beside the basketball courts, as well as other recreational facilities.

The Youthlinx building has recently been retrofitted for youth programming, with Northern Territory Government Chief Minister's office funding. It is anticipated that the Youthlinx facility will be utilised for ongoing youth services programming, with funding from the Northern Territory Government and partnership arrangements with other Tennant Creek based social welfare agencies.

Barkly Regional Council and Anyinginyi have a positive partnership. During recent months Anyinginyi has provided the portable, electronic public address system for the formal Tennant Creek swimming pool opening for free; and have sponsored the swimming pool movie nights, by paying the licensing fees related to the movie screening rights.

Use of the Youthlinx building is proposed from Monday until Friday during school terms, between the hours of 2:30pm, until 4:30pm. That is equivalent to ten hours each week.

Anyinginyi has confirmed that they do not charge for Out of School Hours care participants.

However, Council does incur costs for utilities, including water and electricity. There is also normal wear and tear on the building, as well as routine maintenance to be considered. Despite that, it is recommended that Council not seek cost recovery for the use of the building because that would amount to an extravagant figure, disadvantaging a program which adds to the economic success, township workforce, social fabric and community capacity building amongst young families, in Tennant Creek.

Alternatively, Anyinginyi representatives have proposed payment of a nominal fifty dollars (\$50.00) per week fee, for the use of the Youthlinx building. Council's formal 2015/16 fees and charges state that the Youthlinx building hire half day fees are fifty dollars (\$50.00) for up to half a day (4 hours) and one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for a whole day. Taking account of Council's physical asset, the ongoing use of utilities and the everyday wear and tear on the facility, as well as acknowledging the Council endorsed fees and charges for 2015/16; it is instead proposed that Council endorse use of the building for a nominal fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per week, equivalent to twenty dollars a day and ten dollars (\$10.00) an hour; one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00) less than what Anyinginyi would be charged, if the formal fees and charges were upheld and applicable.

Anyinginyi have also stated that during the proposed Out of School Hours Care program, every effort will be made to ensure that the facility is staffed with responsible adults at all times; and that daily cleaning up occurs, after the program. If the facility is not suitably cleaned, cleaning fees will be charged back to the organisation.

There is a genuine need for Out of School Hours Care in Tennant Creek. There are few options for working parents and carers who require safe and fun pastoral care and supervision for their school age children.

The Anyinginyi proposal has not made reference to school holiday programming which occurs from 10:00am until 4:00pm, during week days, throughout the school term breaks. As such, this proposal excludes the Anyinginyi school holiday program.

Anyinginyi should also be aware that if Northern Territory Government funding is received for youth services programming in Tennant Creek, then any youth services programming for the Youthlinx facility will take priority over the Anyinginyi Out of School Hours care program.

ISSUE/OPTIONS/CONSEQUENCES

Nil

CONSULTATION & TIMING

Nil

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments for this report.