NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

Planning Act

AMENDMENT TO NT PLANNING SCHEME

I, DAVID WILLIAM TOLLNER, Minister for Lands and Planning, under section 25(2)(c) of the Planning Act, alter the proposal to incorporate the Darwin Regional Land Use Plan 2015 as a policy document and update the Darwin Region Principles and Framework Plans and amend the NT Planning Scheme by making the amendment, specified in the Schedule.

Dated 29/6/2015.

[Signature]

Minister for Lands and Planning

SCHEDULE

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AMENDMENT No. 392

1. Citation

This amendment to the NT Planning Scheme may be cited as Amendment No. 392.

2. Amendment to Schedule 2 - Schedule to Clause 2.7

(1) After

Northern Territory Compact Urban Growth Policy May 2015

Insert

Darwin Regional Land Use Plan 2015

Department of Lands, Planning and the Environment
3. Amendment of Clause 4.4

omit

The Planning Principles and Darwin Region, Coomalie and Finniss Land Use Framework at clause 4.2.

substitute:

4.2 DARWIN REGION

The administration of this Planning Scheme in relation to the Darwin Region is to:

(a) provide for orderly and appropriate development to cater for population growth, consistent with the Darwin Regional Land Use Framework and any applicable Area Plans in Part 8, with a focus on:
   i. the provision of a range of dwelling types to meet the needs and aspirations of all sectors of the community
   ii. the appropriate integration of new residential development taking account of the lifestyle and character of established areas
   iii. more compact and higher density development in appropriate locations proximate to facilities and services in new urban areas and on infill sites in established areas
   iv. interconnectivity with the active transport network and accessibility to public transport
   v. the development of greenfield sites in locations that promote efficient expansion or utilisation of established commercial and community services and facilities, public transport and trunk infrastructure;

(b) affirm the primacy of the Darwin Central Business District as the dominant commercial, cultural, administrative, entertainment, tourist and civic centre and promote existing and planned activity centres as the principle locations for commercial, retail and community uses serving associated catchment populations;

(c) continue to recognise as legitimate the rural lifestyle choice of many in the community with a focus on:
   i. the provision of a range of residential options outside urban areas
   ii. enhanced opportunities for local services, facilities and housing choice in appropriately serviced rural activity centres;
(d) provide a range of opportunities for future industrial development that is appropriately connected to infrastructure assets including arterial roads, port and rail facilities and necessary utilities;

(e) recognise the importance of sustainably managing the natural attributes of the Darwin Region, and the associated biodiversity, conservation or heritage values that contribute to the amenity enjoyed by residents and to the economy.
I, DAVID WILLIAM TOLLNER, Minister for Lands and Planning, under section 28(1) of the Planning Act, give notice that –

(a) I have, under section 25(2)(c) of the Act:

i. altered the proposal to establish the Darwin Regional Land Use Plan 2015 and to clarify issues of concern to the community particularly in relation to the framework for future development in rural areas;

ii. determined under section 27(2) that the alteration is not so significant as to justify the exhibition of the altered proposal;

iii. amended the NT Planning Scheme by:
   - amending clause 4.2 – Planning Principles and Framework: Darwin Region to include revised principles and a new framework plan that reflects the policy established by the Darwin Regional Land Use Plan 2015; and
   - amending Schedule 2 – Schedule to clause 2.7: Reference to Policy to include the Darwin Regional Land Use Plan 2015.

(b) copies of the amendment, (Amendment No. 392), are available from the Offices of the Department of Lands, Planning and the Environment, Ground Floor, 16 Parap Road, Parap.

Dated 29/6/2015

[Signature]
Minister for Lands and Planning
The inclusion of the Darwin Regional Land Use Plan 2015 as a policy document under the NT Planning Scheme, and consequential amendments to the Darwin Region, Coomalie and Finnis land use frameworks and associated planning principles, will provide a strategic policy framework to guide the future growth and development of the Darwin Region.

DAVID WILLIAM TOLLNER
Minister for Lands and Planning

29/6/2015