NORTHERN TERRITORY PLANNING SCHEME
AMENDMENT No. 552

The Katherine East Area Plan is introduced into the NT Planning Scheme to guide the staged development of future suburban residential neighbourhoods.

I made minor alterations after exhibition of the Katherine East Area Plan and consequential amendments to the Katherine Land Use Plan. I consider the altered proposal suitable for the Planning Scheme because:

- alterations to the exhibited proposal are in response to, and provide clarity on, matters raised during statutory exhibition of the Area Plan;
- the Area Plan will ensure a long-term supply of suburban residential land within the Municipality of Katherine on land that is not flood affected; and
- the Area Plan supports the strategic land use direction provided by the Katherine Land Use Plan 2014.

I altered the revised Area Plan after exhibition to make minor changes and to provide clarity on the matters stated below. I decided not to exhibit these alterations, as they did not change the intent of the Area Plan as exhibited.

Plan 1- Locality Plan
In response to comment, clarification that future southern access to Uralla Road is not dependent on the future alternate heavy vehicle route.

Plan 6 – Focus Area A – Katherine East Neighbourhood Centre
In response to comment, clarification that additional local traffic access onto Cypress Street will require additional traffic impact assessment; and, at planning principle 7, acceptable response 2.iii is added to ensure that retail development will be in balance with the existing retail in the town centre.

EVA DINA LAWLER
Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics

30/4 2020
I, EVA DINA LAWLER, Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics, under sections 25(2)(c) of the Planning Act 1999, amend the NT Planning Scheme by making the amendment, specified in the Schedule.

Dated 30th April 2020.

[Signature]
Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics

SCHEDULE

AMENDMENT TO NT PLANNING SCHEME

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1. Citation

This amendment to the NT Planning Scheme may be cited as Amendment No. 552

2. Definition

In this amendment –

"area plan" means area plan within the meaning of the NT Planning Scheme.
3. Amendments to the Katherine Land Use Plan 2014

(1) Figure 1: Land Use Structure, page 6 of the Katherine Land Use Plan 2014

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Executive Summary: section under 'Commercial' heading, page iv of the Katherine Land Use Plan 2014

The existing commercial hub on Katherine Terrace comprises a diverse mix of commercial activities and is the focus of many community and business interactions in the town. However, the Katherine commercial hub is entirely within the predicted flood extent and this has restrained the redevelopment of commercial uses.

A site off the Stuart Highway in Katherine East adjacent to the Katherine Research Station has been identified for a neighbourhood centre to accommodate immediate demand for a large format supermarket and associated small retail outlets.

The possible future heavy vehicle bypass and a southern extension of Chambers Drive with a link to Giles Street have the potential to address some aspects of the traffic management on Katherine Terrace. The incorporation of flood protection measures in building design will also assist in meeting the challenges of further development of the centre.

A site in the later stages of the Katherine East urban area has been identified to accommodate long term retail and commercial development in association with the future health precinct.
4. Amendment to the Schedule to clause 2.7 – Reference to Policy

Schedule 2 -

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