

THE NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 57 of 1980

AN ACT

To amend the Local Government Act

[Assented to 22 December 1980]

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory of Australia, with the assent as provided by the *Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act 1978* of the Commonwealth, as follows:

1. SHORT TITLE

This Act may be cited as the Local Government Amendment Act (No. 3) 1980.

2. COMMENCEMENT

This Act shall come into operation on the date on which the Crown Lands Amendment Act (No. 2) 1980 comes into operation.

3. PRINCIPAL ACT

The Local Government Act is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

4. NEW SECTION

After section 324 of the Principal Act the following section is inserted in Division 2 of Part XV:

"324A. POWERS AS REGISTERED PROPRIETOR OF LAND ON WHICH THERE IS A ROAD

"(1) Where a council holds an interest in land on which there is a road or mall or a part of a road or mall, its powers under section 304 include power, subject to Part IV of the Crown Lands Act and to this section -

(a) to lease the land;

(b) to develop the land, or participate with or assist other persons in the development of the land, in such manner as it thinks fit; and

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(c) to manage the land, or participate with or assist other persons in the management of the land, in such manner as it thinks fit.

"(2) The power referred to in sub-section (1) to participate with other persons includes power to enter into any joint venture agreement.

"(3) A council shall not exercise a power by reference to sub-section (1), except with and in accordance with the approval of the Minister.

"(4) Nothing contained in sub-section (1)(b) absolves a council from the need to comply with the provisions of the Planning Act in relation to development."