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PALMERSTON
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PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA

MINUTES ATTACHMENTS

COUNCIL

9:00 AM, WEDNESDAY 5 MARCH 2025

COUNCIL CHAMBER, FIRST FLOOR
CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
32 THE SQUARE, PALMERSTON NORTH

COUNCIL MEETING

5 March 2025

10 Approval for the Mayor to travel to China for the 3rd New Zealand - China Mayoral Forum in May 2025

1. Letter from the Chinese People's Assn for Friendship with Foreign Countries

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中国人民对外友好协会

THE CHINESE PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION FOR
FRIENDSHIP WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES

格兰特·史密斯
新西兰全球城市协会主席

尊敬的史密斯主席：

很高兴与您通信，探讨贵我两组织携手推动中国—新西兰友城交流合作事。根据此前沟通，中国人民对外友好协会特此正式邀请新西兰全球城市协会共同主办第三届中新市长论坛暨中新友城交流节。论坛计划于5月19日至22日在四川省成都市举行。成都市人民政府拟担任论坛承办单位。

论坛拟邀请中新双方各10个左右城市代表与会，展示双方在经贸、旅游、教育、文化、地方治理等领域友城交流合作成果。鼓励双方城市直接与各自友城探讨确定展示内容和形式。

我会愿承担中方城市邀请联络工作，希请贵会牵头联络新方参会城市。新方参会代表（每个城市不超过6人）在蓉食宿费用由中方主办方负担，国际旅费自理。

我们期待后续与您就论坛筹备工作保持沟通，共同激活更新论坛机制，使两国更多城市和人民从中新友城关系中受益。

中国人民对外友好协会会长

2025年3月4日

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Translated Text

March 4, 2025

Mayor Grant Smith
National President
Global Cities New Zealand

Dear President Smith,

It gives me great pleasure to write to you about our collaboration on jointly carrying forward China-New Zealand sister city exchanges and cooperation. Based on previous communication, the Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries (the CPAFFC) would like to officially invite Global Cities New Zealand (GCNZ) to co-host the 3rd China-New Zealand Mayoral Forum and Festival from May 19 to 22 in Chengdu city, Sichuan province, China. The People's Government of Chengdu Municipality has agreed to be the co-organizer of the event.

We hope to invite representatives of approximately 10 cities from New Zealand and China respectively to join in this event, demonstrating the achievements of their sister city exchanges and cooperation in areas such as economy and trade, tourism, education, culture and urban governance. Cities are encouraged to contact their counterparts directly and discuss on what they would like to share during the forum.

The CPAFFC will be more than happy to be the liason for Chinese cities while it'll be much appreciated that GCNZ could take the lead in connecting New Zealand cities. The accomodation for New Zealand

delegates (up to 6 persons per city) in Chengdu (3 nights) will be covered by the Chinese side, while international air fare will be borne by themselves.

We look forward to working with you closely for the following weeks and regenerating the China-New Zealand Mayoral Forum mechanism, so that more cities and the people live there could further benefit from the growing ties between our two beautiful countries.

Sincerely,

Yang Wanming
President
CPAFFC