



# **MINUTES**

**Special Council Meeting  
Monday, 8 May 2023**

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**MINUTES OF MOUNT ISA CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 23 WEST STREET, MOUNT ISA  
ON MONDAY, 8 MAY 2023 AT 9:00 AM**

**PRESENT:** Crs Slade, Barwick, Fortune, MacRae, Stretton, Coghlan

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Chileya Luangala (Director Corporate and Community), Dale Dickson (CEO), Stephen Jewell (Acting Director Infrastructure Services)

**1 OPENING OF THE MEETING/ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

Mayor Slade opened the meeting at 9.05 am.

**2 APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**APOLOGY**

**RESOLUTION SM01/05/23**

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae

Seconded: Cr Phil Barwick

**THAT** the apology received from Cr Tully be accepted and leave of absence granted.

**CARRIED 5**

**3 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Nil

**4 CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS ITEMS**

**RESOLUTION SM02/05/23**

Moved: Cr Phil Barwick

Seconded: Cr George Fortune

**THAT** Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 254J of the Local Government Regulation 2012:

**4.1 MRF Report - Building Tender Evaluation and Proposed Introduction of Kerbside Recycling**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - g of the Local Government Regulation, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.

**CARRIED 5**

At 9:31 am, Cr Kim Coghlan joined the meeting.

### RESOLUTION SM03/05/23

Moved: Cr George Fortune

Seconded: Cr Peta MacRae

**THAT** Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council at 10:00 am.

**CARRIED 6**

## 4.1 MRF REPORT - BUILDING TENDER EVALUATION AND PROPOSED INTRODUCTION OF KERBSIDE RECYCLING

### RESOLUTION SM04/05/23

Moved: Cr Phil Barwick

Seconded: Cr George Fortune

**THAT** Council accepts the tender evaluation panel recommendation and resolves to award a contract with Strategic Builders Pty Ltd for Separable Portion 1 and 2 (MRF Building and Civil Works and Entrance road re-alignment and weighbridge) for the contract award value of **\$11,358,520 - \$11,928,231**, and delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, finalise and enter into the contract.

AND

**THAT** Council proceeds with the development of the MRF and the introduction of kerbside recycling not earlier than 1 July 2024 for the following key reasons:

- Avoids the commercial risk of terminating the MRF equipment (RDT) contract, which has a commercial exposure of \$3M to \$4M;
- Avoids the commercial risk of refunding BBRF grant funding payments received from Federal Government and mitigates reputational risk to Council for future funding applications;
- Extends the lifespan of the landfill by 4-5 years, which is currently forecast to reach closure capacity in 2062;
- Waste Levy annual payments to councils will be reviewed in 2025 and this decision mitigates the risk that the waste levy refund will be discontinued resulting in additional costs of approximately \$884,000 per annum for municipal solid waste disposed to landfill;
- Aligns with the Queensland Waste and Resource Recovery Strategy and the Recycling Enterprise Precinct Local Strategy (DSD), which prefers Mount Isa as a transformation precinct for recycling.

In Favour: Crs Danielle Slade, Phil Barwick and George Fortune

Against: Crs Peta MacRae, Paul Stretton and Kim Coghlan

Absent: Cr Mick Tully

The Motion was duly **CARRIED** on the casting vote of the Mayor.

**There being no further business the Meeting closed at 10:14am.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Council Meeting held on 24 May 2023.**

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**CHAIRPERSON**