



# **MINUTES**

**Ordinary Council Meeting  
Wednesday, 18 December 2024**

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**MINUTES OF MOUNT ISA CITY COUNCIL  
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 23 WEST STREET, MOUNT ISA  
ON WEDNESDAY, 18 DECEMBER 2024 AT 9:00 AM**

**PRESENT:** Crs MacRae, Coghlan, Coghlan, Crowther, Doyle, Tully

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Tim Rose (CEO), Chiley Luangala (Director, Corporate Services), Brian Atherinos (Manager, Economic and Community Development)

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

Mayor MacRae opening the meeting at 9:00am, provided the Acknowledgement of Country, and advised the Chamber is being livestreamed.

**2 PRAYER**

Evelyn from the Salvation Army provided the Prayer.

**3 APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**APOLOGY**

**RESOLUTION OM01/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae

Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

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

**CARRIED 6**

**4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

SES were invited to the meeting to receive their donation of \$181.75 raised by Mount Isa City Council staff through the Casual For a Cause fundraising initiative, however as a representative of the SES could not make it today, the award was presented yesterday to Sandie Wallison at the LDMG meeting.

Sandie advised it was going to be used for a recruitment drive and that SES are always looking for new members.

**5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

**5.1 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 27 NOVEMBER 2024**

**RESOLUTION OM02/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr John Tully

**THAT** the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 27 November 2024 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

**CARRIED 6**

## **6 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS**

### **6.1 OUTSTANDING ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS AS AT 05 DECEMBER 2024**

#### **RESOLUTION OM03/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

**THAT** Council receives and notes the outstanding actions from previous Council Meetings as at 05 December 2024

**CARRIED 6**

## **7 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Nil

## **8 MAYORAL MINUTE**

Being the last meeting for 2024, I would like to take the opportunity to thank the councillors and staff for the fantastic work they have done this year. Mount Isa City Council as an organisation has had a new look and feel this year and we have achieved some significant milestones.

We have done the parks replacement program, completion of the MRF, the recycling education program whereas up to the 13<sup>th</sup> December the waste collected have very little contamination due to the hard work of our staff, completion of the transformation and diversification strategy, and an upgrade of the park in Camooweal.

Our Acting CEO became our permanent CEO adding continuity to the team that has not been present for some time.

We have two new councillors on the audit and risk committee, Cr Ballard and Cr James Coghlan, adding oversight to policies, procedures and to the business units to find value for rate payers.

We have three new councillors on the MICCOE board, Cr Crowther, Cr Tully and myself – working with management to rectify maintenance issues, increase sales and look at cost reduction.

The Civic Centre has once again been embraced by the community as somewhere to come for community events, such as awards nights, formals and other civic activities. The staff there have put on entertainment that the community have loved, such as the Bluey show and the Bubble Spectacular. Both the Civic Centre and the library have celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> birthday this year.

As a community we have taken part in the 6 celebrations held by Mount Isa Mines to celebrate their 100 years. Thanks to their team for providing these celebrations – it has indeed been a busy year and one of my first jobs as Mayor was to do the speech on the family fun night and one of the highlights of the year was giving the speech at the 100 year “not casa” ball.

In terms of our economic recovery, as a council we have signed three MoU’s that will bring new transformative projects to our town in the future:

- Green Gravity
- Flying Whales
- Cobalt Blue

While 2025 will be another year of extreme uncertainty economically and we will have yet another election (the federal one) – there is much to look forward to. The only thing we can be certain of is change and how we adapt and react will be the predictor of success. Preparation is key and we as Mount Isa City Council feel prepared for the upcoming challenges and look forward to sharing our future ready economic roadmap being launched on the 21<sup>st</sup> of February.

Many of you would've heard in the media this morning that the state government have committed to giving Mount Isa City Council \$2 million dollars for our economic recovery and to be used to ensure the continuity of Mount Isa Rodeo. We have listened to the community and have undertaken not to use rate payer's funds for this purpose, but were very pleased when the government stepped in to offer support and to grant Mount Isa City Council funds to help pay suppliers. Moving forward, council intends to have a seat on the new board made up of community members, with our representative being Cr John Tully.

I hope everyone that is travelling over the break drives carefully and everyone has some downtime to spend with friends and family.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and I look forward to seeing you all back and refreshed in 2025.

## MOTION

### RESOLUTION OM04/ 12/24

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae

Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

**THAT** Councillor John Tully be nominated as our representative on the new Rodeo board.

**CARRIED 6**

## 9 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

## 10 EXECUTIVE SERVICES REPORTS

### 10.1 ANNUAL REPORT 2023 - 2024

#### RESOLUTION OM05/ 12/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

**THAT** Council resolves to adopt the Annual Report for the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 for the Mount Isa City Council in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 2009* and associated regulations, and delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to make minor administrative amendments and finalise all matters associated with publishing this report.

**CARRIED 6**

**11 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS****11.1 CORPORATE SERVICES OVERVIEW REPORT - OCTOBER 2024 AND NOVEMBER 2024****RESOLUTION OM06/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther  
Seconded: Cr John Tully

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the October 2024 and November 2024 Corporate Services Overview Report as presented.

**CARRIED 6****11.2 FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT - NOVEMBER 2024****RESOLUTION OM07/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther  
Seconded: Cr John Tully

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the November 2024 Finance Overview Report as presented.

**CARRIED 6****11.3 MICC DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS UNITS - FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT AS OF 30 NOVEMBER 2024****RESOLUTION OM08/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther  
Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the November 2024 MICC Departmental Business Units Finance Overview Report as presented.

In Favour: Crs Peta MacRae, Kim Coghlan, Travis Crowther and John Doyle

Against: Nil

Abstained: Crs James Coghlan and John Tully

Absent: Cr Dan Ballard

**CARRIED 4/0****11.4 ADVERTISING SPENDING POLICY V8****RESOLUTION OM09/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther  
Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

**THAT** Council adopts the Advertising Spending Policy V8 as presented.

**CARRIED 6**

**12 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORTS****12.1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY REPORT - SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER 2024****RESOLUTION OM10/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr John Doyle

Seconded: Cr John Tully

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the Community Development Quarterly Report September – November 2024 as presented.

**CARRIED 6**

**12.2 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY REPORT - SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER 2024****RESOLUTION OM11/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the Economic Development Quarterly Report September – November 2024 as presented.

**CARRIED 6**

**12.3 ENVIRONMENTAL AND BIOSECURITY QUARTERLY REPORT - SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER 2024****RESOLUTION OM12/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr James Coghlan

Seconded: Cr John Tully

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the Environmental and Biosecurity Report September to November 2024 as presented.

**CARRIED 6**

**12.4 EVENTS QUARTERLY REPORT - SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER 2024****RESOLUTION OM13/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr John Doyle

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the Events Quarterly Report September – November 2024 as presented.

**CARRIED 6**



**12.5 SPLASHEZ QUARTERLY REPORT - SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER 2024****RESOLUTION OM14/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr John Tully

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the Splashez Quarterly Report September – November 2024 as presented.

**CARRIED 6**

**12.6 REGIONAL JOBS COMMITTEE QUARTERLY REPORT - SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER 2024****RESOLUTION OM15/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the Regional Jobs Committee Report Quarterly September – November 2024 as presented.

**CARRIED 6**

**12.7 TOURISM AND MARKETING QUARTERLY REPORT - SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER 2024****RESOLUTION OM16/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr John Doyle

Seconded: Cr John Tully

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the Tourism and Marketing Quarterly Report September – November 2024 as presented.

**CARRIED 6**

**12.8 CIVIC CENTRE AND BUCHANAN PARK QUARTERLY REPORT - SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER 2024****RESOLUTION OM17/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr John Doyle

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the Civic Centre and Buchanan Park Quarterly Report September – November 2024 as presented.

**CARRIED 6**

**12.9 LAND USE REQUEST - GIDGEE HEALING RIVERBED PROJECT****RESOLUTION OM18/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan  
Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

**THAT** Council does not provide in-principal support for the proposed River Parkland Project proposed by Gidgee Healing.

In Favour: Crs James Coghlan, Kim Coghlan, Travis Crowther, John Doyle and John Tully

Against: Cr Peta MacRae

Absent: Cr Dan Ballard

**CARRIED 5/1**

**MOTION****RESOLUTION OM19/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae  
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

**THAT**

Council declines to provide in-principal support for the current proposed design due to the inclusion of permanent infrastructure within the floodplain

**AND**

Council recommends the proponent investigate options to improve the amenity of the area without placing additional infrastructure within the existing floodplain.

In Favour: Crs Peta MacRae, Travis Crowther, John Doyle and John Tully

Against: Crs James Coghlan and Kim Coghlan

Absent: Cr Dan Ballard

**CARRIED 4/2**

**12.10 REQUEST TO WAIVE WASTE DISPOSAL FEES - MOUNT ISA RUGBY LEAGUE INC.****RESOLUTION OM20/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr John Doyle  
Seconded: Cr John Tully

**THAT** Council approves Mount Isa Rugby League Inc. to receive a waste disposal fee waiver up to the value of \$10,000 (inc. GST) for their facilities upgrade project at Alec Inch Oval subject to payment of any overdue debt.

In Favour: Crs Peta MacRae, James Coghlan, Kim Coghlan, John Doyle and John Tully

Against: Cr Travis Crowther

Absent: Cr Dan Ballard

**CARRIED 5/1**

**13 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORTS****13.1 MAJOR PROJECTS OVERVIEW REPORT - NOVEMBER 2024****RESOLUTION OM21/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr John Tully

Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

**THAT** Council receives and notes the November 2024 Major Projects Overview Report.

**AND**

**THAT** Council endorses the funding application for the Construction of Stage 2 Fourth Avenue PCNP and separately the Construction of the Soldiers Hill PCNP for an estimated value of \$1,600,793 and \$3,776,453 respectively in the Active Transport Fun Program, on the basis that Council will be required to fund 50% of the total.

**CARRIED 6**

**14 GENERAL BUSINESS**

Cr Doyle, Cr Crowther, Cr Tully, Cr J Coghlan and Deputy Mayor K Coghlan each provided an update on recent activities and events in the community.

Council expressed their condolence for the passing of Rod Wilkinson, and advised their thoughts and prayers are with his family.

**15 CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS ITEMS****RESOLUTION OM22/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae

Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

**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:

**15.1 Tender Report 2024-12 MICC Shared Path Fourth Avenue Construction**

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.

**15.2 Smart Water Meter Contract Variations**

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.

**15.3 Notice of Intention to Sell Land for Overdue Rates and Charges**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - (d) and (e) 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 rating concessions

and legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government.

#### 15.4 FY24/25 Quarter 1 Budget Review

This matter is considered to be confidential under - 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 .

#### 15.5 Administrative Pay Increase

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - (b) 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 industrial matters affecting employees.

**CARRIED 6**

Commenced Closed Council at 10:05am.

#### RESOLUTION OM23/ 12/24

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae  
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

**THAT** Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

**CARRIED 6**

Resumed Open Council at 10:42am.

#### 15.1 TENDER REPORT 2024-12 MICC SHARED PATH FOURTH AVENUE CONSTRUCTION

#### RESOLUTION OM24/ 12/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan  
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

**THAT** Council resolves to:

- Award Contract 2024-12 Principal Cycle Network Program (PCNP) Fourth Avenue Construction to Arid To Oasis Solutions Pty Ltd (trading as Auzscot Constructions) for Separable Portion 1 (Stage 1 works) to the value of \$335,243.07 (Ex GST).
- Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, finalise and enter into the contract.

In Favour: Crs Peta MacRae, Kim Coghlan, Travis Crowther, John Doyle and John Tully

Against: Nil

Abstained: Cr James Coghlan

Absent: Cr Dan Ballard

**CARRIED 5/0**

**15.2 SMART WATER METER CONTRACT VARIATIONS**

**RESOLUTION OM25/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther  
 Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

**THAT** Council approve variations 17a, 19, 20, 23, 24, 26, 30 (50%), 34 and 35 totalling \$96,694  
**AND**

**THAT** Council reject the variations 21, 28, 30 (50%), 31, 32, 33, 36, 37 and 40 totalling \$451,567 and continue to negotiate on the remainder (items 18, 22, 25, 27, 29, 38, 39 totalling \$287,904) to determine the substance and validity.

**CARRIED 6**

**15.3 NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SELL LAND FOR OVERDUE RATES AND CHARGES**

**RESOLUTION OM26/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr James Coghlan  
 Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

**THAT** Council resolves to:

- (a) Repeal previous Resolution OM24/08/24; and
- (b) Sell the land in the below Schedule pursuant to section 140(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*; and
- (c) Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer its power to:
  - i. give a Notice of Intention to Sell the land to all interested parties under section 140(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*; and
  - ii. take all further steps required under sections 141, 142, 143, 144, 145 and 146 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* to effect the sale of the land.

**Schedule**

Rates Assessment	Utility Account	Description
10001527	21101274	LOT 2 ON CP MPH30266
10002061	21101787	LOT 30 ON CP MPH22045
10004125	21103759	LOT 22 ON CP M758196
10008001	21107552	LOT 60 ON CP M758141
10020030	21118518	LOT 7 ON CP MPH21961
10020576	21118849	LOT 12 ON CP MPH21945
10023653	21121702	LOT 30002 ON CP M758147
10023869	21121918	LOT 1 ON CP M758146
10023877	21121926	LOT 2 ON CP M758146
10036341	21133434	LOT 2 ON CP MPH8021
10038081	21135066	LOT 70 ON CP MPH14004
10038107	21135082	LOT 68 ON CP MPH14004
10044360	21141056	LOT 10 ON CP M758107
10045888	21142476	LOT 5-6 ON CP MPH7938
10053403	21148614	LOT 16 ON CP MPH40024
10056414	21151154	LOT 12 ON CP MPH14008

10060499	21154273	LOT 9 ON CP MP 21970
10070936	21164116	LOT 62 ON CP MPH40066
10071900	21164942	LOT 32 ON RP907591

**CARRIED 6**

**15.4 FY24/25 QUARTER 1 BUDGET REVIEW**

**RESOLUTION OM27/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr John Tully

**THAT** Council receives the FY24/25 Quarter 1 Budget Review for the period ending 30 September 2024.

**CARRIED 6**

**15.5 ADMINISTRATIVE PAY INCREASE**

**RESOLUTION OM28/ 12/24**

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

**THAT** Council approves an administrative pay increase of 4% from the pay period commencing 2 December 2024 for all employees excluding those on fixed term contracts.

**CARRIED 6**

**There being no further business the Meeting closed at 10:47am.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Council Meeting held on 29 January 2025.**

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**CHAIRPERSON**