



# **AGENDA**

## **Supplementary Reports Ordinary Council Meeting Wednesday, 28 February 2024**

**Date: Wednesday, 28 February 2024**

**Time: 9:00 am**

**Location: Council Chambers  
23 West Street  
Mount Isa**

**Tim Rose  
Acting Chief Executive Officer**

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**Directorate:** Executive Services

**Portfolio:** Engineering, Roads, Rural Works, Concrete Batch Plant

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

During the 2022/23 wet season, the Northwest Region experienced significant rain events, resulting in widespread flooding and extensive damage to Council's road network.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** Council award Package 1 – Camooweal restoration works to Durack Civil Pty Ltd under contract number 2023-41 for the value of \$1,972,769.49 ex GST;

**AND**

**THAT** Council award Package 2 – Camooweal-Urandangi Road restoration works to Brindell Pty Ltd, trading as Remploy, under contract number 2023-42 for the value of \$1,753,555.46 ex GST;

**AND**

**THAT** Council does award Package 3 – Thorntonia-Yelvertoft Road, Old Mays Downs Road, Gunpowder Road, Mount Oxide Road, Kajabbi Road and Duchess Road restoration works to Durack Civil Pty Ltd under contract number 2023-43 for the value of \$4,606,532.59 ex GST;

**AND**

**THAT** Council award Package 4 – Riversleigh Road and Riversleigh-Lilly Water Hole Road restoration works to T's Plant Hire Pty Ltd under contract number 2023-44 for the value of \$2,752,488.80 ex GST;

**AND**

**THAT** Council award Package 5 – Thorntonia-Yelvertoft Road and Gunpowder Road concrete works to Blackform Contracting Pty Ltd under contract number 2023-45 for the value of \$335,625.46 ex GST.

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**OVERVIEW**

Due to the severity of the damage to Council's road network, as a consequence of heavy rain and flooding, Council triggered a funding request to the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA). Emergency works were commenced, photographic evidence gathered and reports detailing the extent of the damage were prepared. A submission was made to QRA and longer-term repairs were approved. Five reconstruction packages were developed and put out to tender.

**BACKGROUND**

Tenders closed for the five packages on 5 February 2024. Evaluations were undertaken, and a tender consensus meeting was held on 16 February 2024. The above recommendations were determined by a panel consisting of the Director of Infrastructure Services, the Strategic Procurement Manager and a project manager from Northlane Pty Ltd., Council's contracted DRFA project manager. The tender evaluation report is attached.

Award of these tenders is considered a 'major policy decision' during the local government caretaker period. Therefore, Council's CEO wrote to the Minister seeking an exemption to award the tenders during the 2024 local government caretaker period under section 90B(2) of the Local Government Act 2009. This application for exemption was successful and approval has been granted for Council to make this decision during caretaker period.

**BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

These packages and associated consultant fees are 100% funded by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA)

**LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN**

Theme:	3.	Services & Infrastructure
Strategy:	3.1	Undertake a review of Council's Services
	3.12	Analyse current roads and other associated infrastructure to determine priorities
	3.13	Determine strategic levels of service within Council's Asset Management Plans to provide well maintained bridges, sealed and unsealed roads, including footpaths and stormwater drainage throughout urban, industrial and rural areas

**CONSULTATION (INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL)**

Consultation was undertaken with QRA and Northlane Pty Ltd.

**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

All required legal considerations have been met with the tenders evaluated fairly, with considerations being given to price, locality and capability. There were no conflicts of interest declared by the panel members.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

**RISK IMPLICATIONS**

The perceived risk is the packages not being completed by the due date; hence contractors and their resource capabilities have been heavily scrutinized. There is also the risk of inclement weather causing delay to the works, and supply issues.

**HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS**

Human rights have been considered by the assessment of works programs and rosters to ensure

that contractors have the necessary human resources to finish projects on schedule to ensure acceptable working conditions and fatigue management requirements are met.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. **2023 DRFA MICC Packages - (Confidential)**
2. **Letter from DDG Local Government Division** [↓](#) 

Our reference: DEPBN24/81



Department of  
**Housing, Local Government,  
Planning and Public Works**

31 January 2024

Mr Tim Rose  
Chief Executive Officer  
Mount Isa City Council  
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Dear Mr Rose

Re: Making major policy decisions during caretaker period – Mount Isa City Council

Thank you for your letter of 19 December 2023, seeking an exemption to make major policy decisions during the 2024 local government caretaker period (caretaker period) under section 90B(2) of the *Local Government Act 2009* (the Act).

I have been delegated by the Honourable Meaghan Scanlon, Minister for Housing, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Public Works to assess your application for approval for a major policy decision during the caretaker period for the 2024 quadrennial election.

Section 90B of the Act provides that the Minister for Local Government, may give approval to an otherwise prohibited major policy decision during a caretaker period, if satisfied that having regard to exceptional circumstances that apply, it is necessary for the Local Government to make the major policy decision in the public interest.

I am required to determine whether there are exceptional circumstances that apply to your application and that any approval to allow a major policy decision to be made during a caretaker period is in the public interest. I have therefore taken these factors into account.

I have decided to approve your application based on the factors above.

If you need further information, Ms Louisa Lynch, Director, Governance and Capability, Local Government Division in the Department of Housing, Local Government, Planning and Public Works can be contacted on (07) 3452 6747 or by email at [Louisa.Lynch@dsgi.qld.gov.au](mailto:Louisa.Lynch@dsgi.qld.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Joshua Hannan'.

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