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**Ordinary Council Meeting
Wednesday, 29 January 2025**

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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, 29 JANUARY 2025 AT 9.00AM**

PRESENT: Crs MacRae, Ballard, K Coghlan, J Coghlan, Crowther, Tully

IN ATTENDANCE: Tim Rose (CEO), Chad King (Director, Community Services), Chileya Luangala (Director, Corporate Services), Stephen Jewell (Director, Infrastructure Services)

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

Pastor Dave Quilty from the Isa Community Church provided the Prayer.

3 APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

APOLOGY

RESOLUTION OM01/ 01/25

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae

Seconded: Cr John Tully

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

CARRIED 6

4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mayor MacRae presented the representative from Kmart, Ashlea, with a certificate of donation for \$220 raised by Council staff through the 'Casual for a Cause' fund raising initiative for the Wishing Tree Appeal.

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

5.1 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 18 DECEMBER 2024

RESOLUTION OM02/ 01/25

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 18 December 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 23 JANUARY 2025

RESOLUTION OM03/ 01/25

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

THAT Council receives and notes the outstanding actions from previous Council Meetings as at 23 January 2025.

CARRIED 6

7 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

8 MAYORAL MINUTE

"I would like to start by congratulating all of our Australia Day Award winners and welcoming all of our new citizens:

- **Citizen of the Year:** Sue Wicks
- **Junior Citizen:** Ashlea Lavell
- **Senior Citizen:** Keith Ballard
- **Senior Sports:** Sunny Raitava and Allan Hazle
- **Junior Sport:** Jean Lavell and Yasmin Wyld-Hill
- **Community Event of the Year:** Great Northern Rodeo Series
- **Arts & Cultural Award:** Shaylee McGregor
- **Spirit of Mount Isa:** John Davies, Kate Fischer, Lee Allice, Phoebe Ryder, Zara Kuskopf, Jay Morris, Dave Bartolo, and Aubrey Liyanage

On that day we had over 20 new citizens. A big thankyou to Penny and Cr K Coghlan for taking an active part in organising that event. It was very successful and we have received great feedback. It is these events that bring unity and community spirit to our town.

Our next event is this weekend with the super Sign on Expo and the weekend after with the Welcome to Mount Isa event. We also have the launch of our Future Economy Roadmap coming up on the 21st of February so most of the Executive Officers have been extremely busy finalising that document and event.

I would like to farewell our Director of Corporate Services, Chileya, who has been with us for over three years. I would like to wish her and her family all the best in the future and thank Chileya for the work she has done for Council in that time.

We will be moving into confidential early in the agenda today in order to discuss the Rodeo creditors meeting that is happening today at 11am.

Many of you would've seen the creditors report. I hope today sees an end to this saga as there are no winners here other than an out of town company that has used the misfortune of others to help themselves. I have read the report thoroughly and many accounts of events are different to my own, however I will let it go as the more this is talked about the more reputational damage occurs to our beloved event. I feel bad for the State Government who tried to do the right thing by our town in our hour of need, our Council who got involved to help creditors even though it was not our responsibility, and we ourselves are in fact a creditor, the creditors, our event and our town that has received much unwanted negative publicity in order to detract attention from the real story, the money being accrued daily by the administrator. The breakdown on page 25 of the creditors report outlines that the administrator, his legal and consultants will take approximately \$728,000 of the funding provided which is disappointing for creditors to say the least. Let's hope that this is wound up ASAP to limit further charges.

To finish off, I would like to thank the Wellness Committee for putting on the whole staff breakfast this morning. I know it was really well received by staff and I think it is great for the staffs mental health to get around and chat with other people in the organisation and do some social bonding while at work, thank you very much to the wellness committee."

9 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

10 EXECUTIVE SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 UPDATED POLICIES FOR ADOPTION

RESOLUTION OM04/ 01/25

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council adopts the following Statutory Policies:-

1. Administrative Actions Complaints Policy;
2. Audit and Risk Committee Charter;
3. Entertainment and Hospitality Policy;
4. Fireworks Policy;
5. Public Interest Disclosure Policy;
6. Standing Orders Policy.

CARRIED 6

10.2 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR THE SALE OF COUNCILS BATCH PLANT**RESOLUTION OM05/ 01/25**

Moved: Cr John Tully

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council resolves that it is in the public interest to invite Expressions of Interest for the sale of Council's batch plant situated at 183 Duchess Road, Mount Isa, before inviting written tenders, as an Expressions of Interest will inform a decision regarding the future sale of this Council owned asset.

AND

THAT Council call Expressions of Interest for the disposal of the land, concrete batch plant and equipment by the following options:

Option A: Sale of the land and batch plant by a purchase and operate on current site with all equipment as detailed in this report.

Option B: Sale of the batch plant by a purchase and remove from current site with all equipment as detailed in this report.

AND

THAT Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to finalise the expressions of interest for the disposal of the Ready-mix batch plant.

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

Against: Cr James Coghlan

Absent: Cr John Doyle

CARRIED 5/1

10.3 STRATEGIC FLEET COMMITTEE - ADOPTION OF TERMS OF REFERENCE & APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEE**RESOLUTION OM06/ 01/25**

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council approves the Terms of Reference of the Strategic Fleet Committee as presented

AND

THAT Council appoint Councillor Tully and Councillor Ballard to the Strategic Fleet Committee.

CARRIED 6

10.4 ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT MOUNT ISA FUTURE READY ECONOMY ROADMAP**RESOLUTION OM07/ 01/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther
Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

THAT Council adopts the draft Mount Isa Future Ready Economy Roadmap

AND

THAT Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to approve further amendments.

CARRIED 6

Please note the Council moved the meeting into confidential early due to the time-sensitive nature of the resolution for item 15.1.

RESOLUTION OM08/ 01/25

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 Asset Sale Agreement Isa Rodeo Limited

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - (e) and (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 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 and 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 6

Commenced Closed Council at 9:19am.

RESOLUTION OM09/ 01/25

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

CARRIED 6

Resumed Open Council at 9:42am.

Cr John Tully declared a perceived conflict of interest in relation to item 15.1 due to his position on the Rodeo Committee. Cr Tully will be dealing with this declared conflict of interest by leaving the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on.

At 9:44am, Cr John Tully left the meeting.

15.1 ASSET SALE AGREEMENT ISA RODEO LIMITED**RESOLUTION OM10/ 01/25**

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council authorise the CEO to sign the asset sale agreement between Isa Rodeo Limited (seller) and Mount Isa City Council (buyer) on behalf of Council.

In Favour: Crs Peta MacRae, Dan Ballard, James Coghlan, Kim Coghlan and Travis Crowther

Against: Nil

Absent: Crs John Doyle and John Tully

CARRIED 5

At 9:45, Cr John Tully returned to the meeting.

11 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS**11.1 FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT - DECEMBER 2024****RESOLUTION OM11/ 01/25**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
Seconded: Cr John Tully

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

CARRIED 6

11.2 MICC DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS UNITS - FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT AS OF 31 DECEMBER 2024**RESOLUTION OM12/ 01/25**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

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

CARRIED 6

11.3 MICCOE FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT - NOVEMBER 2024**RESOLUTION OM13/ 01/25**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

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

CARRIED 6

11.4 MICCOE FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT - DECEMBER 2024**RESOLUTION OM14/ 01/25**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council receives and accepts the December 2024 MICCOE Finance Overview Report as presented.

CARRIED 6

PROCEDURAL MOTION**RESOLUTION OM15/ 01/25**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

THAT Council lays agenda item 11.5 Asset Management Plans for Adoption on the table for consideration at the Ordinary Meeting on 26 February 2025 to allow additional time for Councillors to review and further understand the plans.

CARRIED 6

11.6 WORKFORCE MANAGEMENT TRANSFORMATION ACTION PLAN**RESOLUTION OM16/ 01/25**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council adopts the draft MICC - Workforce Management Transformation Action Plan as presented.

CARRIED 6

12 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORTS**12.1 REGULATORY SERVICES REPORT - JULY TO DECEMBER 2024****RESOLUTION OM17/ 01/25**

Moved: Cr James Coghlan
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council receives and accepts the Regulatory Services Report as presented.

CARRIED 6

12.2 LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT - JULY TO DECEMBER 2024**RESOLUTION OM18/ 01/25**

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council receives and accepts the Library Services Report for July to December 2024 as presented.**CARRIED 6****12.3 DEVELOPMENT & LAND USE QUARTER 2 - 2024-2025 OVERVIEW REPORT****RESOLUTION OM19/ 01/25**

Moved: Cr James Coghlan

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council receives and accepts the Development and Land Use Quarter Two 2024-2025 Overview Report as presented.**CARRIED 6**

Mayor Cr Peta MacRae declared a perceived conflict of interest in relation to item 12.4 due to her position on the Zonta Board of Members. Mayor MacRae will be dealing with this declared conflict of interest by leaving the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on.

At 10:00am, Cr Peta MacRae left the meeting.

12.4 OUT OF ROUNDS SPONSORSHIP APPLICATION - ZONTA MOUNT ISA**RESOLUTION OM20/ 01/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council approves sponsorship to Zonta Mount Isa in the amount of \$5,000.00 for their 2025 International Women's Day event, to be held in March 2025, subject to the following conditions:

NUMBER	CONDITION	TIMING
<u>Pre-Event</u>		
1.	Provision of latest audited financials	<i>Within one (1) month of Council approval</i>
2.	Provision of the organisation's Incorporation Certificate	<i>Within one (1) month of Council approval</i>
3.	Provision of the organisation's Public Liability Certificate of Currency (\$20 million value is compulsory)	<i>Within one (1) month of Council approval</i>
4.	Site Plan setting out the existing infrastructure and the potential location of the event components	<i>Within one (1) month of Council approval</i>
5.	Permits or Landowner's permission e.g. venue hire permission, fireworks permits etc.	<i>Within one (1) month of Council approval</i>
6.	Provision of sponsorship prospectus.	<i>Within one (1) month of Council approval</i>

<u>Post Event</u>		
7.	Completion and submission of Council's Sponsorship Program Acquittal Report	<i>Submitted no later than six (6) weeks after the completion of the event</i>

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

Against: Nil

Absent: Crs Peta MacRae and John Doyle

CARRIED 5/0

At 10:05am, Cr Peta MacRae returned to the meeting.

12.5 RADF ROUND 2 2024-25

RESOLUTION OM21/ 01/25

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

THAT Council endorse the RADF Committee recommendation to **decline** the application from Malkarri Cultural Connections Limited for their project "Sundowners invited to perform – 2025 Australia Day Celebrations Sydney".

CARRIED 6

12.6 ENVIRONMENTAL GRANT PROGRAM 2024/2025 ROUND 1

RESOLUTION OM22/ 01/25

Moved: Cr James Coghlan

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council approves the following:

1. Council approves the Environmental Charge Project for the 2024/2025 Financial Year and the budget of \$50,000 to undertake the project.
2. The applicants receive the items specified in their applications, to the dollar values listed in the table below.

1. Happy Valley Community Kindergarten	\$ 1,390
2. Good Shepherd Catholic College	\$ 2,345
3. NWQICSS – Ngukuthati Children & Family Centre	\$ 3,105
4. Mount Isa School of Air	\$ 2,980
5. Sunset State School	\$ 2,940
6. Happy Valley State School	\$ 5,000
7. Barkly Highway State School Parents and Citizens Association	\$ 4,065

Total	\$ 21,825
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CARRIED 6

13 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORTS

13.1 MAJOR PROJECTS OVERVIEW REPORT - DECEMBER 2024

RESOLUTION OM23/ 01/25

Moved: Cr John Tully
 Seconded: Cr Dan Ballard

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

CARRIED 6

13.2 LIQUID WASTE FEES AND CHARGES

RESOLUTION OM24/ 01/25

Moved: Cr John Tully
 Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council alter the disposal fees for liquid waste (septic tanks) to 24 cents per litre, with a minimum charge of \$50.

CARRIED 6

14 GENERAL BUSINESS

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

15 CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS ITEMS

Item - 15.1 Asset Sale Agreement Isa Rodeo Limited – please note that this item was considered and voted on earlier in the meeting (see page 9)

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 10:25AM.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Council Meeting held on 26 February 2025.

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CHAIRPERSON