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Ordinary Council Meeting Wednesday, 22 May 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, 22 MAY 2024 AT 9:00AM

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Tim Rose (Acting 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 opened the meeting at 9.01am and provided an acknowledgement of country and advised the meeting is recorded.

2 PRAYER

Pastor George Otumuli from the Uniting Church provided the meeting with a prayer.

3 APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Nil

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

5.1 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 24 APRIL 2024

RESOLUTION OM01/05/24

Moved: Cr James Coghlan Seconded: Cr Dan Ballard

THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 24 April 2024 be confirmed as a true and correct

record.

CARRIED 7

6 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

6.1 OUTSTANDING ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS AS AT 17 MAY 2024.

RESOLUTION OM02/05/24

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council receives and notes the outstanding actions from previous Council Meetings as at 17 May 2024.

CARRIED 7

7 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Mayor MacRae declared a conflict of interest in relation to Item 14.8 due to the nature of this matter. The Mayor co-owns a local newsagency that will be a distributor for this free newspaper. The Mayor declared her intention to leave and stay away from the meeting while this matter is discussed, considered and voted on.

Cr John Tully informed the meeting of a declarable conflict of interest in relation to item 13.6 due to a prescribed conflict of interest which relates to a close associate. Cr Tully's son has quoted the works referenced in the Item. Cr Tully will leave the room while this matter is discussed, considered and voted on.

Cr Dan Ballard declared a conflict of interest in relation to item 13.10 due to the nature of this matter as he is the Vice President of the Mount Isa Race Club, which hosts the annual Mailman Express event. Cr Ballard declared his intention to leave and stay away from the meeting while this matter is discussed, considered and voted on.

The CEO, Tim Rose, declared a prescribed conflict of interest in relation to Item 16.6, as the matter relates to his employment contract. The CEO will leave the room while this matter is discussed, considered and voted on.

8 MAYORAL MINUTE

"May has been an extremely busy month in the North West. We have held a crime forum, attended NWQROC, NWMPX and had a Ministerial Advisory Committee on Mining. We have had the Qld Water Directorate visit, the MIRFAC funding has closed, and the CEO and I have been to Brisbane to meet with proponents of new projects for the city. It is a very exciting time.

The Councillors and I had the chance to tour the new nurses' quarters at the hospital and it is indeed something our town can be proud of. I am sure the upgraded staff quarters, along with the new development in Brilliant Street will help attract and retain quality staff in the healthcare sector. The purchase of The Club building by Qld Health will further add to and extend the services provided by NWHHS and improve the amenity of the CBD.

The CUC will be opening on the 1st of June in the Library. If you would like to be in the inaugural group of 2024, make sure you attend and register for the centre. You just need to be studying to register and we would love to hear from you. The new building on Miles Street is coming along nicely and should be ready mid-July.

The resumption of a local newspaper is welcome news for many in the community, and it has been confirmed that this will be going ahead with or without the support of Council. It is great news that the paper is a viable business and can be funded through advertising. Having local staff and partnerships will help keep the community informed about local events and showcase the great things that are happening in the area. I'd also like to welcome Matt (*Matt Nicholls*) here today.

It is that time of the year again when we start to look at the budget. The Councillors are well aware of the cost of living crisis and that people are doing it tough in the community. One thing that is highlighted each year is that our general rates are among the lowest in the state, however, our water is the highest, and this leaves MICC and our community at a distinct disadvantage. Through our local member, we were able to organise a meeting with Minister Butcher to start conversations to progress North West Water. Being contractually bound to pay \$1,000,000 every year to secure the rights to pump from Lake Julius if there is a drought is a quasi-tax on MICC ratepayers that goes to the government through Sun Water. The (*Mount Isa*) Water Board often gets a bad rap, but they have recently done some great work on minimising potential charges to Council, and it is getting

100% of the water dividend returned to MICC and the renegotiation of the Sun Water contract that will see value for our community.

I would like to thank everyone for taking the time to come to the crime forum. Some key themes emerged, and I now have a communications database to keep you informed about actions that are being taken to help with the issues addressed.

There is a general understanding that the breakdown of respect, the family and discipline is the root cause of most issues. This is teamed with domestic and family violence and a general feeling of loss of pride and hopelessness of some in the community. There are general environmental issues that can help with this such as beautifying Pioneer, increasing sport and engagement of youth in education and sporting activities and increasing lighting, CCTV surveillance etc.

There seems to not be a clear understanding of how NGO's work with different groups and it is felt that the work being conducted by Alan Baillie and funded by the state government will improve coordination, co-operation, accountability, and transparency. There is undoubtedly some good work being done, but sharing this information would improve confidence.

I would like to thank the attendees for their respectful contributions. Working together we can provide local solutions to local problems to help our local community.

On a brighter note, it is exciting to have the official opening of the new water slides on Saturday and I look forward to seeing you all there."

9 READING AND CONSIDERATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

10 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

11 EXECUTIVE SERVICES REPORTS

Nil

12 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

12.1 FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT - APRIL 2024

RESOLUTION OM03/05/24

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

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

CARRIED 6

12.2 FY2023/24 ESTIMATED FINANCIAL POSITION

RESOLUTION OM04/05/24

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council receives and accepts the 2023/24 Statements of Estimated Financial Position.

CARRIED 6

12.3 2024/25 REVENUE POLICY

RESOLUTION OM05/05/24

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council adopts the FY2024/25 Revenue Policy as presented.

CARRIED 6

12.4 WORKFORCE MANAGEMENT STRATEGIC PLAN FY2025-27

RESOLUTION OM06/05/24

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council adopts the draft Workforce Management Strategic Plan FY2025-27 as presented.

CARRIED 6

13 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORTS

13.1 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW REPORT - APRIL 2024

RESOLUTION OM07/05/24

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

THAT Council receives and accepts the April 2024 Economic Development Overview Report as

presented.

CARRIED 6

13.2 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW REPORT - APRIL 2024

RESOLUTION OM08/05/24

Moved: Cr James Coghlan Seconded: Cr Dan Ballard

THAT Council receives and accepts the April 2024 Community Development Overview Report as

presented.

CARRIED 6

At 9:17 am, Cr John Doyle joined the meeting.

13.3 SPLASHEZ OVERVIEW REPORT - APRIL 2024

RESOLUTION OM09/05/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council receives and accepts the April 2024 Splashez Overview Report as presented.

CARRIED 7

13.4 LOCAL LAWS OVERVIEW REPORT - MARCH 2024 - APRIL 2024

RESOLUTION OM10/05/24

Moved: Cr James Coghlan Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

THAT Council receives and accepts the Local Laws Overview Report for March 2024 to April 2024

as presented.

CARRIED 7

13.5 ENVIRONMENTAL AND BIOSECURITY OVERVIEW REPORT - MARCH 2024 AND APRIL 2024

RESOLUTION OM11/05/24

Moved: Cr James Coghlan Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council receives and accepts the March 2024 and April 2024 Environmental and Biosecurity

Overview Report as presented.

CARRIED 7

At 9:25 am, Cr John Tully left the meeting due to a conflict of interest in relation to item 13.6.

13.6 CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENT - ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROJECT

RESOLUTION OM12/05/24

Moved: Cr James Coghlan Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council approve an additional capital expenditure of \$60,000 for roof repairs to the Outback

at Isa facility.

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

Against: Cr Kim Coghlan

Absent: Cr John Tully

CARRIED 5/1

At 9:26 am, Cr John Tully returned to the meeting.

13.7 ENVIRONMENTAL GRANT PROGRAM POLICY AND GUIDELINES VERSION 3

RESOLUTION OM13/05/24

Moved: Cr James Coghlan Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

THAT Council adopt the updated Community Environmental Grant Program Policy and

Environmental Grant Program Guidelines Version 3 as presented.

CARRIED 7

At 9:28 am, Mayor Cr Peta MacRae left the meeting due to a conflict of interest in relation to item 13.8.

13.8 NORTH WEST WEEKLY PRINT NEWSPAPER PROPOSAL

RESOLUTION OM14/05/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council provides budget allocation of \$100k per annum for a three year term from date of first print for advertising through North West Weekly Pty Ltd (ABN50639161292). And authorises the CEO to negotiate and finalise the agreement.

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

John Tully

Against: Nil

Absent: Cr Peta MacRae

CARRIED 6/0

At 9:32 am, Mayor Cr Peta MacRae returned to the meeting.

13.9 2024 MOUNT ISA MINES RODEO - SPONSORSHIP PROPOSAL

MOTION

Moved: Cr John Doyle Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council Approves Sponsorship of \$40,000.00 (+ GST) cash to be a Platinum Partner, and up to \$92,000.00 (inc. GST) in-kind venue hire for the 2024 Mount Isa Mines Rodeo, to be held on 8-11 August 2024 at Buchanan Park Events Complex, subject to a special condition of payment of overdue balances prior to distribution of funds.

<u>In Favour:</u> Crs Peta MacRae and Travis Crowther

Against: Crs Dan Ballard, James Coghlan, Kim Coghlan, John Doyle and John Tully

LOST 2/5

An Alternative Motion was put and became the Motion as the original Motion was Lost.

The Alternative Motion removes the cash component of the sponsorship.

RESOLUTION OM15/05/24

Moved: Cr James Coghlan Seconded: Cr Dan Ballard

THAT Council Approves Sponsorship to be a Platinum Partner up to \$92,000.00 (inc. GST) in-kind venue hire for the 2024 Mount Isa Mines Rodeo, to be held on 8-11 August 2024 at Buchanan Park Events Complex, subject to a special condition of payment of overdue balances prior to distribution of funds.

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

John Tully

Against: Cr Kim Coghlan

CARRIED 6/1

At 9:39 am, Cr Dan Ballard left the meeting due to a conflict of interest in relation to item 13.10.

13.10 2024 MOUNT ISA MINES INDIGENOUS RODEO CHAMPIONSHIPS - PROPOSAL FOR SPONSORSHIP

RESOLUTION OM16/05/24

Moved: Cr John Doyle Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

THAT Council Approves Sponsorship of \$20,000.00 (+ GST) cash to be a Silver Partner of the 2024 Mount Isa Mines Indigenous Rodeo Championships, to be held on 8 August 2024 at Buchanan Park Events Complex, subject to a special condition of payment of overdue balances prior to distribution of funds.

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

Against: Crs James Coghlan, Kim Coghlan and Travis Crowther

Absent: Cr Dan Ballard

The MOTION was CARRIED on the Casting Vote of the Chairperson.

At 9:45 am, Cr Dan Ballard returned to the meeting.

13.11 MOUNT ISA AGRICULTURAL SHOW SOCIETY - REQUEST FOR IN-KIND SUPPORT FOR 2024 MOUNT ISA SHOW

RESOLUTION OM17/05/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council approves in-kind venue hire to the value of \$39,312.00 (Inc GST). to Mount Isa Agricultural Show Society for the 2024 Mount Isa Show to be held at Buchanan Park Complex on 21 and 22 June 2024.

AND

THAT Council approve a fee waiver for the ancillary products to the value of \$5,690.92 (Inc GST) to support successful delivery of the 2024 Mount Isa Show at Buchanan Park Complex on 21 and 22 June 2024.

CARRIED 7

13.12 REQUEST TO WAIVE WASTE DISPOSAL FEES - MOUNT ISA NETBALL ASSOCIATION

RESOLUTION OM18/05/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council approves Mount Isa Amateur Netball Association Inc. to receive a waste disposal fee waiver up to the value of \$9,306.00 (inc. GST) for their amenities replacement project.

CARRIED 7

13.13 MINE WORKERS MEMORIAL - CONCEPT PLAN

RESOLUTION OM19/05/24

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council receives and accepts:

- The Detailed Design Drawings and costings for the Mine Workers Memorial.
- Mount Isa CBD RV Parking Strategy.

AND approves the Frank Aston Hill as the preferred site location for the Mine Workers Memorial.

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

Against: Crs James Coghlan and Kim Coghlan

CARRIED 5/2

13.14 HEALY HEIGHTS COVENANT VARIATION - 66 WRIGHT ROAD, MOUNT ISA

RESOLUTION OM20/05/24

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council APPROVE the Healy Heights Variation Request to permit a Dual Occupancy to be constructed at 66 Wright Road, Mount Isa, described as Lot 82 on plan SP206675, and permit any driveways to differ from approved locations if required, subject to the following conditions.

| NUMBER | CONDITION | | | | |
|----------|---|--|--|--|--|
| PLANNING | | | | | |
| General | | | | | |
| 1. | The proposed Dual Occupancy is to comply with the requirements of the Healy Heights Covenant Stages 3-7 – Duplex and City of Mount Isa Planning Scheme 2020 | | | | |
| 2. | The Dual Occupancy is be designed in such a way that each unit faces a separate road frontage | | | | |
| 3. | Access for each unit of the Dual Occupancy must be obtained from separate road frontages | | | | |

Approval is based on the following grounds:

- This proposal only increases the dual occupancy lots within the estate by one.
- The allotment is a corner allotment and can accommodate separate frontages for each unit.
- The design of the dual occupancy is of a high quality.

<u>In Favour:</u> Crs Peta MacRae, Dan Ballard, Travis Crowther, John Doyle and John Tully

Against: Crs James Coghlan and Kim Coghlan

CARRIED 5/2

14 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORTS

14.1 MAJOR PROJECTS OVERVIEW REPORT - APRIL 2024

RESOLUTION OM21/05/24

Moved: Cr John Tully Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

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

CARRIED 7

14.2 PARKS REFURBISHMENT PROGRAM TENDER

RESOLUTION OM22/05/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council

- Accepts the Tender evaluation panel recommendation and award Contract 2023-70 to Mevway Pty Ltd for Stage 1 and Stage 2 for the total amount of \$1,640,758.90 (EX GST).
- Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, finalise and enter into contract substantively in the terms of the contract issued with the Tender.
- Endorse a total budget of \$1,969,900 for both 2023/24 and 2024/25 Financial Years, allowing for contingency in delivering the Park Refurbishment Program.

CARRIED 7

14.3 REPURPOSING OF 34 MILES STREET

MOTION

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther Seconded: Cr Dan Ballard

THAT Council

- Approve the repurposing of 34 Miles Street, Lot 21 & 7 Crown Plan M758251, for Electric Vehicle fast-charging station, public car park (tabled **Option 3**).
- Approve the asset disposal or demolition of the existing redundant toilet block and substation.
- Endorse the non-binding Letter of Intent to be issued to NRMA.
- Authorise the CEO to seek Ministerial Consent, from the Department of Resources, to permit the land to be used for commercial purpose as an EV fast-charging station.

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

<u>Against:</u> Crs James Coghlan, Kim Coghlan, John Doyle and John Tully

LOST 3/4

15 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 10.32am.

The Mayor reconvened the meeting at 10.57am.

16 CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS ITEMS

RESOLUTION OM23/05/24

Moved: Mayor 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:

16.1 Budget Review as at 30 April 2024

This matter is considered to be confidential under S254J - (c) 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 the local government's budget.

16.2 Notice of Intention to Sell Land for Overdue Rates and Charges - Assessment 10033496

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - (d) 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.

16.3 Rates and Charges Concession for the Society for the Mount Isa Memorial Garden Settlement for the Aged

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - (d) 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.

16.4 RFT 2023 - 61 Cleaning Contract Mount Isa City Council

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - (c) 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 the local government's budget.

16.5 2023 DRFA Restoration Works - Package 6

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.

16.6 Appointment of Chief Executive Officer

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - (a) 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 the appointment, discipline or dismissal of the chief executive officer.

CARRIED 7

RESOLUTION OM24/05/24

Moved: Mayor Cr Peta MacRae

Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

THAT Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

CARRIED 7

16.1 BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 30 APRIL 2024

RESOLUTION OM25/05/24

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council adopts the revised FY2023/24 budget as presented in the April 2024 Budget Review.

CARRIED 7

16.2 NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SELL LAND FOR OVERDUE RATES AND CHARGES - ASSESSMENT 10033496

RESOLUTION OM26/05/24

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council resolves to decline to grant a concession to the applicant under section 121(b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* by way of an agreement to defer payment of rates and charges levied Assessment 10033496.

CARRIED 7

16.3 RATES AND CHARGES CONCESSION FOR THE SOCIETY FOR THE MOUNT ISA MEMORIAL GARDEN SETTLEMENT FOR THE AGED

RESOLUTION OM27/05/24

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

That Council approve the following concession for rates and charges under *Sections 119, 120(1)(d), 121(a) and 122(1)(a) of The Local Government Regulation 2012,* for The Laura Johnson Home for The Aged commercial property assessment 10016756:

- The 1.5m3 Commercial Garbage Service Charge rates are charged in lieu of the 3.0m3 Commercial Garbage Service Charge rates for the next two (2) years (2024/25 to 2025/26), and
- 2. 16 of the 240L Bins are charged at the Residential Garbage Service Rate without the waste service charge for the next two (2) years (2024/25 to 2025/26), and
- 3. That Council approve a 50% concession on the water meter access charge for the next two (2) years (2024/25 to 2025/26), and
- 4. That Council approve a 50% concession on the Sewerage Charges for the facility for the next two (2) years (2024/25 to 2025/26).

CARRIED 7

16.4 RFT 2023 - 61 CLEANING CONTRACT MOUNT ISA CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION OM28/05/24

Moved: Cr John Tully Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

THAT Council award the RFT 2023 – 61 'MICC Cleaning Contract' to Just Focus Pty Ltd for a three-year period, to the value of \$420,159.55 (excl. gst) per year and authorise the CEO to negotiate and finalise the terms of the contract, to commence no later than 1 July 2024.

CARRIED 7

16.5 2023 DRFA RESTORATION WORKS - PACKAGE 6

RESOLUTION OM29/05/24

Moved: Cr James Coghlan Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council

1. Authorise the CEO to negotiate with Gulf Civil Pty Ltd under contract number 2023-46 for the value of \$635,595.27 ex GST plus allowance for 15% contingency as needed.

2. Allocate additional 23/24 Financial Year budget for Lake Julius Road Restoration projects accordingly, noting works are fully funded by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA).

CARRIED 7

CHAIRPERSON

The CEO, Tim Rose, left the meeting at 11.35am

16.6 APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

| RESOLUTION OM30/ 05/24 |
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| Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan Seconded: Cr John Tully |
| THAT Council appoint Tim Rose as Chief Executive Officer for the period 23 May 2024 – 31 December 2025. |
| CARRIED 7 |
| There being no further business the Meeting closed at 11.36am. |
| The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Council Meeting held on 26 June 2024. |
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