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**Ordinary Council Meeting
Wednesday, 24 April 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, 24 APRIL 2024 AT 9:00AM**

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

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

1 OPENING OF THE MEETING/ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Mayor MacRae opened the meeting at 9.00am and provided a welcome to Country.

2 PRAYER

Father Mick Lowcock provided the meeting with a prayer.

3 APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

5.1 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 28 FEBRUARY 2024

RESOLUTION OM06/ 04/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 28 February 2024 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED 7

5.2 MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON 5 APRIL 2024

RESOLUTION OM07/ 04/24

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr Dan Ballard

THAT the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 5 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 19 APRIL 2024.****RESOLUTION OM08/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr John Tully
Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

THAT Council receives and notes the outstanding actions from previous Council Meetings as at 19 April 2024.

CARRIED 7

7 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

8 MAYORAL MINUTE

Firstly, I would like to express my deep appreciation to the community for electing me to be your Mayor. Let it be known that I am extremely happy with the councillors that have been elected, and although we will face challenges over this term due to the macroeconomic environment. It has been demonstrated already that you are dedicated to your new positions, and your core priority is creating the best outcomes for the community.

Yesterday I was given the opportunity to speak at the Ministerial Advisory Committee and I will share this information as I feel it speaks to the immediate direction of Council and indicates some of our key priorities. I make note that although not included in my speech yesterday, councillors appreciate the work of MICC staff. We have a great team as our strategy cannot be implemented without their hard work and commitment.

As the newly elected Mayor of Mount Isa, I must acknowledge that it is an exciting and challenging time. The new Council and I see the enormous task ahead of us, though also believe that we are standing at an intersection of Mount Isa's history.

Mount Isa has long been an economic powerhouse of the Queensland economy, and we understand the vested interests of government and industry in ensuring a sustainable and stable population in the North West, from an economic and strategic perspective.

We acknowledge that mining is as much our future as it has been our past, but what this looks like remains uncertain. What we remain adamant about is that whatever happens in our city, we want it to benefit the whole community and leave the legacy of increased population, services and infrastructure.

Upon learning that Logan receives fifty-thousand extra people a year in their LGA, we are convinced that the state and federal governments need to use whatever levers they have available to encourage immigrants and all new residents to come to regional and remote areas. We need the population, and the southeast corner has congested roads and services. Tax incentives, HECS honeymoons and a restructuring of the first homeowners scheme are all required.

We want our people to have training opportunities to enable them to work in the new economy and be part of our prosperous future.

We want transport networks that enable industry to be competitive, reliable power and water security AND we want our share of the royalties that have come from this region to make this possible.

While we understand the economic cliff we are facing if no intervention occurs, we as leaders need to instill confidence in our community as there are many well paid positions that must be filled if we are to bridge this transition successfully.

We are indeed the city of opportunity and will continue to be so. Where else can a young person purchase a property between 300-400k, work in a mine and return home each night. We need to be better at selling our story and the many opportunities that are available here.

What we would like to see is strong investment in rail and a pricing restructure. Rail makes the roads safer and is the key to attracting industry to our region. It is a false economy to save on rail – only to have it spent resealing roads. I urge decision makers to consider the royalties achievable if projects go ahead, due to investment in adequate transport infrastructure’.

We are very excited by the work conducted by the Sustainable Minerals Institute at UQ and the research they have done into extracting multiple minerals from the same materials using modular processing units. This group has members dedicated to not only cutting-edge technology, but also community transformation, communication, training and they have strong ESG frameworks in place. Mount Isa becoming a destination for a world leading critical minerals hub is not only possible, but it is essential. An announcement of this type would create confidence and help retain our current skilled workforce.

By fostering a conducive environment for entrepreneurship and industry, we can unlock new avenues of growth and prosperity. We are hopeful that business takes up the opportunity to access the economic structural adjustment of the North West funding being distributed by Department of State Development and that the projects selected provide the best return on investment in terms of job numbers and social benefits.

Queensland is facing a crime crisis. Our new council will be advocating to have a locally based training and rehabilitation centre. Keeping our people on country and connected to community will have far better outcomes in terms of reintegration and recidivism. Increased medical services, visitor nights and other services will all result with an estimated employee ratio of one job per three clients.

In conclusion, the challenges facing Mount Isa are formidable, but not insurmountable. Through strategic collaboration, unwavering commitment, and a steadfast dedication to sustainability, we can overcome these obstacles and usher in a new era of prosperity for generations to come.

9 READING AND CONSIDERATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

10 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

11 EXECUTIVE SERVICES REPORTS

11.1 APPOINTMENT OF AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE MEMBERS

RESOLUTION OM09/ 04/24

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council appoint Cr Dan Ballard and Cr James Coghlan as members of the Audit and Risk Committee.

CARRIED 7

11.2 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLORS TO INTERNAL COMMITTEES AND ADVISORY

COMMITTEES**RESOLUTION OM10/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT

1. Council appoints Cr Kim Coghlan and Cr John Tully to the Lake Moondarra Advisory Committee.
2. Council appoints Cr James Coghlan and Cr Dan Ballard to the Mine Workers Memorial Advisory Committee.
3. Council appoints Cr Travis Crowther and Cr John Doyle to the North West Motorsport Advisory Committee.
4. Council appoints Mayor MacRae and Cr Travis Crowther to the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Committee.

CARRIED 7**11.3 APPOINTMENT OF MICCOE BOARD MEMBERS****RESOLUTION OM11/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council

1. adopt the updated MICCOE Charter V2, and
2. appoint the following Councillors as Mount Isa City Council Owned Enterprises (MICCOE) Board Members:
 - Mayor MacRae
 - Cr Travis Crowther
 - Cr John Tully, and
3. appoint Cr Travis Crowther as the interim Board Chairperson.

CARRIED 7**11.4 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLORS TO EXTERNAL COMMITTEES****RESOLUTION OM12/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

THAT

1. Council appoints Mayor MacRae to the Australian Mining Cities Alliance Board of Directors.
2. Council appoints Cr Kim Coghlan to the Lead Alliance Committee.
3. Council nominates Cr John Tully to the Mount Isa Water Board, board of directors.
4. Council appoints Cr John Doyle and Cr John Tully as delegates for the North Queensland Sports Foundation.
5. Council appoints Cr John Doyle to the Riversleigh World Heritage Advisory Committee.

CARRIED 7**11.5 COUNCILLOR CODE OF CONDUCT UPDATE****RESOLUTION OM13/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr Dan Ballard

THAT Council receives and notes the changes to the Councillor Code of Conduct.**CARRIED 7****11.6 UPDATE TO COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIOS****RESOLUTION OM14/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council allocate the Waste Management portfolio area to Cr James Coghlan and the Councillor Portfolio policy be updated accordingly.**CARRIED 7****11.7 PROPOSED UPDATE TO THE COUNCILLOR ACCEPTABLE REQUEST GUIDELINES****RESOLUTION OM15/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council accept the proposed changes to the Councillor Acceptable Request Guidelines in Version 7 of the document.**CARRIED 7****11.8 MEDIA POLICY V6**

RESOLUTION OM16/ 04/24

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther
Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

THAT Council adopt the Media Policy V6

CARRIED 7

11.9 2023-2024 ANNUAL OPERATIONAL PLAN - THIRD QUARTER UPDATE**RESOLUTION OM17/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

THAT Council receive and accept the 2023-2024 Annual Operational Plan – Third Quarter Update report.

CARRIED 7

12 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS**12.1 FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT - FEBRUARY 2024****RESOLUTION OM18/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
Seconded: Cr John Tully

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

CARRIED 7

12.2 FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT - MARCH 2024**RESOLUTION OM19/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

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

CARRIED 7

12.3 UPDATED RATES AND CHARGES DEBT RECOVERY POLICY V6**RESOLUTION OM20/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council approve and adopt the updated Rates and Charges Debt Recovery Policy V6 effective 28 February 2024.

CARRIED 7

12.4 CORPORATE SERVICES OVERVIEW REPORT - FEBRUARY 2024 AND MARCH 2024**RESOLUTION OM21/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
 Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council receives and accepts the February 2024 and March 2024 Corporate Services Overview Report as presented.

CARRIED 7

13 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORTS**13.1 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW REPORT - FEBRUARY-MARCH 2024****RESOLUTION OM22/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther
 Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council receives and accepts the February – March 2024 Economic Development Overview Report as presented.

CARRIED 7

13.2 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW REPORT - FEBRUARY - MARCH 2024**RESOLUTION OM23/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther
 Seconded: Cr John Doyle

THAT Council receives and accepts the February-March 2024 Community Development Overview Report as presented.

CARRIED 7

13.3 COMMUNITY GRANTS ROUND 2 2023-2024**RESOLUTION OM24/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr John Doyle
 Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council Award Round 2 Community Grants and Sponsorship 2023/24 funding to the following organisations.

Community Grants	Project /Event	Amount
Mount Isa Pistol Club Inc	Purchase LabRadar	\$ 1,360.00

QCWA North Western Division on behalf of QCWA Mount Isa Copper City Branch	Installation of Security Screens on QCWA Hall	\$ 3,323.00
Arts on Alma Inc.	Replace Security System	\$ 1,411.00
Mount Isa Amateur Netball Assoc.	Purchase Defibrillator	\$ 2,605.00 **
Parkside United Junior Football Club	Upgrade Soccer Goals	\$ 5,000.00
PCYC Mount Isa	Braking the Cycle Program	\$ 5,000.00 **
	TOTAL	\$ 18,699.00
Sponsorship	Project /Event	Amount
Good Shepherd Catholic Parish	2024 Multicultural Festival	\$ 6,470.95 **
Mount Isa Apex Club	2024 Apex Rock Pop Mime Show	\$ 8,000.00
Mount Isa Campdraft Assoc. Inc.	2024 Mount Isa Campdraft	\$ 11,710.00 **
Mount Isa Motorsports & Recreation Inc.	2024 Mount Isa Motor Show	\$ 3,300.00
Royal Flying Doctor Service (Qld Section)	2024 RFDS Mount Isa Hanger Ball	\$ 10,000.00 **
The Drivers Camp Assoc. Inc.	2024 Drivers Festival	\$ 10,000.00 **
Commerce North West	2024 North West MPX	\$ 15,000.00 **
	TOTAL	\$ 64,480.95

**** Amounts listed are plus GST.**

CARRIED 7

13.4 LIBRARY OVERVIEW REPORT - FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2024

RESOLUTION OM25/ 04/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan
 Seconded: Cr Dan Ballard

THAT Council receives and accepts the February and March 2024 Library Overview Report as presented.

CARRIED 7

13.5 SPLASHEZ OVERVIEW REPORT - FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2024

RESOLUTION OM26/ 04/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan
 Seconded: Cr John Tully

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

CARRIED 7

13.6 SPLASHEZ - AQUA TOWER FEES

RESOLUTION OM27/ 04/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council confirm the fee structure associated with the operations of the Aqua Tower located at the Splashez Aquatic centre.

Option 1 – No additional charges are applied.

CARRIED 7

13.7 APPROVAL FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CHARGE PROJECT 23/24

RESOLUTION OM28/ 04/24

Moved: Cr James Coghlan

Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

THAT Council approves the pending Environmental Charge Project for the 2023/2024 Financial Year and the budget of \$50,000 to undertake the project.

CARRIED 7

13.8 DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE OVERVIEW REPORT - QUARTER 3

RESOLUTION OM29/ 04/24

Moved: Cr James Coghlan

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council receives and notes the Development and Land Use Overview Report - Quarter 3.

CARRIED 7

14 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORTS

14.1 OUTBACK AT ISA - CARRY OVER REQUEST

RESOLUTION OM30/ 04/24

Moved: Cr John Tully

Seconded: Cr John Doyle

THAT Council approve Phase 2 of the Outback at Isa Visitor Centre Refurbishment Design Project, allocating \$192,645.60 (ex. GST) to the 23/24 Capital Works program.

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

Against: Cr Kim Coghlan

CARRIED 6/1

14.2 TELSTRA HILL RESEAL AND CARPARK STAGE 1 (RFT2023-29)

RESOLUTION OM31/ 04/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan
Seconded: Cr Dan Ballard

THAT Council award the Telstra Hill Stage 1 RFT2023-029 contract to Oaka Constructions Pty Ltd for the value of \$362,328.06 (Ex GST) and delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, finalise and enter into the contract.

AND approves the additional \$114,156.06 (ex GST) required in the 23/24 budget to deliver the project.

CARRIED 7

15 GENERAL BUSINESS

The Mayor advised that, in the short term, General Business will be utilised for Councillors to provide advice on their 'big picture items', events of interest and relevant updates.

Each Councillor provided a short update.

Meeting adjourned at 10.00am.

Meeting reconvened at 10:10am.

16 CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS ITEMS

RESOLUTION OM32/ 04/24

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 Audit and Risk Management Committee Meeting Minutes dated 21 February 2024 - Unconfirmed

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - (c) and (f) 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 and matters that may directly affect the health and safety of an individual or a group or individuals.

16.2 Variations to 2022 & 2023 DRFA Restoration Works

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 7

RESOLUTION OM33/ 04/24

Moved: Mayor Cr Peta MacRae
Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

THAT Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

CARRIED 7

16.1 AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES DATED 21 FEBRUARY 2024 - UNCONFIRMED**RESOLUTION OM34/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr Dan Ballard

THAT Council receives and accepts the unconfirmed Audit and Risk Management Committee Meeting Minutes dated 21 February 2024 as presented.**CARRIED 7**

16.2 VARIATIONS TO 2022 & 2023 DRFA RESTORATION WORKS**RESOLUTION OM35/ 04/24**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council

1. Authorise the CEO to negotiate with Brindell Pty Ltd T/A Remploy, for the Yelvertoft Barkly Downs Road scope variation under current Contract No. 2023-42 2023 DRFA Restoration Works Package 2 and award a contract variation up to a value of \$ 900,000 (excl. GST) under the provisions of section 235(a) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.
2. Authorise the CEO to negotiate with Commins Contracting Pty Ltd, for the Bortala Road scope variation under current Contract No. 2022-126 2022 DRFA Restoration Works Package 2 and award a contract variation to the value of \$ 450,000 (excl. GST) under the provisions of section 235(a) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.
3. Allocate additional 23/24 Financial Year budget for Yelvertoft Barkly Downs and Bortala Road Restoration projects accordingly, noting works are fully funded by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA).

CARRIED 7

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 10.19am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Council Meeting held on 22 May 2024.

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MAYOR MACRAE