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**Ordinary Council Meeting
Wednesday, 28 August 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, 28 AUGUST 2024 AT 9:00 AM**

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

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

1 OPENING OF THE MEETING/ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Mayor MacRae opened the meeting at 9.04am.

2 PRAYER

Cr J Coghlan provided the meeting with a prayer.

3 APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

APOLOGY

RESOLUTION OM01/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae

Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

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

CARRIED 6

4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Peter Bolger thanked Council for the reseal and line marking works undertaken on West Street.

Peter Bolger asked if Council will resume printing of the Mount Isa Mail Newsletter. Mayor MacRae responded, advising the fortnightly Newsletter is now published in the North West Weekly Newspaper instead, at a reduced cost to Council.

Peter Bolger expressed his dismay for the mess left in the riverbed in Alma Street, that Council should approach youth community services to fix, as the cost of this clean up should not be at the expense of ratepayers. Mayor MacRae advised that, through Council working with the State, community service is now being offered through the courts to clean up areas. This has been undertaken at the Old Cemetery and Burke Street so far, with evidence provided to Council by Corrective Services. It is hoped that this program will extend to other areas.

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

5.1 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 24 JULY 2024

RESOLUTION OM02/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 24 July 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 AUGUST 2024

RESOLUTION OM03/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther
Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

THAT Council receives and notes the outstanding actions from previous Council Meetings as at 23 August 2024.

CARRIED 6

7 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil.

8 MAYORAL MINUTE

Cr John Tully could not be with us today, as Deputy Chair of our local disaster management committee, he is taking part in a three-day training exercise with all relevant departments. After last disaster season, the review by the Inspector General of Emergency Management highlighted the need for a cross boarder coordinated approach and this prompted the review of procedures, documents and training. It was a recommendation that all DDMG's that share a border with other states or territories conduct collaborative disaster management planning and exercising. As chair, I have also been involved in this exercise, between other essential activities of Council, such as this ordinary meeting.

Last week the CEO and I attended the MITEZ meeting in Charters Towers. From a Council perspective it was interesting to see what other councils along the corridor were advocating for. It is becoming increasingly clear that the smaller Councils are struggling with forward planning for the economic boom that is going to be delivered by having the extra jobs in town created by the build for Copperstring – where populations could essentially double, while we are in the trenches fighting for funding to keep the jobs we currently have.

You will note in the paper today has run the story about the delay in the announcement of the \$20M MRFAC funding. While that funding was celebrated upon announcement, it has become clear through our economic development plan that it is not going to be nearly enough, and with the hold up of the announcement has meant a hold up with projects. Projects that may have already been started are on hold so as to remain eligible for funding, thus the whole economy is at a standstill. What we need from the state government, despite not being in a marginal seat, is support like that received by Rio Tinto – to keep 1,000 jobs in Gladstone. Tax dollars used to strike a deal that is commercial in confidence, though has been confirmed to be well in excess of \$300M. It makes our community feel very undervalued when \$20M is allocated to help with the loss of 1,200 jobs. Let me reiterate. The support to Rio for a job in Gladstone is well north of \$300k per job and Mount Isa jobs are worth \$16,666. Thankyou Mount Isa for your 100 years of service to the Qld Economy.

The Bush Summit highlighted the importance of bush for both levels of government. The North West Minerals Province is touted as being the key to decarbonisation and will continue to be seen as a cash cow by both levels of government. Currently the Federal Government makes \$800M per year from the Mount Isa area – and the Mount Isa Transformation and Investment program we will hopefully endorse today outlines how returning 2.5 years' worth of that revenue could secure that continued flow of federal income for the next 100 years. Mount Isa City Council has been proactive in investing in this research and strategy, to make this as easy as possible for government to understand and fund. Investment is required by both government and industry and if even 25% of the primary projects identified come to fruition, Mount Isa has a bright and dynamic future. I would like to congratulate everyone involved in putting together this piece of work.

9 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

10 EXECUTIVE SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 PROPOSED DATE CHANGE FOR OCTOBER ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION OM04/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council approve the rescheduling of the Ordinary Council Meeting from Wednesday 23 October 2024, to Friday 18 October 2024.

The meeting time and place will remain unchanged, commencing at 9.00am in the Council Chambers, 23 West Street, Mount Isa.

CARRIED 6

10.2 MOUNT ISA ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION AND TRANSFORMATION STRATEGY

RESOLUTION OM05/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther
Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

THAT Council adopt the Mount Isa Economic Diversification and Transformation Strategy.

CARRIED 6

11 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

11.1 CORPORATE SERVICES OVERVIEW REPORT - JUNE 2024 AND JULY 2024

RESOLUTION OM06/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council receives and accepts the June 2024 and July 2024 Corporate Services Overview Report as presented.

CARRIED 6

11.2 FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT - JULY 2024

RESOLUTION OM07/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

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

CARRIED 6

11.3 MICCOE FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT - JULY 2024

RESOLUTION OM08/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

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

CARRIED 6

11.4 APPROVAL TO EXTEND RESIDENTIAL TIP TOKENS FOR 2024/25 FINANCIAL PERIOD

RESOLUTION OM09/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

THAT Council approves an extension to the issuing of six (6) x Residential Tip Tokens per residential property only, in Mount Isa and Camooweal for the 2024/2025 Financial Period (Commencing 01-09-24 to 30-06-25);

And

THAT Council re-assesses the issuing, feasibility and budgets for the issuing of Residential Tip Tokens during the 2024-2025 financial period, prior to the adoption of the 2025-2026 budget.

CARRIED 6

11.5 MICC DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS UNITS - FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT AS OF 31 JULY 2024

RESOLUTION OM10/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

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

CARRIED 6

12 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORTS

12.1 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW REPORT - JULY 2024

RESOLUTION OM11/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

THAT Council receives and accepts the July 2024 Economic Development Overview Report as presented.

CARRIED 6

12.2 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW REPORT - JULY 2024

RESOLUTION OM12/ 08/24

Moved: Cr John Doyle

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council receives and accepts the July 2024 Community Development Overview Report as presented.

CARRIED 6

12.3 PCYC REQUEST TO VARY SCOPE OF APPROVED FUNDING

RESOLUTION OM13/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr Dan Ballard

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

Against: Crs James Coghlan and John Doyle

Absent: Cr John Tully

THAT Council approve PCYC Mount Isa to change the scope of the approved Round 2, 2023-24 Community Grants funding, from their project "Braking the Cycle Program" to support "Chillin in the Park Program".

CARRIED 4/2

12.4 RADF 2023/2024 ROUND 3 AND COUNCIL INITIATED PROJECT

RESOLUTION OM14/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

THAT Council endorses the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) committee's recommendation to **decline** the 2023-24 Round 3 application for funding from Rodney Hammond for his project "Silversmithing Workshop for Community and Culture" to the value of \$8,594.00

AND

THAT Council endorse the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) committee's recommendation to allocate up to \$10,000.00 of RADF funds from the 2023-24 budget, to install bin skin artwork on the remaining 10 stainless steel rubbish bins in the CBD area, with messaging to be determined through internal consultation and approved by the CEO, as a Council initiated project.

CARRIED 6

12.5 NORTH QUEENSLAND SPORTS FOUNDATION 2024 NORTH QUEENSLAND SPORTSTAR AWARDS - COUNCILLOR DELEGATION

RESOLUTION OM15/ 08/24

Moved: Cr John Doyle

Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

THAT Council approves for the North Qld Sports Foundation delegates, Cr John Tully and Cr John Doyle, to assess the local nominations for the 2024 North Queensland Sportstar Awards and select the relevant nominees per category, as Council's submission to The North Queensland Sports Foundation.

AND

THAT Council delegates the CEO to negotiate and approve financial assistance to local nominees who attend the Sportstar Awards.

CARRIED 6

At 9:40 am, Cr John Doyle left the meeting.

12.6 LIBRARY OVERVIEW REPORT - JUNE AND JULY 2024

RESOLUTION OM16/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council receives and accepts the June and July 2024 Library Overview Report as presented.

CARRIED 5

12.7 FAST TRACK PLUMBING APPLICATION EXEMPTION

RESOLUTION OM17/ 08/24

Moved: Cr James Coghlan

Seconded: Cr Dan Ballard

THAT Council resolve to:

1. Prepare a Fast-track Opt-Out Declaration in accordance with Section 40(1) of the *Plumbing and Drainage Regulation 2019*; and

2. Publish the declaration on Council website.

CARRIED 5

At 9:42 am, Cr John Doyle returned to the meeting.

13 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORTS

13.1 MAJOR PROJECTS OVERVIEW REPORT - JULY 2024

RESOLUTION OM18/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

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

CARRIED 6

13.2 PRINCIPAL CYCLE NETWORK PLAN PROJECTS

RESOLUTION OM19/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council:

1. Approves the adoption of the proposed 3,390 metre-long shared pathway in Soldiers Hill, from Milne bay Road to Alma Street, along Urquhart Street and Tharrapatha Way; and from the Barkly Highway along Sulphide and Alma Streets to Camooweal Street.
2. Approves the change of scope of the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme to reallocate the 2024-25 financial year funding for Gunpowder Road, Lake Julius Road, and Old May Downs Road (totalling \$283,000 inclusive of new allocation increase) for the purposes of widening culverts along the Tharrapatha Way and bringing forward the program of culvert replacement to prepare for the Soldiers Hill shared path to be delivered in the 2025-26 financial year.
3. Approves the proposed construction of 760 metres of shared pathway in Fourth Avenue Stage 1 (priority route A) from Twenty Third Avenue to Eleventh Avenue.
4. Approves the application for funding to carry out an option analysis and detailed design of a shared pathway from Fourth Avenue bridge to the Isa Street bridge and from Tharrapatha Way to Camooweal Street.
5. Approves the proposed application for funding for the construction of 850 metres of shared pathway in Fourth Avenue, from Eleventh Avenue to the Fourth Avenue bridge.

6. Approves of the application for funding of an options analysis 1,235 metre shared path from the Isa Street Bridge along the Leichardt River to Alma Street and/or on-road cycle lane along West Street from Isa Street to Alma Street.
7. Approves the application for funding of an options analysis of the inner CBD loop (West St, Marian St, East St, Pamela St, Isa St) forming the central shared path connecting to shops and places of work.

CARRIED 6

13.3 WATER & SEWER OVERVIEW REPORT JUNE AND JULY 2024

RESOLUTION OM20/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr Dan Ballard

THAT Council receives and accepts the Water and Sewer Overview Report for June and July 2024.

CARRIED 6

13.4 WATER & SEWER-10 YEAR PIPE CAPITAL RENEWALS PROGRAMME PART 1A

RESOLUTION OM21/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

THAT Council adopt the 10-year Asset Renewals Program Part 1A, commencing 1 July 2025 for water main renewals: and

THAT Council endorses the development of further 10-year Asset Renewals Programs for:

- Part 1B Sewer Mains Refurbishment
- Water Valve and Hydrant Replacements
- Sewage Pump Station Refurbishment
- Sewage Treatment Plant Refurbishment

CARRIED 6

14 GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Ballard, Cr Doyle, Cr J Coghlan and Cr K Coghlan provided an update on recent activities.

15 CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS ITEMS

RESOLUTION OM22/ 08/24

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 at 10.04am:

15.1 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.

15.2 RSM Australia and Queensland Audit Office (QAO) - Interim Audit Report FY23-24

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - (j) 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 an investigation report given to the local government under chapter 5A, part 3, division 5 of the Act.

CARRIED 6

RESOLUTION OM23/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae
 Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

THAT Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council at 10.26am.

CARRIED 6

15.1 NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SELL LAND FOR OVERDUE RATES AND CHARGES

RESOLUTION OM24/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther
 Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

THAT Council resolves to:

- (a)** Sell the land in the below Schedule pursuant to section 140(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*; and
- (b)** Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer its power to:
 - a. give a Notice of Intention to Sell the land to all interested parties under section 140(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*; and
 - b. 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
10004125	21103759	LOT 22 ON CP M758196
10008001	21107552	LOT 60 ON CP M758141
10023075	21121124	LOT 68 ON CP M758147
10036341	21133434	LOT 2 ON CP MPH8021
10060499	21154273	LOT 9 ON CP MP 21970
10070936	21164116	LOT 62 ON CP MPH40066

10001527	21101274	LOT 2 ON CP MPH30266
10023877	21121926	LOT 2 ON CP M758146
10038081	21135066	LOT 70 ON CP MPH14004
10053403	21148614	LOT 16 ON CP MPH40024
10002061	21101787	LOT 30 ON CP MPH22045
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
10038107	21135082	LOT 68 ON CP MPH14004
10044360	21141056	LOT 10 ON CP M758107
10045888	21142476	LOT 5-6 ON CP MPH7938
10056414	21151154	LOT 12 ON CP MPH14008
10071900	21164942	LOT 32 ON RP907591

CARRIED 6

15.2 RSM AUSTRALIA AND QUEENSLAND AUDIT OFFICE (QAO) - INTERIM AUDIT REPORT FY23-24

RESOLUTION OM25/ 08/24

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard
 Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

THAT Council receives and notes the Interim Audit Report for FY23-24 submitted by RSM Australia and Queensland Audit Office (QAO) dated 14 June 2024 as presented.

CARRIED 6

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 10.27am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Council Meeting held on 25 September 2024.

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CHAIRPERSON