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Thursday, 3 July 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 THURSDAY, 3 JULY 2025 AT 9:30 AM**

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

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Tim Rose (CEO), Andrew Hobbs (Director, Infrastructure Services), Kelvin Tytherleigh (Director, Corporate Services), Brian Atherinos (Manager, Economic & Community Development)

**1 OPENING OF THE MEETING/ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

Mayor MacRae opened the meeting at 9.30am and provided an Acknowledgement of Country.

**2 PRAYER**

Pastor Lauri Iso-Aho from Lutheran Church provided the meeting with a prayer.

**3 APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

**4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

During the month of May, Mount Isa City Council staff raised \$378.05 for the charity 'The Kids' Cancer Project – Pirate Day' through the Casual for a Cause initiative. The Kids' Cancer Project funds vital scientific research to develop better treatments for all children with cancer. Staff took part in their signature event 'Pirate Day', an annual dress up day during brain cancer awareness month each May raising funds for childhood brain cancer research.

**5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

**5.1 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 28 MAY 2025**

**RESOLUTION OM01/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

**THAT** the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 28 May 2025 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

**CARRIED 7**

**5.2 MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON 18 JUNE 2025**

**RESOLUTION OM02/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr John Tully

Seconded: Cr Dan Ballard

**THAT** the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 18 June 2025 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 23 MAY 2025**

#### **RESOLUTION OM03/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

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

**CARRIED 7**

## **7 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

The CEO declared an interest in item 15.3 as it deals with the employment of the CEO. The CEO will leave the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on.

## **8 MAYORAL MINUTE**

Mayor MacRae delivered the following Mayoral Minute:

“Last week the CEO and I were in Canberra at the General Assembly. We started the week with our cross border delegates from the Northern Territory with a visit to Russel Offices to visit Major General Walk to discuss the strategic benefits of the Tennant Creek to Mount Isa Rail Line. More than 1,300 local government leaders from across Australia gathered in Canberra from 24-27 June for the 31st National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA).

Her Excellency the Honourable Ms Sam Mostyn AC, Governor-General of Australia, formally opened the Assembly and spoke about the role of community leadership and local engagement in building national resilience and unity, including the importance of teaching our younger generation the importance of civic governance and getting involved in your community and volunteering.

We heard from a range of Federal Ministers across the Assembly including: The Honourable Kristy McBain MP, Senator the Hon Katy Gallagher, The Honourable Julian Hill MP, The Honourable Josh Wilson MP, The Honourable Darren Chester MP, Dr Anne Webster MP and the Honourable Kevin Hogan MP.

There was broad acknowledgement from Ministers that councils play a critical role in supporting their communities and that the role has expanded significantly, as has the financial pressures that councils face. This is why local government is calling for urgent action to ensure the financial sustainability of councils.

Delegates heard from Mark Bouris AM and Dr Merriden Varrall who unpacked global economic forces shaping Australia’s local economies, including trends in trade, security, and investment.

Jason Clarke, world leading consultant on issues of leadership and innovation, closed Day 1 of the NGA with an energising and practical presentation on how councils can take bold ideas and translate them into tangible, community-focused change.

Day 2 of the NGA featured the launch of ALGA's exciting new research "Adapting Together: Local Government Leadership in a Changing Climate". The report finds that Australia's councils are expected to spend more than \$2 billion over the next five years to future-proof their communities from the changing climate, resulting in up to \$4.7 billion in avoided costs to communities.

ALGA President Mayor Matt Burnett noted "*Climate-resilient infrastructure is expensive and takes time to build, so we need sustainable funding from the Federal Government to implement long-term planning and adaptation now and into the future*". That is why "*We are asking the Government for a new \$400 million climate adaptation fund, distributed to all Australia's councils each year, to deliver ongoing and sustainable place-based climate solutions*"

Councils considered the way AI is shaping the future with presentations from Stephen Scheeler, founder of The Digital CEO and co-founder and CEO of Omniscient, and Tim Golsby-Smith, cofounder and CEO of myLot. There was also a presentation on Snap Send Solve and I was sure to take plenty of notes on integration/ providing timely feedback and the types of data that can be extracted and how this influences priorities within the budget.

The 2025 NGA saw the return of concurrent listening sessions providing an interactive platform for delegates to engage directly with federal agencies and sector experts on key policy issues. The listening sessions included: Housing and community infrastructure, Emergency management capacity and capability, Local government jobs and skills and Safer roads

Almost 190 motions were debated across a range of policy areas including financial sustainability, roads, disaster resilience, health, housing, and climate. Motions passed by the NGA will be referred to relevant Ministers for response and also used by the ALGA Board to inform national policy positions.

Last week while I was away, unfortunately I missed it, they held the CUC Graduation. A great example of how council can initiate community benefit within our city. The funding was sought by council, handed to an external board to pursue and it's not costing council anything. I would like to congratulate all of the graduates last week. I would also like to welcome all of the new teachers to town who have been granted permission to teach and have been engaged by Education Qld. Our relationship with QUT is continuing to through CUC and is providing immense benefit to our community by assisting to provide service gaps.

We have had some great events on the calendar of late:

On a more local note – I would like to congratulate the Show Committee on a fantastic event and the Great Northern Rodeo for the event they held as part of the show.

I would also like to encourage everyone to get out to the Mount Isa Campdraft this weekend

I would also like to remind everyone that it is 35 days until rodeo and 28 days until Rodeo Ball which is being hosted by Zonta – tickets went on sale Monday and my understanding is tickets are almost gone so if you need tickets – please get in ASAP."

## **9 NOTICES OF MOTION**

Nil

## **10 EXECUTIVE SERVICES REPORTS**

### **10.1 UPDATED POLICIES FOR ADOPTION**

#### **RESOLUTION OM04/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

**THAT** Council adopts the following Strategic Policies:

1. Community Consultation Policy V2
2. Media Policy V7
3. Rates and Charges Debt Recovery Policy V8
4. Youth Policy V2

**CARRIED 7**

## **11 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS**

### **11.1 FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT - MAY 2025**

#### **RESOLUTION OM05/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the May 2025 Finance Overview Report as presented.

**CARRIED 7**

### **11.2 MICC DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS UNITS - FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT AS OF 31 MAY 2025**

#### **RESOLUTION OM06/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard

Seconded: Cr John Tully

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the May 2025 MICC Departmental Business Units Finance Overview Report as presented.

**CARRIED 7**

### **11.3 CORPORATE SERVICES OVERVIEW REPORT - APRIL 2025 AND MAY 2025**

#### **RESOLUTION OM07/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard

Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the April 2025 and May 2025 Corporate Services Overview Report as presented.

**CARRIED 7**

## **12 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORTS**

### **12.1 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY REPORT**

#### **RESOLUTION OM08/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the Economic Development Quarterly Report as presented.

**CARRIED 7**

## **12.2 TOURISM AND MARKETING QUARTERLY REPORT**

### **RESOLUTION OM09/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the Tourism and Marketing Quarterly Report as presented.

**CARRIED 7**

## **12.3 COUNCIL EVENTS AND ENTERTAINMENT FACILITIES QUARTERLY REPORT**

### **RESOLUTION OM10/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr Dan Ballard

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the Council Events and Entertainment Facilities Quarterly Report as presented.

**CARRIED 7**

## **12.4 REQUEST FOR FEE WAIVER - MOUNT ISA YARN UP EVENT**

### **MOTION**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

**THAT** Council approves in-kind venue hire to the value of up to \$5,317.25 (Inc GST) to the First Nations Justice Office for the 2025 Mount Isa Yarn Up Event to be held at Mount Isa Civic Centre on 22-24 July 2025.

**MOTION LOST**

## **12.5 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY REPORT**

### **RESOLUTION OM11/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr John Doyle

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the Community Development Quarterly Report as presented.

**CARRIED 7**



**12.6 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY REPORT****RESOLUTION OM12/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr John Doyle

Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

**THAT** Council accepts the Youth Development Quarterly Report as presented.

**CARRIED 7**

**12.7 REGIONAL JOBS COMMITTEE QUARTERLY REPORT****RESOLUTION OM13/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the Regional Jobs Committee Quarterly Report as presented.

**CARRIED 7**

**12.8 NORTH QLD SPORTS FOUNDATION - 3 YEAR RESOURCE AND PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT****RESOLUTION OM14/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr John Doyle

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

**THAT** Council approve a three-year funding agreement with the North Queensland Sports Foundation, effective from 1 July 2025 for a total cost of \$16,750.13 (ex GST).

**AND**

**THAT** Council delegate authority to the CEO to negotiate and finalise all matters relating to the Resource and Performance Agreement.

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

Against: Crs James Coghlan and Kim Coghlan

**CARRIED 5/2**

**12.9 SPLASHEZ QUARTERLY REPORT****RESOLUTION OM15/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan

Seconded: Cr John Tully

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the Splashez Quarterly Report as presented.

**CARRIED 7**

The Deputy Mayor Cr K Coghlan asked a question without notice regarding the lifeguard's uniform colours, as this is not consistent with other lifeguards and does not stand out enough. The question

was taken on notice by the Manager Economic and Community Development to be tabled for further discussion at a Workshop meeting.

## **12.10 ENVIRONMENTAL AND BIOSECURITY QUARTERLY REPORT - MARCH 2025 TO MAY 2025**

### **RESOLUTION OM16/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr James Coghlan

Seconded: Cr John Tully

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the Environmental and Biosecurity Quarterly Report as presented.

**CARRIED 7**

Cr Tully asked a question without notice regarding Council's responsibility for weed spraying programs on State Land, an example is the block beside the Gliderport which is full of the calotrope weed. The Manager of Economic & Community Development advised that Council is undertaking proactive weed eradication spraying programs and working in conjunction with the State Govt. The question regarding the particular area described will be taken on notice to seek further information to provide a response to Councillors.

## **13 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORTS**

### **13.1 MAJOR PROJECTS OVERVIEW REPORT - MAY 2025**

#### **RESOLUTION OM17/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr John Tully

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

**THAT** Council receives and notes the May 2025 Major Projects Overview Report.

**CARRIED 7**

### **13.2 PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES PANEL**

#### **RESOLUTION OM18/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr John Tully

Seconded: Cr James Coghlan

**THAT** Council appoint the following three (3) suppliers on a Panel of Providers for Project Management Services through Local Buy Arrangement LB#279 under contract MICC 2024\_41 for a fixed term period of 2 years with two additional 12-month extension options:

- Armourcon Civil Engineering Pty Ltd
- GBA Consulting Engineers
- Project Delivery Managers Pty Ltd

AND delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, finalise and enter into contracts with the panel providers.

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**CARRIED 7**

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**13.3 TENDER REPORT MICC 2024-59 FOURTH AVENUE PRINCIPAL CYCLE NETWORK - SEPARABLE PORTION 2 CONSTRUCTION****RESOLUTION OM19/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr John Tully  
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

**THAT** Council award Contract MICC 2024-59 Fourth Avenue Principal Cycle Network Separable Portion 2 to Blackform Contracting Pty Ltd to the value of \$1,628,902.63 (Ex. GST) and delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, finalise and enter into the contract.

**CARRIED 7**

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Deputy Mayor Cr K Coghlan asked a question without notice regarding the specification of the footpath awarded, if the footpath will be concreted to the edge of the boundary. The Director Infrastructure Services responded, confirming the full width will be concreted, leaving no strip.

**13.4 MICC 2024-02 SOLAR PANELS AND BATTERY CONTRACT VARIATION****RESOLUTION OM20/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr Kim Coghlan  
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

**THAT** Council approve a request for variation (V001) to contract MICC 2024-02 Solar Panels and Battery Storage for \$87,759.00 (ex GST), which is over 18% of the original contract value of \$481,438.31 (ex GST).

**CARRIED 7**

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Cr Tully asked a question without notice regarding the use of local suppliers to supply quotes for solar panels during this process, acknowledging the three local suppliers in town. The CEO took the question on notice, to provide details of the procurement process and confirmation around the approach and engagement of local suppliers in this instance.

Cr Ballard requested information to quantify the impact on energy consumption as a result of this project and the energy efficiency initiatives in order to substantiate the cost savings to Council. The CEO advise this item will be tabled for presentation at a future Council Workshop.

**13.5 CONTRACT 2024-63 WATER SUPPLY TRUNK NETWORK RECONFIGURATION – SUPPLY OF PIPEWORK****RESOLUTION OM21/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr John Tully  
Seconded: Cr Dan Ballard

**THAT** Council

1. Award Contract 2024\_63 MICC Network Re-Configuration Supply of Pipework to Clover Pipelines Pty Ltd to the nominal value of \$ 739,545.00 (Excl. GST) noting the following:

- final quantities of materials required for this project is still under review and will be confirmed prior to placement of the supply order. The final contract value will be assessed at the unit rates supplied by the Tenderer and based on the quantities of pipes and materials confirmed by Council;
  - the tendered price from Clover Pipelines Ltd includes freight costs but extra costs will accrue for unloading on site which will be Council's responsibility.
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, finalise and enter into a contract substantively in the terms of the contract issued with the Tender.
  3. Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to approve variations up to 15% of the Contract Value within the total project budget.

**CARRIED 7**

## **14 GENERAL BUSINESS**

Cr Ballard, Cr Doyle, Cr Crowther, Cr Tully, Cr Coghlan and Deputy Mayor Cr K Coghlan each provided an update on recent activities.

At 10.44am, Cr James Coghlan left the meeting due to a conflicting commitment, encountered due to the change in meeting date.

**Council Adjourned at 10.44am**

**Council Reconvened at 11.09am.**

## **15 CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS ITEMS**

### **RESOLUTION OM22/ 07/25**

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 MICCOE Finance Overview Report - May 2025**

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.

#### **15.2 Minutes of the Audit and Risk Management Committee Meeting held 20 February 2025**

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.

#### **15.3 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 6**

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**Commenced Closed Council at 11.11am.**

The CEO left the meeting during the discussion of item 15.3 due to a conflict of interest.

**Resumed Open Council at 11.27am.**

**RESOLUTION OM23/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae

Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

**THAT** Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

**CARRIED 6**

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**15.1 MICCOE FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT - MAY 2025**

**RESOLUTION OM24/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the May 2025 MICCOE Finance Overview Report as presented.

**CARRIED 6**

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**15.2 MINUTES OF THE AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 20 FEBRUARY 2025**

**RESOLUTION OM25/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

**THAT** Council receives and accepts the confirmed Audit and Risk Management Committee Meeting Minutes dated 20 February 2025 as presented.

**CARRIED 6**

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At 11.28am the left the meeting CEO due to a conflict of interest in relation to Item 15.3.

**15.3 APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

**RESOLUTION OM26/ 07/25**

Moved: Cr John Tully

Seconded: Cr Kim Coghlan

**THAT** Council extend the contract of Chief Executive Officer, Tim Rose, for a period of twelve (12) months until 31 December 2026.

**CARRIED 6**

At 11.28am the CEO returned to the meeting.

**There being no further business the Meeting closed at 11.29am.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Council Meeting held on 23 July 2025.**

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**MAYOR MACRARE**