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**Ordinary Council Meeting
Wednesday, 17 December 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, 17 DECEMBER 2025 AT 9:30AM**

PRESENT: Crs MacRae, Ballard, Crowther, Tully

IN ATTENDANCE: Tim Rose (CEO), Andrew Hobbs (Director, Infrastructure Services), Kelvin Tytherleigh (Director, Corporate Services)

1 OPENING OF THE MEETING/ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Mayor MacRae opened the meeting at 9.30am and provided an acknowledgement of country. Mayor MacRae advised that this Ordinary Meeting of Council will be livestreamed and recorded in accordance with Council's policy.

2 PRAYER

Cr John Tully provided the meeting with an opening prayer.

3 APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

APOLOGY

RESOLUTION OM01/ 12/25

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT the apology received from Cr James Coghlan be accepted and leave of absence granted for today's Ordinary Council Meeting.

CARRIED 4

It was noted that Cr Dan Ballard was attending the meeting via teleconference, Microsoft Teams.

Deputy Mayor Cr Kim Coghlan and Cr John Doyle were noted as absent from the meeting.

4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Casual for a Cause Initiative

During the month of November, Mount Isa City Council staff raised \$223.35 for Queensland Country Women's Association (QCWA) Copper City Mount Isa Branch through the Casual for a Cause initiative. Mayor MacRae presented Katrina Kuhne, QCWA treasurer, with the certificate of donation. Katrina Kuhne spoke to the support and initiatives QCWA provides to the community.

A group representing Mithangkaya Nguli Young People Ahead Indigenous Corporation, attended the public gallery. Valerie Dempsey, Service Delivery Manager for Mithangkaya Nguli Young People Ahead Indigenous Corporation, spoke to an expression of interest the corporation has submitted for

lease of Council land. Valerie spoke to the intensive on-country program that this land would support the progress of and the provision of programs that support the families of young people at risk. Mayor MacRae thanked the group for attending the Council meeting, and advised that the matter will be considered at the January Ordinary Council meeting.

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

5.1 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 26 NOVEMBER 2025

RESOLUTION OM02/ 12/25

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 26 November 2025 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED 4

6 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

6.1 OUTSTANDING ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS AS AT 12 DECEMBER 2025

RESOLUTION OM03/ 12/25

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther
Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council receives and notes the outstanding actions from previous Council Meetings as at 12 December 2025.

CARRIED 4

7 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

I, Cr John Tully, inform this meeting that I have a declarable conflict of interest in Item 15.5 as defined in section 150EN and 150EQ of the *Local Government Act 2009* as follows. A declarable conflict of interest has arisen with this matter as a related party of mine has an interest in this matter. My son's business has submitted a tender for the construction of the project relating to this budget item. I wish to participate in the decision in relation to this matter, as I do not believe a reasonable person could have a perception of bias as this item considers Council's budget provision for the project only. It is noted that my son's tender response has already been submitted, and I will not participate when this matter is considered at a later date.

Under the provisions of the Local Government Act 2009 sections 150ES and 150ET, eligible councillors considered this request.

MOTION – CR TULLY COI

RESOLUTION OM04/ 12/25

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Cr Tully may participate in the decision for Item 15.5 - Water Main Network Reconfiguration despite the Councillor's conflict of interest because, the matter considers Council's budgetary provisions for this project only. As such, a reasonable person would trust that the final decision will be made in the public interest.

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

Against: Nil

Abstained: Cr John Tully

Absent: Crs James Coghlan, Kim Coghlan and John Doyle

CARRIED 3/0

8 MAYORAL MINUTE

Mayor MacRae delivered the following Mayoral Minute:

I would like to start today's Mayoral Minute by holding a minute's silence for the victims of Bondi and the Bondi community.

My thoughts and prayers are with the families of the victims and those that are recovering in hospital. I have been asked to do interviews on this topic, though have chosen not to do so out of respect for the victims, as no words can change what they have been through. This was an act of terrorism and that is very hard to control in a society that has the freedoms we enjoy and want to continue to enjoy.

Yes, the perpetrators came from elsewhere – as did many of the victims and the heroes. It is not the fault of politicians, guns, immigrants, Jewish people or Palestinians. It is the fault of extremism and terrorists that were the father and son that chose to embrace hate, instead of love, compassion and tolerance of others.

According to the 2021 census, we had seven Jewish people living in Mount Isa at that time – so a very small community (I am happy to stand corrected if that has changed). If you know these people, make sure you reach out to them to show them your support at this time. About four times a year, we welcome new Australian citizens at our citizenship ceremonies, where they pledge that they will uphold their own cultures and traditions in freedom and allow others to do the same – while embracing our combined Australian culture. Those not prepared to do that should remain elsewhere.

2025 has seen the Mount Isa economy face one of our most difficult years – and I would like to thank the councillors, MICC staff and community for pulling together at this time, and supporting each other through these changes. I believe we are past the worst of it and by the end of next year we will be as strong as we have been. This time last year, we were dealing with the administrator of Rodeo, and I would like to thank Thommo, our MICC rep Cr Tully, and the whole Rodeo Committee for putting on one of the best rodeos in recent history. The community wanted it back in community hands, and you were able to deliver a top class event, showcasing local talent while being financially successful. The same must be said about our own events team here at council. Budgets were slashed for the Street Festival, Carols Event – all of our events actually – but you were able to embrace local and give the community something that they could be proud of. Their community spirit shone through and gave visitors an authentic Isa experience.

This year saw the closure of the underground copper mine, which was largely overshadowed at that time by the potential smelter closure. We lost a number of long term families, however we are continuing to see new arrivals. I would like to thank the State and Federal governments for their commitment to the long term future of Mount Isa through their smelter rescue package – as without that, many of us could be facing a completely different Christmas.

The smelter rescue, the Eva Copper announcement, the \$200m energy funding facility, the \$5.1m RAF funding, the \$5m North West Mineral Province study, all point to a positive and prosperous new

year. The capital works report in this meeting details \$50m dollars' worth of projects that are funded, underway or in the planning stages.

I would also like to speak in terms of the riverbed. The land management that the team have done in terms of firebreaks and weed management. We received correspondence from the fire brigade yesterday that callouts have decreased by 60%. There has been some concern about silt heading to the dam however, this time of the year, the ground cover will come back quickly to hold topsoil in place. This project was funded by QRA so was not a cost to ratepayers and, in my mind, it has never looked tidier. We will continue to maintain drains and stormwater throughout the season.

To wrap up, I would like to thank everyone for a great year and wish everyone a Merry Christmas, happy new year and safe travels to anyone who is heading away.

9 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

10 EXECUTIVE SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 UPDATED POLICIES FOR ADOPTION

RESOLUTION OM05/ 12/25

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council adopts the following Statutory Policies:

1. Anti-Bullying, Sexual Harassment and Discrimination Policy V4
2. Reimbursement of Expenses Provision of Facilities for Mayor and Councillors Policy V10
3. Residential Pool Wastewater Disposal Policy V1

And

THAT Council extinguish the following Statutory Policy:

1. Anti-Bullying Policy V4

CARRIED 4

11 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

11.1 FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT -NOVEMBER 2025

RESOLUTION OM06/ 12/25

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard

Seconded: Cr John Tully

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

CARRIED 4

11.2 MICC DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS UNITS - FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT AS OF 30 NOVEMBER 2025

RESOLUTION OM07/ 12/25

Moved: Cr Dan Ballard

Seconded: Cr John Tully

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

CARRIED 4

12 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORTS**12.1 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY REPORT****RESOLUTION OM08/ 12/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council accepts the Economic Development Quarterly Report as presented.

CARRIED 4

12.2 TOURISM AND MARKETING QUARTERLY REPORT**RESOLUTION OM09/ 12/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council approves the Tourism and Marketing Quarterly Report as presented.

CARRIED 4

12.3 COUNCIL EVENTS AND ENTERTAINMENT FACILITIES QUARTERLY REPORT**RESOLUTION OM10/ 12/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

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

CARRIED 4

12.4 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY REPORT**RESOLUTION OM11/ 12/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

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

CARRIED 4

12.5 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY REPORT**RESOLUTION OM12/ 12/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council accept the quarterly report on youth development.

CARRIED 4

12.6 REGIONAL JOBS COMMITTEE QUARTERLY REPORT**RESOLUTION OM13/ 12/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

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

CARRIED 4

12.7 SPLASHEZ QUARTERLY REPORT**RESOLUTION OM14/ 12/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

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

CARRIED 4

12.8 ENVIRONMENTAL AND BIOSECURITY QUARTERLY REPORT**RESOLUTION OM15/ 12/25**

Moved: Cr John Tully

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

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

CARRIED 4

12.9 LEASE RENEWAL LOT 3 ON SP222005**RECOMMENDATION****THAT** Council resolves:

1. That Council is satisfied that a trustee lease over Council reserve land, described as Lot 3 on SP222005 may be entered into other than by tender or auction and authorise this action under
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section 236(1)(c)(iii) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (the disposal is for the purpose of renewing the lease of land to the existing tenant of the land); and

2. To enter into a new trustee lease agreement with the current lessee, over Council reserve land, described as Lot 3 on SP222005 for a term of ten (10) years; and
3. That conditions in the lease agreement will include:
 - a. The lease is not to be transferred or subleased; and
 - b. To hold tenure over Lot 3 on SP222005 the lessees must permanently reside in Mount Isa; and
 - c. The lessee must comply with all relevant legislation including but not limited to:
 - i. *Biosecurity Act 2014 (Qld)*,
 - ii. *Nature Conservation Act 1992 (Qld) & Vegetation Management Act 1999 (Qld)*
 - iii. *Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011 (Qld) & Waste Reduction and Recycling Regulation 2011 (Qld)*
 - iv. *Environmental Protection Act 1994 (Qld)*
 - v. *Local Laws*
 - vi. *Related Mount Isa City Council area management plans.*
4. Delegates to the Director of Community Services the authority to finalise all matters in relation to the trustee lease agreement.

PROCEDURAL MOTION – MATTER LIE ON THE TABLE

RESOLUTION OM16/ 12/25

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council let this matter lay on the table until the January Ordinary Council meeting, due to the number of Councillors present at this meeting.

.CARRIED 4

12.10 WASTE STRATEGY DRAFT FOR CONSULTATION

RESOLUTION OM17/ 12/25

Moved: Cr John Tully

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council accept the Draft for Consultation version of the Mount Isa City Council Waste Strategy and undertake community consultation in accordance with Section 125 of the Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011.

CARRIED 4

12.11 DECLARED SERVICE AREAS FOR WATER, SEWERAGE AND WASTE

RESOLUTION OM18/ 12/25

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council adopts version 5 of the Declared Service Area for the collection of general waste (cleansing services) for Camooweal and Mount Isa City, as per the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Regulation 2003, Part 3 Section 5*.

AND

THAT Council adopts version 3 of the Declared Service Area for the collection of kerbside recycling for Camooweal and Mount Isa City, as per the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Regulation 2003, Part 3 Section 5*.

AND

THAT Council ensures the reflection of these Declared Services Areas within their respective management plans, data sources, made publicly available on Council's website and used as a supporting reference in any future City of Mount Isa Planning Scheme amendments.

CARRIED 4

13 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORTS

13.1 MAJOR PROJECTS OVERVIEW REPORT - NOVEMBER 2025

RESOLUTION OM19/ 12/25

Moved: Cr John Tully

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

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

CARRIED 4

13.2 WATER AND SEWER PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR 2024-2025

RESOLUTION OM20/ 12/25

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council Endorse the Water and Sewer Performance Report for 2024-2025 for release to the Regulator and for publishing on Council's website.

CARRIED 4

14 GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Ballard, Cr Crowther and Cr Tully provided an update on recent activities and closing statements for the calendar year.

15 CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS ITEMS

RESOLUTION OM21/ 12/25

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

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 - November 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 Concession to Waiver and Write-Off All Outstanding Rates & Charges on Assessment 10057297, Outstanding Water Consumption Charges on Water Account 21151899 and Invoice 3159 for Reserve Lease Fees on Debtor Account 30025

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.

15.3 Notice of Intention to Sell Land for Outstanding Rates and Charges

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.

15.4 Minutes of the Audit and Risk Management Committee Meeting held 28 August 2025 and 23 October 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.

15.5 Water Main Network Reconfiguration

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.

CARRIED 4

Commenced Closed Council at 10.18am

During closed business, Cr Tully remained in the meeting for the discussion of Item 15.5 in accordance with council resolution OM04/12/2025.

Resumed Open Council at 10.35am

RESOLUTION OM22/ 12/25

Moved: Cr Peta MacRae

Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

CARRIED 4

15.1 MICCOE FINANCE OVERVIEW REPORT - NOVEMBER 2025**RESOLUTION OM23/ 12/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

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

CARRIED 4

15.2 CONCESSION TO WAIVER AND WRITE-OFF ALL OUTSTANDING RATES & CHARGES ON ASSESSMENT 10057297, OUTSTANDING WATER CONSUMPTION CHARGES ON WATER ACCOUNT 21151899 AND INVOICE 3159 FOR RESERVE LEASE FEES ON DEBTOR ACCOUNT 30025**RESOLUTION OM24/ 12/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

THAT Council approves to waiver and write-off all outstanding rates & charges on assessment 10057297 of **\$1,139.68** and water consumption charges on water account 21151899 of **\$17,654.39**; under *Sections 119, 120(1)(b)(i), 121(a) & 122(1)(a) of the Local Government Regulation 2012* as the reserve lease was surrendered back to Council to due to the club being the victims of arson;

And

THAT Council approves to waiver and write-off invoice 3159 of \$1,864.96 for reserve lease fees on debtor account 30025 under *Sections 7.3 of Council's Sundry Debt Recovery Policy*;

And

THAT Council further approves to waiver and write-off the water consumption charges yet to be issued for the remainder of the 2025/2026 financial period under *Sections 119, 120(1)(b)(i), 121(a) & 122(1)(a) of the Local Government Regulation 2012*.

CARRIED 4

15.3 NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SELL LAND FOR OUTSTANDING RATES AND CHARGES**RESOLUTION OM25/ 12/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther

Seconded: Cr John Tully

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:
 - i. give a Notice of Intention to Sell the land to all interested parties under section 140(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*; and
 - ii. 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.

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Schedule

Rates Assessment	Utility Account	Description
10001949	21101662	Lot 65 on MPH22045
10002319	21102017	Lot 59 on MPH22044
10005429	21105010	Lot 17 on MPH22032
10005890	21105457	Lot 316 on MPH14001
10006237	21105796	Lot 822 on MPH14001
10007219	21106778	Lot 911 on MPH14001
10008647	21108196	Lot 26 on MPH22036
10015873	21114962	Lot 35 on M758115
10024503	21122551	Lot 61 on M758158
10028066	21125505	Lot 55 on M758180
10031540	21128939	Lot 1 on M758199
10031573	21128962	Lot 14 on M758196
10032688	21130026	Lot 2 on MPH30760
10042331	21139142	Lot 85 on MPH14004
10051399	21146634	Lot 22 on MPH21963
10051969	21147186	Lot 11 on MPH22110
10052769	21147988	Lot 17 on MPH22110
10052843	21148069	Lot 43 on MPH22112
10053379	21148580	Lot 42 on MPH40024
10065639	21158902	Lot 4 on MPH40092
10070746	21163928	Lot 13 on MPH40066
10006021	21105580	Lot 15 on MPH22013
10007037	21106596	Lot 91 on MPH21959
10024073	21122122	Lot 57 on M758157
10032324	21129697	Lot 82 on M758198
10035715	21132832	Lot 77 on MPH21970
10035764	21132881	Lot 82 on MPH21970
10055580	21150347	Lot 1 on MPH14010
10056224	21150966	Lot 47 on MPH14007
10059632	21169453	Lot 1 on MPH30194
10060077	21153879	Lot 24 on MPH4586
10061034	21154760	Lot 87 on MPH13990
10063485	21156898	Lot 60 on MPH13991
10070712	21163894	Lot 56 on MPH40066
10026631	21124128	Lot 45 on M758157
10032670	21130018	Lot 3 on MPH30760
10033900	21131164	Lot 5 on MPH30759
10042190	21139043	Lot 2 on MPH22150
10046233	21142765	Lot 35 on MPH33732
10072742	21165600	Lot 1 on RP859134
10022499	21120548	Lot 64 on M758145
10048940	21144308	Lot 16 on MPH21950
10065969	21159231	Lot 16 on MPH40095

CARRIED 4

15.4 MINUTES OF THE AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 28 AUGUST 2025 AND 23 OCTOBER 2025**RESOLUTION OM26/ 12/25**

Moved: Cr John Tully
Seconded: Cr Travis Crowther

THAT Council receives and accepts the confirmed Audit and Risk Management Committee Meeting Minutes dated 28 August 2025 and 23 October 2025 as presented.

CARRIED 4

Cr Tully remained in the meeting for the decision of Item 15.5 in accordance with council resolution OM04/12/2025.

15.5 WATER MAIN NETWORK RECONFIGURATION**RESOLUTION OM27/ 12/25**

Moved: Cr Travis Crowther
Seconded: Cr Peta MacRae

THAT Council approve a total budget amount of \$5,500,000 to allow for project contingencies of \$350,000 to manage the site-specific risks associated with the project. The budget will be spread over the 2025-26 and 2026-27 financial years to enable the delivery of the water main network reconfiguration project.

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

Against: Nil

Absent: Crs James Coghlan, Kim Coghlan and John Doyle

CARRIED 4

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 10.39am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Council Meeting held on 28 January 2026.



MAYOR MACRAE