# ORDINARY MEETING

# 28 OCTOBER 2026

# 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT:
Cr A Eden (Chairperson)
Cr B Moller
Cr M Tickner
Cr C Zeiger (via Phone)
Cr T Tim
Cr R Pyne
Cr K Vallely
Cr A Middleton
Cr R Coghlan
Cr B Olds

APOLOGY:

OFFICERS:

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|---|---|
| K Gouldthorp | Chief Executive Officer |
| H McBride | Director People and Organisational Performance |
| S Lisle | Acting Director Planning, Growth and Sustainability |
| M Wuth | Director Cairns Infrastructure and Assets |
| D Puia | Director Lifestyle and Community |
| L Whitton | Chief Financial Officer |
| N Masasso | Director Economic Development and Advocacy |
| C Simmons | Executive Manager Development & Planning |
| A Patterson | Executive Manager Licensing & Compliance |
| J Perry | Public Affairs Coordinator |
| L Vigar | Public Affairs Advisor |
| J Conway | Executive Officer |
| N Sproles | Minute Secretary |

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## 1. ATTENDANCE

**All in attendance with Cr Zeiger via phone.**

## 2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

**Nil**

## 3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

**Nil**

## 4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING 14/10/26

MOLLER / OLDS

**That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday, 14 October 2026 be confirmed.**

*carried unanimously*

## 5. OPEN SESSION – OFFICERS' REPORTS

**5.1 CEO MONTHLY REPORT .....41**
**EXE | 93/1/2 | #7961460**

MIDDLETON / VALLELY

**That Council notes:**

1. **The status of Council Resolutions;**
2. **The CEO Monthly Update; and**
3. **The Monthly Activity Review – September 2026.**

*carried unanimously*

**5.2 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 25 SEPTEMBER 2026.....56**
**FBS | 63/17/2-01 | #7953366**

MOLLER / COGHLAN

**That Council notes the financial performance report for the period ended 25 September 2026.**

*carried unanimously*

**5.3 GRANTS INWARDS STATUS UPDATE REPORT.....79**
**FBS | 63/8/12-07 | #7959913**

VALLELY / TIM

**That Council notes the Grants Inwards Status Update Report.**

*carried unanimously*

**5.4 ADVOCACY PRIORITIES.....92**
**EDA | 58/6/3-01 | #7952304**

EDEN / VALLELY

**That Council:**

1. **Endorses the suite of Tier 1 and Tier 2 Advocacy Priorities as listed in Attachment 1 as the complete and current list of Council's Advocacy Priorities;**

2. **Continues to work collaboratively with regional stakeholders to support other advocacy projects and initiatives where appropriate; and**

3. **Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to finalise any and all matters relating to the above.**

*carried unanimously*

**5.5 COMMUNITY SAFETY ADVOCACY PRIORITIES.....97**
**EDA | 58/6/3-01 | #7955380**

EDEN / OLDS

**That Council:**

1. **Endorses the Community Safety Advocacy Priorities outlined in Attachment 1 as a Tier 1 Advocacy Priority of Council in accordance with Council's Advocacy Policy; and**

2. **Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to finalise any and all matters relating to the above.**

*carried unanimously*

**5.6 QUARTER 1 OPERATIONAL PLAN AND CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM 2026-27 PROGRESS REPORTS ..... 107**
**POP | 83/3/1-01 | #7929653**

MIDDLETON / OLDS

**That Council notes the Quarter 1 Operational Plan and Capital Works Program 2026-27 Progress Reports**

*carried unanimously*

**5.7 COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2027 ..... 140**
**POP | 65/4/1-07 | #7955241**

COGHLAN / MOLLER

**That Council:**
**1. Adopts the following schedule of Ordinary Meetings for 2027 and notifies the public accordingly.**

**January 2027**

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| Wednesday, 27 January 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |

**February 2027**

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| Wednesday, 24 February 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |

**March 2027**

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| Wednesday, 10 March 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |
| Wednesday, 24 March 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |

**April 2027**

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| Wednesday, 14 April 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |
| Wednesday, 28 April 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |

**May 2027**

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| Wednesday, 12 May 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |
| Wednesday, 26 May 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |

**June 2027**

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| Wednesday, 16 June 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |
| Wednesday, 23 June 2027 (9.00 am) | Special Budget Meeting |

**July 2027**

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| Wednesday, 14 July 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |
| Wednesday, 28 July 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |

**August 2027**

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| Wednesday, 11 August 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |
| Wednesday, 25 August 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |

**September 2027**

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| Wednesday, 15 September 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |
| Wednesday, 29 September 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |

**October 2027**

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| Wednesday, 13 October 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |
| Wednesday, 27 October 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |

**November 2027**

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| Wednesday, 10 November 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |
| Wednesday, 24 November 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |

**December 2027**

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| Wednesday, 15 December 2027 (9.00 am) | Ordinary Meeting |

**2. Notes the Schedule of Councillor Briefings and Workshops, including Mayor, Councillor and CEO Forums.**

*carried unanimously*

**5.8 TENURE ARRANGEMENTS FOR COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS.....147**
**PGS | 55/2/3 | #7932526**

MOLLER / TICKNER

**That Council:**

**1. Applies exceptions under the *Local Government Regulation 2012* for the disposal of valuable non-current assets, other than by tender or auction, pursuant to section 236(1)(b)(ii) being for the purpose of negotiating tenure arrangements with the community organisations and associated land described below:**

**a. A lease over land described as Lot 2 on SP363620, Trinity Beach Road, Trinity Beach, to Marlin Coast Rangers Football Club Inc;**
**b. A lease over land described as Lot 2 on SP363620, Trinity Beach Road, Trinity Beach, to Baseball Cairns Inc;**
**c. A lease over land described as Lot 191 on NR6528, 85-93 Oleander Street, Holloways Beach to DogzCairns Inc;**

**d. A lease over land described as Lot 3 on RP701079, 28 Grove Street, Cairns North, to Cairns Italian Festival Inc;**
**e. A lease over land described as Lot 1 on C198325, 152 Abbott Street, Cairns North, to Cairns Tennis Club Inc;**
**f. A lease over land described as Lot 115 on NR800836, 2-40 Anderson Street, Manunda to ARC Disability Services Inc;**
**g. A lease over land described as Lot 11 on SP346748, 271 Gatton Street, Westcourt to Cairns and District Senior Citizens Association Inc**
**h. A lease over land described as Lot 1 on RP722073, Wolff Street, Edmonton, to Lions Club Edmonton Inc;**
**i. A lease over land described as Lot 2 on RP729059, 48-52 Graham Street, Edmonton, to Play Matters Australia Ltd;**
**j. A lease over land described as Lot 166 on NR7440, 18-20 Highleigh Road, Gordonvale, to Gordonvale Men's Shed Inc;**
**k. A lease over land described as Lot 47 on NR7477, 22-24 Hives Street, Gordonvale, to Gordonvale Pony Club Equestrian Centre Inc;**
**l. A lease over land described as Lot 2 on SP285528, 81-83 Sheppards Street, Gordonvale, to Southern Suburbs Junior Rugby League Club (Cairns) Inc;**
**m. A lease over land described as Lot 2 on SP285528, 81-83 Sheppards Street, Gordonvale, to Cairns Southside Judo Club Inc; and**
**n. A lease over land described as Lot 1 on RP809583, Mill Road, Babinda, to Babinda and District Pony Club Inc;**
**o. A lease over land described as Lot 132 on SP246991, 17 King Street, Babinda, to Babinda and District Amateur Fishing Club Inc;**
**p. A lease over land described as Lot 9 on N15737, 1151R Thomson Road, Edmonton, to The Historical Society Cairns North Queensland Inc; and**
**q. A lease over land described as Lot 22 on C198406, Shop 5 and 7, 93-105 Lake Street, Cairns City, to The Historical Society Cairns North Queensland Inc;**

**2. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer under section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009* to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters in connection with the lease arrangements.**

*carried unanimously*

**5.9 FREE REGISTRATION FOR AGED PENSIONERS AND GUIDE, HEARING AND ASSISTANCE DOGS – GENERAL POLICY UPDATE.....158**
**LC | 52/2/4-02 | #7955832**

COGHLAN / PYNE

**That Council adopts the Free Registration for Aged Pensioners and Guide, Hearing and Assistance Dogs – General Policy**

*carried unanimously*

**5.10 IN-KIND USE OF BARLOW PARK BY NORTHERN PRIDE RUGBY LEAGUE LIMITED ..... 163**
**LC | 52/7/6-07 | #7952246**

COGHLAN / PYNE

**That Council:**

1. **Approves a Funding Agreement with Northern Pride Rugby League Limited for a period of one (1) year from 1 January – 31 December 2027 for the use of West Barlow Park up to the value of $131,355 ex GST In-kind, with two (2) one (1) year Options, on the same terms and conditions and at a value to be determined; and**

2. **Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer, in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009,* to negotiate and finalise any and all matters in relation to the Funding, Options and related Agreements.**

*carried unanimously*

**5.11 PETITION REQUESTING CONSTRUCTION OF MISSING FOOTPATH ALONG PART OF PARADISE PALMS DRIVE – DIVISION 9..... 168**
**LC | 52/9/4 | #7958543**

OLDS / TICKNER

**That Council receives the petition and requests a response to the principal petitioner by an Officer in line with the information outlined in this report.**

*carried unanimously*

**5.12 STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES MULTICULTURAL GRANTS PROGRAM – RETROSPECTIVE APPLICATION FOR 2027/2029 PROGRAM ..... 173**
**LC | 52/2/7-01 | #7960445**

MIDDLETON / COGHLAN

**That Council:**

1. **Retrospectively endorses the submission of an application under the Strengthening Communities Multicultural Grants Program 2026-27, Youth and Community Connection category, seeking $50,049 for the Multicultural Youth Documentary Project; and**

2. **Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the Local Government Act 2009 to finalise any and all matters relating to the application, including the execution of an associated funding agreement should Council's application be successful.**

*carried unanimously*

**5.13 PETITION – LITTLES AND DEXTER ROADS GORDONVALE SPEED LIMIT ..... 178**
**CIA | 81/1/13 | #7958501**

MOLLER / TICKNER

**That Council receives the petition and requests a response to the principal petitioner by an Officer in line with the information outlined in this report.**

*carried unanimously*

**5.14 PROJECT LAUNCH APPROVAL – 601131 – CONTRACT 3085 – ANNUAL MANHOLE REHABILITATION PROGRAM..... 184**
**CIA | 50/9/100-01 | #7960286**

TICKNER / MOLLER

**That Council:**

1. **Approves the award of Contract 3085 – Annual Manhole Rehabilitation Program to FITT Resources Pty Ltd for the estimated value of $485,508.10 excluding GST, with the option for two available extensions of 12 months each, at Council's sole discretion;**

2. **Endorses the Project Launch Approval (PLA) for Project 601131 Annual Manhole Rehabilitation Program with a Project Launch Budget (PLB) of $575,687 in FY26/27 and an Approved End Date (AED) of 30 June 2027; and**

3. **Delegates authority to the CEO in accordance with the *Local Government Act* to finalise and negotiate any and all matters relating to this project and contract subject to normal procurement practices and policies.**

*carried unanimously*

## 6. LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOLLER / PYNE

**That standing orders be suspended for the following local announcements for which notice has been provided in accordance with clause 31. of the Model Meeting Procedures and Council Standing Orders General Policy:**

*carried unanimously*

**CR MOLLER – ST RITA'S SCHOOL BABINDA'S 100 YEAR CELEBRATION**

**CR COGHLAN – QUEENSLAND SPORTS FOUNDATION ANNUAL AWARDS**

OLDS / VALLELY

**That Council resumes the meeting standing orders.**

*carried unanimously*

## 7. CLOSED SESSION – OFFICERS' REPORTS

TICKNER / VALLELY

**AT 10:35 AM COUNCIL RESOLVED TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS FOR THE REASONS INDICATED UNDER THE *LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS 2012* (LGR).**

| Item | Reason | LGR section |
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| **PREJUDICIAL MATTER - SUPPORT FOR MAJOR EVENT [REFERENCE: 2026 – 04]**<br>**EDA \| 52/1/16 \| #7961639** | *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.* | *254J(3)(g)* |
| **PREJUDICIAL MATTER – ACQUIREMENT OF LAND – DIVISION 5**<br>**PGS \| 19/28/288 \| #7963639** | *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.* | *254J(3)(g)* |

*carried unanimously*

## AT 10:38 AM COUNCIL RESOLVED TO MOVE OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

MOLLER / OLDS

*carried unanimously*

## RESOLUTIONS ARISING FROM MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION.

**7.1 PREJUDICIAL MATTER – SUPPORT FOR MAJOR EVENT [REFERENCE: 2026 – 04].....190**
**EDA | 52/1/16 | #7961639**

OLDS / TICKNER

**That Council:**

1. **Resolves in accordance with section 235(b) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, it is satisfied that the event provider is a Specialised Supplier and that they be added to the Sole Supplier Register for all financial years in which event related payments take place;**

2. **Notes that this report is confidential and is to be treated as such in accordance with sections 171 and 200 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, and resolve that it remain confidential until Council makes a public announcement regarding the Major Event;**

3. **Supports the securing of the Major Event [Reference: 2026 – 04] outlined in the report by approving the recommended allocation of funding from previously endorsed and publicly announced event funding in accordance with the arrangements detailed in the report; and**

4. **Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009,* to finalise any and all matters relating to the above.**

*carried unanimously*

**7.2 PREJUDICIAL MATTER – ACQUIREMENT OF LAND – DIVISION 5.....199**
**PGS | 19/28/288 | #7963639**

PYNE / MOLLER

**That Council:**

1. **Provides approval to enter into a contract of sale to purchase Lot 94 on C1983 being 145-147 Grafton Street, Cairns City and Lot 7 on C198318 being 120-122 Sheridan Street, Cairns City subject but not limited to the terms and conditions contained herein; and**

2. **Notes that the purchase is not currently identified in the 10-Year Capital Works Program and it is to be funded from forecast underspend in the 2026/27 Capital Works Program. This will require deferral of equivalent value to projects within the Community and Lifestyle portfolio in future budget years; and**

3. **Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009, to offer, negotiate and finalise any and all matters associated with the purchase including but not limited to contract conditions, final purchase price, settlement, variations and dispute resolution.**

*carried unanimously*

**THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10:40AM**

**CONFIRMED THIS DAY OF 2026**

**…… ……**
**MAYOR/CHAIR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**