



MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

25 FEBRUARY 2026

9:00 A.M.

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

APOLOGY: Cr T Tim

OFFICERS:

K Gouldthorp	Chief Executive Officer
H Mc Bride	Director People & Organisational Performance
M Davey	Director Planning Growth & Sustainability
M Wuth	Director Cairns Infrastructure & Assets
D Puia	Director Lifestyle & Community
L Whitton	Chief Financial Officer
N Masasso	Director Economic Development & Advocacy
R Stone	Executive Manager Marketing & Communications
A Patterson	Executive Manager Licensing & Compliance
J Conway	Executive Officer
S Godkin	Minute Secretary

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1. APOLOGY

Council notes the apology of Councillor Tim.

2. PRESCRIBED CONFLICT OF INTEREST / DECLARABLE CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

3. MAYORAL MINUTE

NIL

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING 11/2/26

MOLLER / OLDS

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday, 11 February 2026 be confirmed.

carried unanimously

5. OFFICERS REPORTS – (OPEN SESSION)

5.1 CEO MONTHLY REPORT 37
EO | 93/1/2 | #7812112

MOLLER / OLDS

That Council notes:

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

carried with Councillor Pyne voting against the motion

5.2 REEF EYE FERRIS WHEEL - NEW TENURE ARRANGEMENT 56
L&C | 52/7/3 | #7813544

PYNE / ZEIGER

That Council:

1. Applies the exception in section 236(1)(f) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 for the disposal of a valuable non-current asset other than by tender or auction;
2. Supports the disposal of the asset other than by tender or auction as being in the public interest for the reasons outlined in the Public Interest section of this report;
3. Supports the disposal of the asset as otherwise being in accordance with the sound contracting principles for the reasons outlined in the Sound Contracting Principles section of this report;
4. Supports the offer of a 10-year trustee lease to Westshell Pty Ltd over part of Lot 17 on SP155099 being Reserve for Park and Recreation purposes and subject but not limited to the terms and conditions contained herein;
5. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, to negotiate and finalise any and all matters associated with the negotiation and finalisation of the land dealings.

carried unanimously

5.3 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED
30 JANUARY 2026..... 63
F&BS | 63/17/2-01 | #7805967

COGHLAN / VALLLEY

That Council notes the financial performance report for the period ended 30 January 2026.

carried unanimously

5.4 MINUTES CAIRNS WATER SECURITY (CWS) STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 27 JANUARY 2026..... 86
CIA | 63/5/3-03 | #7497390v17

TICKNER / MOLLER

That Council endorses the minutes of the Cairns Water Security (CWS) Steering Committee meeting held 27 January 2026.

carried unanimously

5.5 BRIDGE DUAL NAMING PROPOSAL FOR FISHERIES BRIDGE, GOLDSBOROUGH 93
CIA | 51/2/1 | #7801808

MOLLER / MIDDLETON

That Council adopt a dual name for Fisheries Bridge “Fisheries Bridge Balngga-L”.

carried with Councillors Tickner and Olds voting against the motion

5.6 TENURE ARRANGEMENT- TRUSTEE LEASE OVER PART OF RESERVES BEING LOT 237 ON SP305158 113-117 WATTLE STREET, YORKEYS KNOB AND LOT 235 ON SP305158 133 WATTLE STREET, YORKEYS KNOB – DIVISION 8..... 97
PGS | 19/28/500 | #7765230

COGHLAN / MIDDLETON

That Council:

1. Applies the exception in section 236(1)(b)(ii) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* for the disposal of a valuable non-current asset via a trustee lease to a community organisation being to Hekili Outrigger Canoe Club Inc. over part of Council reserves for park and recreation described as part of:
 - Lot 237 on SP305158, being 113-117 Wattle Street, Yorkeys Knob, and
 - Lot 235 on SP305158, being 133 Wattle Street, Yorkeys Knob; and

2. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer under section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009* to negotiate and finalise any and all matters associated with the land dealings subject but not limited to the terms and conditions contained of the report.

carried unanimously

5.7 TENURE ARRANGEMENTS – TRUSTEE LEASE OVER PART OF LOT 22 ON C198406, SCHOOL OF ARTS, SHOPS 1, 3 AND 9, 93-105 LAKE STREET, CAIRNS CITY – DIVISION 5..... 106 PGS | 19/28/316 | #7807723

PYNE / MIDDLETON

That Council:

1. Applies the exception in section 236(1)(b)(ii) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* for the disposal of a valuable non-current asset (via a trustee lease) to a community organisation being Cairns Indigenous Art Fair Limited over part of Council controlled Deed of Grant in Trust (DOGIT) land for Local Government purposes described as lot 22 on C198406, 93-105 Lake Street, Cairns City and issue a trustee lease for shops 1, 3 and 9; and
2. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, to negotiate and finalise any and all matters associated with the tenure arrangements subject but not limited to the terms and conditions of the report.

carried unanimously

6. URGENT BUSINESS NOT ON THE AGENDA

NIL

7. OFFICERS' REPORTS – CLOSED SESSION

MOLLER / TICKNER

AT 9.55 A.M. COUNCIL RESOLVED TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ITEM FOR THE REASONS INDICATED UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS 2012 (LGR).

Item	Reason	LGR section
STAFF MATTER – CEO MID TERM PERFORMANCE REVIEW	<i>Industrial matters affecting employees</i>	254J(3)(b)

carried unanimously

OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

AT 9:57 A.M. COUNCIL RESOLVED TO MOVE OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

MOLLER / OLDS

carried unanimously

RESOLUTIONS ARISING FROM MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION.

7.1 STAFF MATTER – CEO MID-TERM PERFORMANCE REVIEW

OLDS / COGHLAN

That Council:

1. **Accepts the outcomes of the CEO Mid-Term Performance Review and report prepared by LG Services Group.**
2. **Approves the alterations to the CEO employment agreement as recommended.**
3. **Adopts the amended CEO 2025/2026 Performance Agreement as presented.**

carried unanimously

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.58 AM

CONFIRMED THIS

DAY OF

2026

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MAYOR

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER