



ORDINARY MEETING

29 APRIL 2026

9:00 A.M.

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

APOLOGY: Cr K Vallely

OFFICERS:

K Gouldthorp	Chief Executive Officer
M Davey	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
A Patterson	Executive Manager Licensing & Compliance
J Conway	Executive Officer
R Stone	Executive Manager Strategic Communications & Engagement
P Rogato	Public Affairs Coordinator
L Vigar	Public Affairs Advisor
N Sproles	Minute Secretary

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1. APOLOGY

Council notes the apology of Councillor Vallely.

2. PRESCRIBED CONFLICT OF INTEREST / DECLARABLE CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no conflict of interests or material personal interests declared.

3. MAYORAL MINUTE

NIL

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING 15 APRIL 2026..... 3

MOLLER / TICKNER

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday, 15 April 2026 be confirmed.

carried unanimously

5. OPEN SESSION – OFFICERS’ REPORTS

5.1 CEO MONTHLY REPORT 21
EO | 93/1/2 | #7852971

TICKNER / MIDDLETON

That Council notes:

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

carried unanimously

5.2 OPPORTUNITIES TO ENHANCE ENGAGEMENT WITH PACIFIC ISLAND NATIONS & TRADELINKED CAIRNS INCORPORATED RESOURCE AND PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT 36
 EDA | 58/1/2 | #7853684

TICKNER / EDEN

That Council:

1. Notes the priority opportunities to enhance engagement with Pacific Island nations and Council’s role in progressing those opportunities as outlined in this report;
2. Approves the amendment and extension of Council’s Resource and Performance Agreement with Tradelinked Cairns Incorporated for the period 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2028, with annual funding of up to \$48,000 ex GST; and
3. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to finalise any and all matters associated with the Resource and Performance Agreement.

carried unanimously

5.3 ADVOCACY POLICY 44
 EDA | 52/1/16 | #7805015

MOLLER / OLDS

That Council:

1. Rescinds the current Advocacy Policy; and
2. Adopts the revised Advocacy Policy as set out at Attachment 1 to this report.

carried unanimously

5.4 GRANTS INWARDS STATUS UPDATE REPORT 60
 F&BS | 63/8/12-07 | #7846586

ZEIGER / OLDS

That Council notes the Grants Inwards Status Update Report.

carried unanimously

5.5 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 27 MARCH 2026 72
 F&BS | 63/17/2-01 | #7847429

MOLLER / COGHLAN

That Council notes the financial performance report for the period ended 27 March 2026.

carried unanimously

5.6 QUARTER 3 OPERATIONAL PLAN AND CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM 2025-26 PROGRESS REPORTS 95
 POP | 83/3/1-01 | #7706690

OLDS / TIM

That Council notes the Quarter 3 Operational Plan and Capital Works Program 2025-26 Progress Reports

carried unanimously

5.7 MINUTES CAIRNS WATER SECURITY (CWS) STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 31 MARCH 2026 125
 CIA | 63/5/3-03 | #7497390v20

TICKNER / MOLLER

That Council endorses the minutes of the Cairns Water Security (CWS) Steering Committee meeting held 31 March 2026.

carried unanimously

5.8 SPECIALIST OPERATIONAL AND CAPITAL WORKS – TENDER CONSIDERATION PLAN FOR VARIOUS PROJECTS 133
 CIA | 63/14/4 | #7797016

ZEIGER / OLDS

That Council:

- 1 Resolves to adopt the Tender Consideration Plan under procurement exemption, section 230 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* to enable the engagement of specialist suppliers and contractors for operational, capital and disaster recovery works, and this TCP is to remain in place for five years from date of resolution;**

- 2 Notes that this Tender Consideration Plan updates previously approved Tender Consideration Plans, with the key changes being the inclusion of additional specialist contractors to reflect current market availability and capability requirements and confirmation of an extended timeframe to enable completion of all required activities across multiple project types; and
- 3. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to enter into contracts, finalise and negotiate any and all matters relating to these projects, including engagement of additional specialist contractors, subject to normal procurement practices and policies.

carried unanimously

5.9 COUNCIL TO CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER DELEGATIONS..... 142
 POP | 65/9/2 | #7856431

OLDS / COGHLAN

That Council:

- 1. Adopts the changes to the powers delegated to the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009* as detailed in Attachment 1.
- 2. Recognises the powers that are unable to be delegated as detailed in Attachment 2.
- 3. Adopts the ‘Register of Delegations – Council the Chief Executive Officer’, consolidating the changes in Attachment 1 with the existing delegations in Attachment 3, which details all powers both delegated and not delegated, pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*.
- 4. Adopts the conditions and limitations to the exercising of delegated powers outlined in Attachment 4.
- 5. Authorises the Mayor to sign the Instrument of Delegation in accordance with section 27A(3) of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*.

carried unanimously

**5.10 TENURE ARRANGEMENTS – LEASE AND MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT
 OVER PART OF LOT 12 ON RP835454, 60-64 GORDON STREET –
 GORDONVALE – DIVISION 1 987**
 PGS | 19/28/115 | #7833268

MOLLER / TICKNER

That Council:

1. Gives approval to enter into a freehold lease with The Mulgrave Central Mill Company Pty Ltd (Lessor) over part of lot 12 on RP835454, 60-64 Gordon Street, Gordonvale;
2. Gives approval to enter into a management agreement with the Mulgrave Shire Historical Society Inc trading as the Mulgrave Settlers Museum over part of lot 12 on RP835454, 60-64 Gordon Street, Gordonvale; and
3. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 2009* to negotiate and finalise all matters associated with the lease and management agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions herein.

carried unanimously

- 5.11 SUBMISSION TO THE INQUIRY INTO THE TRANSPORT AND OTHER LEGISLATION (MANAGING E-MOBILITY USE AND PROTECTING OUR COMMUNITIES) AMENDMENT BILL 2026..... 995**
 PGS | 71/2/1 | #7860176

OLDS / COGHLAN

That Council:

1. Endorses the attached submission to the Inquiry into the Transport and Other Legislation (Managing E-mobility Use and Protecting Our Communities) Amendment Bill 2026; and
2. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to manage any matters arising in relation to the Inquiry.

carried with Councillors Eden, Tickner, Pyne and Middleton voting against the motion.

6. URGENT BUSINESS NOT ON THE AGENDA

NIL

7. CLOSED SESSION – OFFICERS’ REPORTS

OLDS / MOLLER

AT 10:15 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
PREJUDICIAL MATTER - SUPPORT FOR MAJOR EVENT EDA 52/1/16 #7842741	<i>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</i>	254J(3)(g)
PREJUDICIAL MATTER - PROJECT LAUNCH APPROVALS: 601268 BAYVIEW 1 RESERVOIR ROOF REPLACEMENT AND 601271 BRINSMEAD RESERVOIR ROOF REPLACEMENT CIA 50/9/16-01 #7846733	<i>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</i>	254J(3)(g)

carried unanimously

AT 10:18 AM COUNCIL RESOLVED TO MOVE OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

MOLLER / TICKNER

carried unanimously

RESOLUTIONS ARISING FROM MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION.

7.1 PREJUDICIAL MATTER – SUPPORT FOR MAJOR EVENT 1009
EDA | 52/1/16 | #7842741

OLDS / COGHLAN

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. Supports a new Major Event being secured in Cairns for 2026 by:**
 - a. Approving a cash contribution from Council of up to \$75,000 (ex GST) to the event.**

- b. **Approving TTNQ to utilise up to \$75,000 (ex GST) of the 2025/26 Event Funding allocation specified in Item 4 of its Resource and Performance Agreement 2025-2029 with Council to make a cash contribution to the event; 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

**7.2 PREJUDICIAL MATTER – PROJECT LAUNCH APPROVALS: 601268
BAYVIEW 1 RESERVOIR ROOF REPLACEMENT AND 601271
BRINSMEAD RESERVOIR ROOF REPLACEMENT 1017
CIA | 50/9/16-01 | #7846733**

MOLLER / ZEIGER

That Council:

- 1. Approves the Project Launch Approvals (PLA) for Project 601268 Bayview 1 Reservoir Roof Replacement and Project 601271 Brinsmead Reservoir Roof Replacement, with a combined Project Launch Budget (PLB) of \$24,000,000 (ex. GST) and an Approved End Date (AED) of 30 June 2027; and**
- 2. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to enter into contract, negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this contract subject to Council’s normal procurement policies and practices.**

carried unanimously

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10:20 AM

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting held on
Wednesday 13th May 2026