

# **ORDINARY MEETING**

***Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2023***

***changed to***

***Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023***

***and changed by the Councillors to***

***Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023***

***at 10.00 am***

***Council Board Room***



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## Item 1 - Declaration of Opening

On establishing there is a quorum, the Chair will declare the meeting open.

## Item 2 - Condolences

A Minutes Silence will be held for departed Community Members.

## Item 3 - Record of Attendance and Leave of Absence

### Elected Members

Mayor Myron Johnny  
Cr. Antoinette Diamond  
Cr. Elijah Douglas  
Cr. Athol Walden  
Cr. Carlene Logan

### Staff

Marilou McKay – Director Corporate Services (ZOOM Meeting to present her report)  
Craig Oxlade - Director Economic and Community Development to present verbal Director of Engineering report in the absence of CEO due to him being on annual leave.  
Craig Oxlade – Director Economic and Community Development (to present his report)  
Pam Danaher - Minute Taker (Remote)

### Absentees

Troy Fraser – Chief Executive Officer – on Annual Leave

## Item 4 - Obligations of Councillors

### 4.1 PRESCRIBED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Pursuant to Chapter 5B, Part 2 Section 150EG when a Councillor has a prescribed conflict of interest – particular gifts or loans

- (1) A Councillor has a prescribed conflict of interest in a matter if –
  - (a) A gift or a loan is given by an entity (the donor) that has an interest in the matter in a circumstance mentioned in subsection (2); and
  - (b) The gift or loan is given during the relevant term for the Councillor; and
  - (c) All gifts, loans or sponsored travel or accommodation benefits under Section 150EH given by the donor to the Councillor, or a close associate of the Councillor, during the Councillor's relevant term total \$2,000 or more.
- (2) For subsection (1)(a), the circumstances are –
  - (a) Where –
    - (i) The donor gives the gift or loan to the Councillor; and
    - (ii) The gift or loan is required to be the subject of a return under the Local Government Electoral Act, Part 6; or
  - (b) Where –
    - (i) The donor gives the gift or loan to a group of candidates for an election when the Councillor is a member of the group, or a political party that endorses the Councillor for an election; and

- (ii) The Councillor is a candidate in the election; and
  - (iii) The gift or loan is required to be the subject of a return under the Local Government Electoral Act, Part 6 or the Electoral Act Part 11 Division 11; or
- (c) Where the donor gives a gift to the Councillor, or a close associate of the Councillor, other than in a circumstance mentioned in paragraph (a) or (b).
- (2A) Subsection (3) applies for gifts or loans given by a donor –
  - (a) To a group of candidates when the Councillor is a member of the group; or
  - (b) To a political party that endorses the Councillor.
- (3) For working out the total gifts or loans given by the donor for subsection (1)(a), the amount of each gift or loan given to the group or political party must first be divided by –
  - (a) For a group of candidates for an election – the total number of candidates in the group stated in the record of the membership of the group under the Local Government Electoral Act 2011, Section 41; or
  - (b) For a political party endorsing the candidate for an election – the total number of candidates endorsed by the political party in Queensland on the nomination day for the election under the Local Government Electoral Act 2011.

**Pursuant to Chapter 5B, Part 2 Section 150EH when a Councillor has a prescribed conflict of interest – sponsored travel or accommodation benefits**

- (1) A Councillor has a prescribed conflict of interest in a matter if –
  - (a) A sponsored travel or accommodation benefit is given by an entity (the donor) that has an interest in the matter to –
    - (i) The Councillor; or
    - (ii) A close associate of the Councillor; and
  - (b) The sponsored travel or accommodation benefit is given –
    - (i) During the relevant term for the Councillor; and
    - (ii) While the Councillor holds office as Councillor; and
  - (c) All gifts, loans or sponsored travel or accommodation benefits given by the donor to the Councillor or close associate during the Councillor's relevant term total \$2,000.00 or more.
- (1A) Section 150EG(2A) and (3) applies for working out the total gifts or loans given by the donor for subsection (1)(c).
- (2) In this section –

Employment-related or upgraded, in relation to a person's travel or accommodation, means –

  - (a) The travel or accommodation is paid for by the State or a local government; or
  - (b) The travel or accommodation –
    - (i) Is undertaken or used by the person in the course of the person's employment; and
    - (ii) Is contributed to, whether financially or non-financially, by the person's employer; or
  - (c) If the person is a director or a corporation – the travel or accommodation –
    - (i) Is undertaken or used by the person in the course of carrying out the person's duties as a director; and
    - (ii) Is contributed to, whether financially or non-financially, by the corporation; or
  - (d) If the travel is airline travel – an upgrade to the travel is given by the provider of the travel for no charge; or  
*(example – a free air travel upgrade to business class)*
  - (e) An upgrade to the accommodation is given by the provider of the accommodation for no charge.  
*(example – a free accommodation upgrade to a larger room)*

Sponsored travel or accommodation benefit, received by a person, means travel or accommodation undertaken or used by the person, other than employment-related or upgraded travel or accommodation, if –

  - (a) Another entity contributed, whether financially or non-financially, to the cost of the travel or accommodation; and
  - (b) The other entity is not the person's spouse, other family member or friend.

**Pursuant to Chapter 5B, Part 2 Section 150EI when a Councillor has a prescribed conflict of interest – other**

A Councillor has a prescribed conflict of interest in a matter if –

- (a) The matter is or relates to a contract between the Local Government and the Councillor, or a close associate of the Councillor, for –
  - (i) The supply of goods or services to the Local Government; or
  - (ii) The lease or sale of assets by the Local Government; or
- (aa) a person who is being considered for appointment as the Chief Executive Officer of the Local Government is a close associate of the Council and the matters is or relates to the appointment of the person; or
- (b) The Chief Executive Officer is a close associate of the Councillor and the matter is or relates to the appointment, discipline, termination, remuneration or other employment conditions of the Chief Executive Officer; or
- (c) The matter is or relates to an application made to the Local Government for the grant of a licence, permit, registration or approval or consideration of another matter under a Local Government Act, if –
  - (i) The application was made to the Local Government by the Councillor or a close associate of the Councillor; or
  - (ii) The Councillor or a close associate of the Councillor makes or has made a written submission to the Local Government in relation to the Application before it is or was decided.

**4.2 DECLARABLE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

**Pursuant to Chapter 5B, Part 3 Section 150EN What is a declarable conflict of interest**

Subject to section 150EO, a Councillor has a declarable conflict of interest in a matter if -

- (a) The Councillor has, or could reasonably be presumed to have, a conflict between the Councillor's personal interests, or the personal interests of a related party of the Councillor, and the public interest; and
- (b) Because of the conflict, the Councillor's participation in a decision about the matter might lead to a decision that is contrary to the public interest.

**4.3 COUNCILLORS TO REVIEW EXISTING REGISTER OF INTERESTS AND RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURE**

**Item 5 – Confirmation of Minutes**

**5.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES FOR THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

**Recommendation:** That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Moved:  
Seconded:

**Item 6 – Business Arising from Minutes Previous Meeting**

**6.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

## **ITEM 7 - Visitors and Presentations**

**NIL**

## **Item 8 – Reports**

- 8.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT – No report as CEO on Annual Leave and Councillors changed meeting date from 30<sup>th</sup> November to 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023.**
- 8.2 DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES**
- 8.3 DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING REPORT**
- 8.4 DIRECTOR ENVIRONMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT**
- 8.5 COUNCILLORS VERBAL REPORTS**

## **8.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT**

**No report as CEO was to attend Meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> November and it was changed by the Councillors and he was still on Annual Leave and could not return for the meeting.**

**For Council’s information**



## 8.2 DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

**REPORT AUTHOR(S)** Marilou McKay, Director Corporate Services  
**REPORT APPROVED BY** Troy Fraser  
**DEPARTMENT** Corporate Services

### 8.2.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PROVIDED BY MARILOU MCKAY

This monthly report illustrates the financial performance and position of Doomadgee Shire Council compared to its adopted Budget for the 2023-24 financial year as at the end of October 2023 ([attached](#)).

**Recommendation:** That the Financial Statements attached to the report of the Director of Corporate Services for November 2023 be received and noted.

Moved:  
Seconded:

**Recommendation:** That Council receive and take note of the Financial Report for November 2023.

Moved:  
Seconded:

### **8.3 DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING REPORT**

**REPORT PRESENTER:** Verbal report of Craig Oxlade, Director Economic and Community Development in the absence of Troy Fraser, Chief Executive Officer on Annual Leave

**REPORT APPROVED BY:**  
**DEPARTMENT:** Infrastructure and Building Works

#### **8.3.1 INDIGENOUS COUNCILS CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (ICCIP)** Department of Local Government Racing and Multicultural Affairs update

For Council's Information.

#### **8.3.2 \$105M COMMONWEALTH INVESTMENT PROGRAM 2021 - 2023 DOOMADGEE PORTION - \$6,962,951 SOCIAL HOUSES AND SUBDIVISION AT MARRADGEE ROAD, DOOMADGEE**

For Council's Information.

#### **8.3.3 QUEENSLAND RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY (NDRRA)**

For Council's Information.

#### **8.3.4 FUTURE WATER SECURITY AND SEWERAGE TREATMENT**

For Council's Information.

#### **8.3.5 COMMUNITY HOUSING FENCING PROJECT**

For Council's Information.

#### **8.3.6 TRAINING**

For Council's Information.

#### **8.3.7 WORKS CREWS**

For Council's Information.

#### **8.3.8 RIVERSIDE SHARED CYCLEWAY**

For Council's Information.

#### **8.3.9 CEMETERY PROJECTS**

For Council's Information.

#### **8.3.10 SOLAR LIGHTS**

For Council's Information.

### **8.3.11 STREET SIGNS**

**For Council's Information.**

### **8.3.12 OTHER**

**For Council's Information.**

**Recommendation:** That Council receive and take note of the Engineering Report for November 2023.

Moved:  
Seconded:

## **8.4 DIRECTOR ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

**REPORT AUTHOR(S)** Craig Oxlade, Director Economic & Community Development

**REPORT APPROVED BY**

**DEPARTMENT**

**Economic and Community Development**

### **8.4.1 MEETINGS, NETWORKING AND TRAINING ATTENDED**

Ngooderi JV Meeting

Meridian Urban / Circ Design – Design Team

Orange Sky – Judith Meiklejohn, re laundry and drying facilities for Doomadgee

Mt Isa District Disaster Management Group Meeting (DDMG) – Jeff Magnus

Brad Wheeler – Department of Regional Development Manufacturing and Water regulator

54 Reasons – Youth Meeting Co-design

Hannah Burton - Vet

Normal Service Provider Meeting

James Cook – SES Grant Funding

Doomadgee Technical Working Group Meeting

Christine Watson – Skills for Employment Investment Program (SEIP) and Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP)

North West Queensland Regional Organisation Regional Councils (NWQROC) – monthly meeting via TEAMS

Alex Hood – Project Manager - Dept State Development

Walking Local Government Grants – Seminar

State Libraries Queensland / Digital Economy – Louise Denoon

Tamara Hallet – Peak Services - grant follow ups.

**For Council's Information.**

### **8.4.2 GRANTS AND FUNDING INFORMATION**

- Sporting Minor Infrastructure Grant – Lighting upgrade
- RACQ – Field upgrade
- SES – Vehicle Grant
- Mural Grant – Sport & Recreation building

**For Council's Information.**

### **8.4.3 YOUTH ENGAGEMENT HUB AND SPORT AND RECREATION**

Youth Services Coordinator

- Attended meetings with 54 Reasons staff to commence collaboration on Indigenous Youth Connections to Culture (IYCC) planning.
- Attend training course with Hockey Queensland in Cairns
- Attended Substance Abuse Training – Youth Empowered Towards Independence (YETI) Cairns
- Reporting – Youth Hub / Youth Strategy / Sport & Recreation

Youth Hub

- Youth Hub staff have continued to deliver services in conjunction with Sport & Recreation, staff from the Sport and Recreation complex as Council awaits funding to repair and reinstate the Youth Hub building.

#### Sport and Recreation

- Sport and Recreation has engaged two new staff to assist with afternoon operations.
- Taekwondo Sport continues to deliver training to the 15 enrolled students.
- Attended Substance Abuse Training with Youth Empowered Towards Independence (YETI) Cairns
- Attended Hockey Coaching/Playing training – Hockey Queensland
- Attended meetings with 54 Reasons staff - collaboration for “On Country” camps.
- Afternoon Sport programs.

#### **For Council’s Information.**

#### **8.4.4 RADIO**

- Breakfast Show (Daily) 7.00 am - 10.00 am
- Council to Community update
- Live radio interviews for the month: Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council / Queensland Health / Gidgee Healing / Doomadgee State School and Orange Sky.

#### **For Council’s Information.**

#### **8.4.5 ANIMAL MANAGEMENT, ENVIRONMENT & BIO SECURITY**

- Vet Visit 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> October – successful visit with 187 animals treated with parasite treatments and 20 surgeries performed.
- Increased number of young animals being brought into town i.e., foals/calves
- Officer attended training for weed management in Karumba.
- Assist with kerb and channel cleaning.
- Cat trapping and euthanizing – current drive
- Food Safety Training – Mt Isa with Jacob Handley,

#### **For Council’s Information.**

#### **8.4.6 CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

- Cross Cultural Awareness celebrated its 12 month anniversary by delivering a course to 7 students
- Bereavement services have been busy with several funerals planned for coming weeks
- Health Council Meeting
- Community Action Group meetings
- ABC Interview
- Follow up billing to Birkin Svensen Funeral Directors
- Orange Sky.

#### **For Council’s information.**

#### **8.4.7 COMMUNITY SERVICES**

- Distribute sponsorship request letters for the Community Christmas Party
- Catering for Cultural Awareness Anniversary Course
- Relieving absentee staff
- Orange Sky – support Erica
- Working with Tamara Hallet, Peak Services to obtain letters of support for grant applications

- Assist with Chrisco distribution
- Finalising NAIDOC events and acquittals
- BBQ Trailer - <https://www.foodtrailerking.com.au/club-special-food-trailer/>.

**For Council's information.**

**8.4.8 OTHER**

Nil

**Recommendation:** That Council receive and take note of the Director Economic & Community Development Report for November 2023.

Moved:  
Seconded:

## 8.5 COUNCILLORS VERBAL REPORT

**Recommendation:** That Council receive and take note of Councillors Verbal Report for November 2023.

Moved:

Seconded:

**LUNCH BREAK** -

**pm**

A luncheon break was called at            pm.

Council Meeting resumed at            pm.



**ITEM 9 - CORRESPONDENCE**

**NIL**

**ITEM 10 - GENERAL BUSINESS**

**NIL**

## ITEM 11 - LATE ITEMS

Any matters of Late Items will be provided with the Minutes of the Council Meeting.

**Recommendation:** That Council receive and take note of the Late Items presented to the November 2023 Council Meeting and note that the report is provided in the Minutes of this Council Meeting.

Moved:  
Seconded:

**ITEM 12 - CONFIDENTIAL SESSION**

**NIL**

**ITEM 13 - NEXT MEETING**

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2023

**ITEM 14 - MEETING CLOSED**

Meeting closed at            pm.