

MINUTES

Time: 9.15am

Venue: Microsoft (TEAMS) | Meeting ID: 489 019 723 71 | Passcode: QutKVv

PRESENT:

Cr Phillemon Mosby Mayor

Division 1 - Boigu Cr Dimas Toby – joined meeting at 10.25am Division 2 - Dauan Cr Torenzo Elisala – joined meeting at 9.30am

Division 3 - Saibai Cr Chelsea Aniba Division 5 – Badu / **Deputy Mayor** Cr Ranetta Wosomo

Division 6 – Arkai Cr Iona Manas – joined meeting at 9.30am

Division 7 - Wug (St. Pauls), Mua Island Cr John Levi – internet connectivity issues

Division 8 – Kirirri (Hammond Island) Cr Seriako Dorante Cr Aggie Hankin - joined meeting at 9.30am Division 9 - Iama

Division 10 - Warraber Cr Kabay Tamu Cr Francis Pearson Division 11 - Poruma Division 13 - Ugar Cr Rocky Stephen Division 14 - Erub Cr Nixon Mye

Division 15 – Mer Cr Bob Kaigey - joined meeting at 9.40am

APOLOGIES:

Division 4 - Mabuiag Cr Keith Fell – Prior commitments Division 12 - Masig Cr Ted Mosby – personal leave

OFFICERS:

Chief Executive Officer

Executive Director Building Services Mr Wayne Green **Executive Director Community Services** Mr Dawson Sailor **Executive Director Corporate Services** Ms Susanne Andres Executive Director Engineering Services Mr David Baldwin **Executive Director Financial Services** Ms Hollie Faithfull

DOGIT Transfer, Land Tenure and Native Title Advisor

Manager Governance & Risk

Preston Law

Executive Assistant to the Mayor

TSIRC Secretariat

TSIRC Secretariat Support

Ms Joanne Bryant Ms Kim Kerwin

Mr James William

Mr Julian Bodenmann

Ms Trudy Lui Mr Darryl Brooks Ms Julie Marino

A. WELCOME & QUORUM CONFIRMATION | ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS | OPENING PRAYER | OBSERVANCES

At 9.15am the Mayor formally opened the December 2024 Trustee Council meeting, noting that a quorum of members was present.

The Mayor welcomed attendees and made the following acknowledgements:

- Our Heavenly Father for His awesome wisdom, knowledge, understanding, favour and blessings upon our lives, our families, our region and people and our Council;
- The Traditional Custodians throughout the length and breadth of Zenadth Kes and the communities and constituents that Council serves;
- The Traditional Custodians of Kaurareg and Cairns who host elements of the TSIRC footprint;
- The Traditional Custodians of other lands throughout Queensland and other parts of Australia where TSIRC staff work remotely; and
- All Elders and Leaders past, present and emerging as well as the collective leadership of other representative organisations across the Torres Strait.

The Mayor also conveyed to those members of the Torres Strait Islander community throughout the homelands and on the Australian mainland who may be observing Sorry Business at this time, the thoughts, prayers and well wishes of Council.

Cr Francis Pearson delivered the opening prayer and this was followed by a Minute of Silence for reflection.

B. NOTING OF APOLOGIES

The following apologies were accepted by Council:

Division	Councillor/Reason	Mover/Seconder
Division 4 – Mabulag	Cr Keith Fell – Prior commitment	CR ANIBA/CR WOSOMO
Division 12 – Masig	Cr Ted Mosby – personal leave	CR TAMU/CR MANAS

C. CONFLICT OF INTEREST (COI) DECLARATIONS

The Mayor advised that he had received no COI declarations from Councillors in relation to this month's agenda items and invited Councillors to declare any Conflict of Interest matters.

Cr Kabay Tamu declared a COI in relation Agenda Item 3 (Warraber – Social Housing Indigenous Land Use Agreement) as he was the Chairperson of the local PBC.

D. LIVE STREAM

The Mayor advised Council that this meeting is being LIVE STREAMED on Council's YouTube Channel and welcomed members of the general public who may be viewing proceedings.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (15 November 2024)

#T24-28/2024-12/1

CR MYE / CR WOSOMO

Council (as Trustee) confirms the Minutes of the Trustee Meeting held on 15 November 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.1. UPDATE ON ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Chief Executive Officer (Mr James William) spoke to this item and the update was noted by Council.

2. RESOLUTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

#T24-28/2024-12/2

CR STEPHEN / CR ELISALA

Council (as Trustee) resolves to close the meeting to the public pursuant to section 84 of the *Local Government Act 2009* to allow the Trustee to discuss items listed on the agenda for closed discussion and for the reasons outlined under those items.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Prior to the commencement of discussion of Agenda Item 3, Cr Tamu dialed-out of the Trustee Council meeting at 9.40am in accordance with his declared COI.

3. WARRABER – SOCIAL HOUSING INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT (ILUA)

[Reason for Closed Discussion: on the basis that public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the trustee council, as these matters involve:

- legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government
- 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.]

#T24-28/2024-12/3

CR ANIBA / CR DORANTE

Council (as Trustee):

- (a) notes that negotiations are underway for a Social Housing Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) to construct social housing on part of Lot 903 SP270859; and
- (b) resolves to enter into the Social Housing ILUA under Part 2 Division 3 of the *Native Title*Act 1993(NTA), over all or some of the lots as agreed to in the negotiations; and
- (c) delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to negotiate on behalf of Council, the terms and conditions of the ILUA, satisfactory to the Chief Executive Officer, and execute the ILUA on Council's behalf.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Following resolution of the above decision, Cr Tamu was invited to rejoin the meeting and did so at 10.00am.

4. MABUIAG – SOCIAL HOUSING INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT (ILUA)

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- legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government
- 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.]

#T24-28/2024-12/4

CR DORANTE / CR WOSOMO

Council (as Trustee):

- (a) resolves to enter into a Social Housing Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) under Part 2 Division3 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (NTA), to construct social houses on Lot 89 on SP273192 and Lot 64 onSP273192, Mabuiag; and
- (b) delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to negotiate on behalf of Council, the terms and conditions of the ILUA, satisfactory to the Chief Executive Officer, and execute the ILUA on Council's behalf; and
- (c) delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to decide appropriate alternatives if the ILUA negotiations are not successful.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. RESOLUTION TO RETURN THE MEETING TO OPEN DISCUSSION

#T24-28/2024-12/5

CR ANIBA / CR TAMU

Council (as Trustee) resolves to move out of closed discussions pursuant to Section 84 of the Local Government Act 2009.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Trustee meeting was suspended from 10.35am to 10.45am for morning tea.

6. CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

Council (as Trustee) formally resolved as detailed in Agenda Items 3 and 4 above.

7. ITEMS ARISING

Nil.

8. NEXT MEETING - 29 JANUARY 2025 (Microsoft TEAMS)

Noted by Council (as Trustee).

9. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Mayor closed the Trustee Council meeting at 10.35am.

MINUTES CONFIRMED – 29 January 2025

Cr Phillemon Mosby

Mayor

Torres Strait Island Regional Council

Date: 29 January 2025

James William

Chief Executive Officer

Torres Strait Island Regional Council

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