

Council Member
Councillor Martin

2020/00150
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Contact Officer:
Clare Mockler, Deputy CEO &
Director Culture

MOTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Martin will move a motion and seek a seconder for the matter shown below to facilitate consideration by the Council:

'That Council:

Acknowledges the leadership of the Prospect Council and asks the Administration to prepare for consideration at a Special Meeting of Council on May 26th at 5.30pm a package of measures like that adopted by the neighbouring LGA to assist small business and residents that;

1. Allows businesses employing 100 people or fewer forced to close by Federal or State Government direction to apply to have their rates waived (or refunded, if previously paid) for the duration of their full closure. Tenants of the City of Adelaide who have received rental relief will not be eligible for the rate relief while also receiving free rent.
2. Extends to businesses employing 100 people or fewer, which have continued to trade and can demonstrate a decline in trade of 30% or more, a waiving of 50% of rates (or refund, if previously paid) for the duration of the decline and/or up to September 30th, 2020. Tenants of the City of Adelaide who have received rental relief will not be eligible for the rate relief while also receiving free rent.
3. Waives Park Lands lease and licence fees for all amateur sporting clubs or community groups until September 30th, 2020.
4. Provides food vouchers to the value of \$30 each week for use at City and North Adelaide restaurants and cafes for residents who apply for such vouchers and who are identified as "vulnerable" or "needy". The measure should operate until September 30, 2020 and the total expenditure for such food assistance should not exceed \$1 million.'

ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

1. Due to the nature of Covid-19 restrictions, it is difficult to determine how many businesses have been forced to close by State or Federal Government restrictions, have chosen to close by their own choice, or who are pivoting their business to tap into new revenue streams.
 - 1.1 Based on information available sourced from the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), we are unable to determine the number of businesses that employ less than 100 employees.
 - 1.2 A medium size business is classified as 20-199 employees and there are 654 businesses that fall into this category in the City of Adelaide.
2. Information around businesses who have experienced a decline in trade of 30% or more is difficult to determine without additional resources being expended if deemed useful to collect.

- 2.1 The State Government is already awarding \$10,000 Emergency Cash Grants for small businesses and not-for-profit entities that employ South Australians who have been highly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic to support the operation of their business. The grant is being funded from the State Government's \$650 million Jobs Rescue Package.
- 2.2 The City of Adelaide's current rates hardship provisions allow all ratepayers to make an application for rate relief. A rates waiver could be considered, if agreed by Council as a policy decision during Covid-19 and based on evidence provided by the applicant as part of the hardship application process.
3. We continue to monitor the impact of the COVID-19 restrictions and the advice provided by the Federal and State Governments in terms of future relaxation of the current restrictions. Prior to any extension of the current City Support package, a report will be brought back to Council on the 14 July 2020 for consideration which will reflect those tenants who are operational and non-operational, the current restrictions that they work under and the financial impact of any decision of Council. July 2020 invoices will be placed on hold until Council determines its position.
4. We have been working with established charities and service organisations whose main purpose is to identify and assist 'vulnerable' people through the provision of essential meals or food items. These organisations already have connections with those identified as 'vulnerable' or 'needy' within our community and are set up to deliver services that provide appropriate support. Council can support these organisations to deliver their services through the provision of Quick Response Grants up to \$2,000 to each organisation.
 - 4.1. Administration has been connecting our more vulnerable residents with Human Appeal Australia (Good Social Café) who have been providing free hampers that include essential items.

Socially Distanced Dining Options

ITEM 15.10 12/05/2020
Council

Council Member
Councillor Martin

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Contact Officer:
Clare Mockler, Deputy CEO &
Director Culture

MOTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Martin will move a motion and seek a seconder for the matter shown below to facilitate consideration by the Council:

'That Council;

Having regard to the eventual reopening of hospitality venues, asks the Administration to provide advice on the feasibility and costs of;

1. Offering to, where possible, extend the footprint currently allocated to outdoor dining areas for food sellers including cafes and restaurants to allow the placement of tables and chairs to assist in boosting patronage in a manner that accommodates mandated social distancing.
2. Closing streets in the City and North Adelaide, for example, Rundle Street and O'Connell Street, for socially distanced dining on one or multiple occasions to mark the reopening of venues and to assist hospitality businesses.'

ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

1. In anticipation of the Government restrictions being lifted, we have been in discussions with the State Government and recently wrote to the CEO of the Department of Premier and Cabinet advising that we are exploring a number of options for hospitality venues and seeking their support in facilitating them. The options we are discussing with State Government include:
 1. options for small bars and businesses, who may have limited indoor space, to be able to use outside space adjacent their premises so that they can reopen and adhere to social distancing requirements.
 2. activating laneways and/or temporarily closing sections of streets to allow for outdoor dining, shopping, entertainment and other activities.
 3. supporting businesses to adhere to social distancing requirements and comply with liquor licensing regulations by temporarily altering the number of patrons able to gather outside a licenced venue.
2. The Recovery and Reimagine working group will explore activating city streets and laneways, building on our history of successful activations using road closures in support of city businesses (e.g. East End Unleashed), subject to the relaxation of social distancing regulations.
3. Notwithstanding that we can only speculate at this stage what the parameters of the reduced restrictions will be and whether extending the outdoor dining footprint will meet them, extending the outdoor dining footprint for hospitality businesses on the footpath is feasible in locations where there is space to safely do so and where the adjacent business is supportive (noting that in some locations the adjacent business may also be a hospitality venue). In circumstances where extending the footprint on the footpath is not feasible, the road

would need to be used but there may be some locations where this is not feasible to do safely either. We would assess this on a case by case basis with the view to supporting an extended footprint wherever possible.

4. Given we do not currently charge outdoor dining fees, there would be no cost associated with extending the outdoor dining footprint, except in the event of the road needing to be used as there would be costs associated with partial or full road closures.
5. Should any or all of these initiatives proceed, we can provide Council with the costs associated with implementing them.

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Council Member
Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor
Hyde)

Contact Officer:
Clare Mockler, Deputy CEO &
Director Culture

MOTION ON NOTICE

Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Hyde) will move a motion and seek a seconder for the matter shown below to facilitate consideration by the Council:

'That Council:

1. Includes in its upcoming integrated business plan funding to fight homelessness that is equivalent to the funding which remained unspent per the decision of Council on 12 March 2019 that allocated \$200,000 towards implementing the findings of Dame Louise Casey's IGH report.
2. Places the same requirement for co-contributions from the State Government to be provided to enliven the delivery of this funding.'

ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

1. The City of Adelaide has a Strategic Partnership with the Don Dunstan Foundation to deliver project coordination for the Adelaide Zero Project that ends on 31 December 2020. The value of this partnership is \$477,000 over three years.
2. In February 2019, Dame Louise Casey released a service review making recommendations for improvement of the homelessness system in the City and to strengthen the Adelaide Zero Project's progress towards its goal of Functional Zero street homelessness. In March 2019, Council agreed to contribute \$200,000 towards implementing these recommendations. This funding was contingent on additional State Government funding to enable all the report recommendations to be implemented - this additional funding was not supported by the State Government.
3. The City of Adelaide subsequently committed a total of \$105,000 for two related projects:
 - 3.1. \$45,000 to fund a feasibility for inner city service coordination (co-funded with the State Government - \$45,000 each)
 - 3.2. \$60,000 to support the Adelaide Zero Project to progress work on supporting mobile Aboriginal communities.
4. The remaining \$95,000, which was unallocated and unspent, is an identified saving in the City of Adelaide Quarter Three Financial and Performance Report to help offset reduced income as a result of COVID-19 and manage Council's cashflow.
5. If this motion is supported, \$95,000 will need to be allocated in the 20/21 Integrated Business Plan and budget.
6. We will also notify State Government about this decision and seek further financial contributions to enable the implementation of the recommendations in Dame Louise Casey's IGH report.

Continuous Park Lands Trail

ITEM 15.13 12/05/2020
Council

Council Member
Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor
Hyde)

2019/00951
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Contact Officer:
Klinton Devenish, Director Place

MOTION ON NOTICE

Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Hyde) will move a motion and seek a seconder for the matter shown below to facilitate consideration by the Council:

That Council:

1. Notes that there has been the development of a proposal for a continuous walking and cycling track throughout the Adelaide Park Lands which, in addition to unlocking physical and mental wellbeing benefits, aims to heighten the cultural, artistic and heritage standing of the Park Lands, potentially unlocking significant tourism benefits and increasing usage by South Australian locals.
2. Requests the Administration engage with the progenitor(s) of this proposal and assist with its further development with a view to strengthening it and presenting it alongside and as a part of the vital economic recovery planning work being undertaken by the City of Adelaide.'

ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

1. The Park Lands Trail is an approximately 18-kilometre long path that circulates the city and North Adelaide through the Park Lands. Most of the trail is a shared use path through the Park Lands, designed for use by people walking and riding bikes. There are also short sections of quiet streets in North Adelaide that connect between Park Lands.
2. The Park Lands Trail was constructed in ten stages, each costing between \$300k and \$600k, with the final stage completed in 2016/17. In general, funding for the construction has been shared equally between the City of Adelaide and the State Government, with Council responsible for undertaking ongoing maintenance and asset renewal.
3. The trail is well used by the community for recreation, with some sections of the trail also forming important commuter connections. The trail is promoted on Council's website and on maps as a means of exploring the city in a safe and relaxing way.
4. The Park Lands trail currently offers significant health and wellbeing benefits the community by offering an opportunity to be active in a safe environment and connecting directly to nature by experiencing a variety of Park Land environments.

5. Whilst the Park Lands Trail currently provides a continuous path around the Park Lands, there are a series of issues that impact the user experience, such as road safety concerns, lack of legibility and condition of the path. The user experience would be improved if these issues were addressed. Consideration of complementary elements (such as seating, lighting, artwork and local cultural and environmental information) would enhance the user experience further and could elevate the Park Lands Trail into an iconic tourism and recreation experience.
6. The Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy 2015-2025 (APLMS) describes the Park Lands Trail as 'one of the most important unifying elements that ties the Park Lands together'. The APLMS includes a Park Lands Trail 'Big Move' to 'Complete the trail and improve the route and crossing points and wayfinding signage. Provide avenue planting, lighting and activity hubs at appropriate points along the route'.
7. The APLMS also includes a strategy (2.1) to 'Improve the Park Lands Trail linking all parks and providing a pleasant and convenient cycling and walking route', and a series of actions to achieve this. Actions include completing the Park Land Trail to a consistently high standard along its entire length, provide supporting facilities along the trail and improve legibility.
8. If this motion is supported, we will:
 - a. Engage with the third party that has developed the proposal to develop and enhance the Park Lands Trail.
 - b. Work to develop a plan to further strengthen the Park Lands Trail so that it may develop its full potential as an iconic recreation and tourism experience for the city. This plan would be consistent with the Big Move, strategies and actions in the APLMS.
 - c. Integrate the Park Lands Trail development into the recovery planning work being undertaken by the City of Adelaide. The plan would also be consistent with Council's Integrated Biodiversity Management Plan 2018-2023, in particular Objective 2, "To connect people with nature".
 - d. Continue working with the State Government to develop a funding strategy for the enhancement of the Trail.

Council Member
Councillor Couros

2019/01425
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Contact Officer:
Clare Mockler, Deputy CEO &
Director Culture

MOTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Couros will move a motion and seek a seconder for the matter shown below to facilitate consideration by the Council:

'That Council

1. Notes that South Australia is a host to many vibrant events and festivals which are an important driver for economic development.
2. Notes that these events run intensely and consecutively from January to March each year.
3. Investigates ways the City of Adelaide can be host to more events that showcase the best of our state's food, wine, fashion, art, music and sport all year round throughout the winter months and includes events and festivals that support not only the CBD but also the North and South parts of the city.
4. Ensures events provide support to all the main streets throughout the city and to be included as part of the recovery.
5. Asks the State Government to help support and fund this initiative to support the business community.'

ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

1. The City of Adelaide hosts on average 750 events per annum within its Park Lands, Squares and Streets, with some of these being held within the North and South of the City. Between April and December there are approximately 390 events and 130 between January and March hosted in the City.
2. Through the City of Adelaide Events and Festivals sponsorship program Council provided \$1.67 million in funding to support 24 events throughout 2018/19. Of these, 17 events were held between April and December. Components of some of the events sponsored by Council were held in North and South parts of the city. Combined, these events brought over five million people into the city and generated an economic benefit in excess of \$450m.
3. The summer cluster of arts festivals is nationally dominating due, in part, to the Adelaide Fringe being the largest arts festival in the Country. Clustering events together is proven to create impact and is encouraged, particularly in both winter and spring.
4. We encourage event organisers to work with the Precinct groups to identify opportunities for events to be held within their precinct and support businesses to benefit from these events.
5. We will continue to work closely with the State Government to identify any new events that may be able to be hosted in the City of Adelaide.
6. We will use the Recover + Reimagine project to find opportunities for activation and event activity across the city.

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Director Culture

MOTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Couros will move a motion and seek a seconder for the matter shown below to facilitate consideration by the Council:

'That Council:

Investigate the holding of a Christmas in July event, within the City of Adelaide and to include the north and south precinct main streets, to add vibrancy and activation and to provide support to the business community.'

ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

1. Prior to Covid-19, we commenced planning a Splash Adelaide series of winter activations throughout the City, titled 'Winter Warmers'. The scope includes the north and south precinct main streets, with a focus on adding vibrancy and activation and providing support to the City's business community.
 - 1.1. The Recovery & Re-imagine project is reviewing our events calendar and is investigating opportunities to accelerate events where possible.
2. If this Motion is supported, and subject to the relaxation of State and Federal Government COVID-19 health and safety regulations, we can re-name the 'Winter Warmers' project as 'Christmas in July'.

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Council Member
Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor
Hyde)

Contact Officer:
Klinton Devenish, Director
Place

MOTION ON NOTICE

Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Hyde) will move a motion and seek a seconder for the matter shown below to facilitate consideration by the Council:

That Council:

1. Notes:
 - a. the recent decision of the City's Council Assessment Panel to grant approval for a Development Application to the Hutt Street Centre;
 - b. that at the meeting serious questions as to the current and historical compliance of the Centre's approved land use were raised by objectors and their representors; and,
 - c. that the CAP Members did not feel they were in a position to rule on whether the land use was compliant with one saying *"the representors' expectations of what this panel is able to decide... in terms of things like land use, behaviour and the operation of the Centre is probably above what we actually can [decide]"*
 2. Requests the Administration commission an independent and comprehensive legal review of:
 - a. The current and historical development approvals, particularly the intensity of the land use, of the Hutt Street Centre;
 - b. The impact of the land use on surrounding businesses and residents and council's responsibility in regulating that impact; and
 - c. Whether an increase in the intensity of the land use has extinguished historical existing use rights under previous approvals.
 3. Per the above requests that the review:
 - a. Is undertaken by experienced planning law experts;
 - b. Is completely independent and is conducted at arms' length from the council staff who made or had influence on the recommendation that went to CAP, from the objectors and from the Centre (including any of their corporate or private supporters)
 4. Requests this review is brought back to council for noting in the public agenda, in acknowledgment of the public's right to know of the lawfulness of the land use at this site.'
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ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

1. The Council Assessment Panel (CAP) is an independent body that is set up under the provisions of the *Planning Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* to assess and make decisions on Development Applications based on the relevant provisions of the City of Adelaide Development Plan. Preliminary legal advice notes that it is not the role of Council to investigate the decision-making process of the Council Assessment Panel. Additionally, there is no need for the Council to undertake any immediate legal review. To be involved in the process may be deemed inappropriate given CAP's independent role.
2. Administration has received legal advice that it would be inappropriate to release legal advice in a public council agenda. Irrespective of the contents or basis upon or purposes for which any legal advice is being released (i.e. public interest), the release will waive council's legal privilege. Publishing any legal advice may also compromise other third parties that may decide to pursue the matter through the courts system.
3. Should Council resolve to commission a comprehensive legal review, then Administration will engage an independent experienced planning lawyer or barrister in accordance with the scope of work identified in item 2 of the Motion on Notice.