Protecting Historic and Significant Buildings

ITEM 17.2 11/08/2020 Council

Council Member Councillor Martin

Contact Officer: Klinton Devenish, Director Place

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:

Noting the significant public concern about the protection of the bluestone villa at 197 Childers Street, North Adelaide and the broader issue of the future for similar buildings of architectural or historic significance, requests the Administration prepares a report for its October meeting setting out a strategy by which Council could identify and encourage/seek Local Heritage listing or State Heritage listing for eligible buildings which have no listing or which have been removed from local heritage listing.'

ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

- 1. In November 2019, Council endorsed a draft Heritage Strategy and Action Plan for consultation which recommends under the 'Protection' theme a long-term strategic approach to protect heritage assets including:
 - a. Pursuing improvements to the state's heritage system to enable council to pursue new heritage listings based on merit.
 - b. Identifying gaps in existing heritage lists and 'at risk' places.
 - c. Reviewing existing and pursuing new heritage listings.
- 2. Consultation on the draft Strategy and Action Plan is planned for later in 2020 prior to Council endorsement.
- 3. If this motion is passed a report can be prepared for October however, this would overlap with the heritage strategy.
- 4. The following update is also provided around the dwelling at 197 Childers Street, North Adelaide. This property was recently declined for state heritage listing by the State Heritage Council. The State Heritage Council found:

"James Cyril Stobie is an important South Australian and his invention of the stobie pole deserves recognition; however, 197 Childers Street has no known association with him or his development of the Stobie pole. Instead it became the home of his son Peter, nearly a decade after James' death."

For more information on the State Heritage Council assessment, please go to <u>https://www.environment.sa.gov.au/files/sharedassets/public/heritage/heritage-assessment-dwelling-197-childers-st-north-adelaide-gen.pdf</u>

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Rate Relief

ITEM 17.4 11/08/2020 Council

Council Member Councillor Martin

2020/00150 Public 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:

Approves a City wide rate reduction of 50% for Quarter 2 of the 20/21 Financial Year for all 5,164 Owner Occupier ratepayers, all 10,944 Non Owner Occupier ratepayers and all 10,168 Commercial ratepayers with a consequent reduction in Council revenue, as advised for the meeting of Council on July 14th, 2020 of \$1.331 million, \$2.087 million and \$10.866 million respectively, except for the Administration's estimate of more than 400 eligible residential ratepayers (Owner Occupiers) who are unemployed and are to receive a rate reduction of 100% for the period with an additional reduction in Council revenue, as also advised for the meeting of Council on July 14th, 2020 of \$1.331 million, \$2.087 million and \$10.866 million respectively, except for the Administration's estimate of more than 400 eligible residential ratepayers (Owner Occupiers) who are unemployed and are to receive a rate reduction of 100% for the period with an additional reduction in Council revenue, as also advised for the meeting of Council on July 14th, 2020 of about \$200,000; noting

- 1. Residential ratepayers claiming the 100% rate waiver will be eligible if they received Federal Government Job Seeker payments for the majority of Quarter 1 of 20/21 financial year or provide an employment separation certificate for the relevant period and a statutory declaration that they do not have other financial resources available or have not found alternative employment;
- All eligible individuals and organisations will receive a communication with their rates notice to notify them of this additional financial hardship assistance measure and the availability of other COVID-19 hardship measures and City recovery initiatives;
- 3. The financial implication for the Long Term Financial Plan of a 50% rate waiver for one quarter for Owner Occupier ratepayers, non Owner Occupier ratepayers and Commercial ratepayers is an increase to borrowings of \$16.6 million over 10 years, and a further operating Deficit of \$14.3 million in 2021, and \$200,000 ongoing through increased interest expense to service additional borrowings (as set out in the information provided in the chart supplied to Council for its meeting of July 14th 2020) and the financial implication for the Long Term Financial Plan of a 100% rate waiver for one quarter for eligible unemployed residential ratepayers is an increase to borrowings of approximately \$200,000 (as set out in the information provided to Council for its meeting on July 14th 2020), repaid over 10 years, and an addition to the Operating Deficit of approximately \$200,000 in 2020/21;
- 4. The Administration advised on July 14th, 2020 increased borrowings can be sourced through the Local Government Finance Authority which;
 - 4.1 Announced on May 26th, 2020 a support package available to the City of Adelaide which would provide an additional discounted convertible cash advance debenture (CAD) entitlement of \$19.6 million, equivalent to approximately 10% of the 2018-19 total operating income of \$195.7 million;
 - 4.2 Enables Council to request an additional CAD facility at a discounted interest rate of 1.45%, which is 0.75% off the standard variable rate of 2.2% (noting that the City of Adelaide is currently paying 1.50% on its existing two CAD facilities);
 - 4.3 Is a discounted interest rate CAD facility for a three year term from its date of establishment and is available until December 31st, 2020.'

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ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

- 1. At the Council meeting on 14 July 2020, Item 10.4 "<u>Financial assistance for City of Adelaide Businesses</u> <u>Impacted by COVID-19</u>" was presented with several options for consideration.
- 2. Council may want to consider waiting to see if any further Federal and State Government support packages are announced prior to determining additional financial support.
- 3. Federal & State Government Support
 - 3.1 The Federal Government has provided an economic stimulus package of \$259 billion to date, including the introduction of the JobKeeper scheme and increased JobSeeker payments. This existing support remains in place until 27 September 2020.
 - 3.2 On 21 July 2020, the Federal Government announced it is extending JobKeeper Payment for a further six months from 28 September 2020 until 28 March 2021 and it is targeting support to those businesses and not-for-profits who continue to be significantly impacted by COVID-19. Further information about the extension is available on the Federal Government Treasury website.
- 4. The State Government has provided an economic stimulus package of \$1 billion to date, including an Economic and Business Growth Fund of \$350 million and a Jobs Rescue Package of \$650 million

Q4 Rates Issued	2019 18/04/2019 (\$000)	2020 21/04/2020 (\$000)
Amount issued	\$25,618	\$25,742
Total paid (As at 30/06/20)	\$23,463	\$20,671
Balance owing	\$2,155	\$5,071
Total flagged hardship	\$0	\$1,959
Remaining balance unpaid	\$2,155	\$3,112
Total percentage paid	91.6%	80.3%
Total percentage hardship	0.0%	7.6%
Remaining percentage unpaid	8.4%	12.1%

5. Rates Payment as at 30 June 2020 (Quarter 4)

6. A City Wide Rate Waiver of 10%, 20% and 50% was presented with the following financial implications.

Residential	Rate Revenue 2020-2021	Assessments	Ave Rate	10% Rate Waiver/Qtr	20% Rate Waiver/Qtr	50% Rate Waiver/Qtr	
Owner Occupier	\$10,653,770	5,164	\$2,063.08	\$266,344.25	\$532,688.49	\$1,331,721.23	
Non-Owner Occupier	\$16,697,061	10,944	\$1,525.68	\$417,426.53	\$834,853.06	\$2,087,132.64	
	\$27,350,831	16,108	\$3,588.77	\$683,770.77	\$1,367,541.55	\$3,418,853.87	

Non Residential	Rate Revenue 2020-2021	Assessments	Ave Rate	10% Rate Waiver/Qtr	20% Rate Waiver/Qtr	50% Rate Waiver/Qtr	
Commercial	\$86,932,600	10,168	\$8,549.63	\$2,173,314.99	\$4,346,629.98	\$10,866,574.95	
	\$86,932,600	10,168	\$8,549.63	\$2,173,314.99	\$4,346,629.98	\$10,866,574.95	

7. The financial implication for the LTFP of a 10% rate waiver for one quarter is an increase to Borrowings of \$3.1 million over 10 years, and a further Operating Deficit of \$2.9 million in 2020-21, as well as \$100,000 in 2021-22 and 2022-23 through increase interest expense to service the additional borrowings.

Financial Indicator (\$'m)	Target	2020- 21 Budget	2021- 22	2022- 23	2023- 24	2024- 25	2025- 26	2026- 27	2027- 28	2028- 29	2029- 30
Borrowing	Within Prudential Limits	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1
Operating Surplus	Financial sustainability	(2.9)	(0.0)	(0.0)	(0.0)	(0.0)	(0.0)	(0.0)	(0.0)	(0.0)	(0.0)

8. The financial implication for the LTFP of a 20% rate waiver for one quarter is an increase to Borrowings of \$6.5 million over 10 years, and a further Operating Deficit of \$5.7 million in 2020-21, and an additional \$100,000 through to 2028-29 increase to interest expense to service the additional borrowings.

Financial Indicator (\$'m)	Target	2020- 21 Budget	2021- 22	2022- 23	2023- 24	2024- 25	2025- 26	2026- 27	2027- 28	2028- 29	2029- 30
Borrowing	Within Prudential Limits	5.7	5.8	5.9	6.0	6.1	6.2	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.5
Operating Surplus	Financial sustainability	(5.7)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)

9. The financial implication for the LTFP of a 50% rate waiver for one quarter is an increase to borrowings of \$16.6 million over 10 years, and a further Operating Deficit of \$14.3 million in 2020-21, and \$200,000 ongoing through increase interest expense to service the additional borrowings.

Financial Indicator (\$'m)	Target	2020- 21 Budget	2021- 22	2022- 23	2023- 24	2024- 25	2025- 26	2026- 27	2027- 28	2028- 29	2029- 30
Borrowing	Within Prudential Limits	14.3	14.6	14.8	15.1	15.4	15.7	15.9	16.1	16.4	16.6
Operating Surplus	Financial sustainability	(14.3)	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.2)	(0.2)	(0.2)

- 10. Rate Waiver for Residential Ratepayers (Owner Occupiers) Unemployed Through COVID-19
 - 10.1 According to the ABS, the current unemployment rate for South Australia is 8.1%.
 - 10.2 The impact of the unemployment rate on owner-occupier assessments in the City of Adelaide could affect as many as 418 assessments. Based on an average rate payable for 2020-2021 this equates to approximately \$853,000 in rates for the year.
 - 10.3 Waiving rates for one quarter for City residents (owner-occupiers) who have become unemployed as a result of COVID-19 could cost approximately \$213,000.
 - 10.4 This financial assistance would be best directed to residential ratepayers (owner-occupiers) should the JobSeeker payments end in September 2020, i.e. applied to the Quarter 2 rating period (October -December 2020).
 - 10.5 To be eligible for this financial assistance, a residential ratepayer must be an owner-occupier, provide an employment separation certificate for the relevant period, and provide a statutory declaration that they do not have other financial resources available or have found alternative employment.
 - 10.6 Should Council approve this option, all eligible ratepayers will receive a communication with their rates notices to notify them of this additional financial hardship assistance measure and the availability of other COVID-19 hardship assistance measures and City recovery initiatives.
 - 10.7 The financial implication for the LTFP is an increase to Borrowings of \$200,000, repaid over 10 years, and a further Operating Deficit of \$200,000 in 2020-21.

Financial Indicator (\$'m)	Target	2020- 21 Budget	2021- 22	2022- 23	2023- 24	2024- 25	2025- 26	2026- 27	2027- 28	2028- 29	2029- 30
Borrowing	Within Prudential Limits	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	-	-
Operating Surplus	Financial sustainability	(0.2)	(0.0)	(0.0)	(0.0)	(0.0)	(0.0)	(0.0)	(0.0)	(0.0)	(0.0)

Revocation – Remote Conferencing - Zoom

ITEM 17.5 11/08/2020 Council

Council Member Councillor Martin

2020/00714 Public **Contact Officer:** Mark Goldstone, Chief Executive Officer

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 the decision of Council on 14/07/2020 in relation to Remote Conferencing - Zoom, namely:

That Council:

Approves a return to the use of Zoom or other remote conferencing software for all committee meetings, workshops and discussion forums, for the remainder of the current term, thereby enabling greater productivity amongst administration staff and Council members unless otherwise determined at the discretion of the CEO in consultation with the Presiding Member.

be revoked.'

ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

1. If the motion is carried, the convening of online meetings will continue in accordance with the Electronic Participation in Council Meetings Notice (No 1) 2020 and associated addendum to the Standing Orders.

Driver Support Package

ITEM 17.6 11/08/2020 Council

Council Member Councillor Khera

2019/00551 Public Contact Officer: Clare Mockler, Deputy CEO & Director Culture

MOTION ON NOTICE

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

'That:

the administration deliver by November 2020 a suite of initiatives under the title 'Driver's Month', including but not limited to:

- Lottery prizes in the form of a \$100 gift voucher given weekly to a random user of the Park Adelaide App, to be spent only at Adelaide city based businesses;
- Banners over major roads titled 'Happy Driver's Month';
- Incentives to park and drive in the CBD in Adelaide;
- Pop-up car congestion easing measures, such as (where feasible) parking and driving on bus-lanes at certain hours;
- Any other measures which will directly improve ease of access for drivers within the city;
- Marketing and publicity measures appropriate to the above.'

ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

- 1. A variety of options available to Council regarding on-street parking were shared with Members at a Committee workshop on Tuesday 21 July 2020.
- 2. Based on feedback received at the workshop, a report with recommended options is intended to be brought to Council for approval before the end of the calendar year.
- 3. The report will include options to incentivise paying for on-street parking via the Park Adelaide app through discounted fees and loyalty programs.
- 4. If this Motion on Notice is carried, we would seek to include the ideas listed in this Motion as part of the options being presented to Council to enable the endorsement of a holistic approach, along with the expected budget required and implementation timeframe.
- 5. We acknowledge the need to proactively market and promote Park Adelaide and any changes to parking that are adopted. It will be important to consider any promotion regarding parking/driving initiatives with campaigns related to UPark.
- 6. Recent incentives to park in the City include the launch of UPark Plus, which in addition to discounted rates offers customers access to special offers and rewards at city businesses through UPark Plus Rewards.
- 7. Regarding banners specifically, timing is also a consideration as many of CoA banner sites will be required for Christmas in the City promotion and other initiatives planned for November.

8. Within the Smart Move Interim Action Plan, Administration work collaboratively with DPTI to ease congestion in a number of ways, which is a complex objective. Creating additional parking or driving lanes, or altering bus lanes, may require DPTI approval along with significant changes to infrastructure on streets due to lane width requirements and safety concerns.

Heritage Incentives Scheme

ITEM 17.8 11/08/2020 Council

Council Member Councillor Khera

2019/00951 Public Contact Officer: Klinton Devenish, Director Place

MOTION ON NOTICE

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

'That:

Council make a provisional allocation of \$50,000 from the Heritage Incentives Scheme (HIS) Budget for Conservation Works to the bluestone villa at 197 Childers Street, North Adelaide, including such works as the reinstatement of the original verandah and paint stripping etc in accordance with the Heritage Incentives Scheme Guidelines, which provide for funding assistance for eligible unlisted historic properties such as this, on the basis of a Land Management Agreement being signed by the owner/title holder, and the property meeting the criteria for local heritage listing.'

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ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

- 1. The property at 197 Childers Street, North Adelaide is not currently listed as a State or Local Heritage Place within the Development Plan.
- 2. The Heritage Incentives Scheme (HIS) Operating Guidelines allow for funding 'to an unlisted heritage place of historic character, providing the owner enters into a Land Management Agreement (LMA) on the Certificate of Title to ensure: the building is not demolished; support for future Development Plan policy changes to enable heritage listing; conservation works reinforce the heritage value of the place.'
- 3. The cost of the heritage assessment of an eligible property and preparation of the LMA is fully funded through the HIS.
- 4. The establishment of a LMA over a property requires the agreement of the registered owner of the property and remains in place when the land title is transferred to a future owner, until such time as the relevant parties agree to extinguish the Agreement.
- 5. Council administration is currently assessing a development application for this site which includes demolition of the existing dwelling.

Melbourne Street

ITEM 17.10 11/08/2020 Council

Council Member Councillor Couros

Contact Officer: Klinton Devenish, Director Place

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:

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Public

- 1. Notes that approximately 400 buses travel through Melbourne Street daily. The buses are frequent, loud, mainly diesel and create congestion on the street.
- 2. Investigate the bus route with the Department of Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) to propose an alternate route for the buses.'

ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

- 1. Data from the Department of Infrastructure and Transport shows Melbourne Street accommodates 384 bus trips on weekdays, 208 on Saturdays and 184 on Sundays. The buses service the Melbourne Street precinct (residents, workers, visitors) and also provide a route into the City from some north-eastern suburbs.
- 2. Average total daily vehicle volumes range from 15,700 vehicles per day west of Jerningham Street to 19,500 vehicles per day east of Jerningham Street.
- 3. Buses account for approximately 2% of all vehicle trips along Melbourne Street.
- 4. There are 10 bus stops located along the length of Melbourne Street, five inbound and five outbound. Stops are distributed along the length of the street, from the medical precinct in the west to the commercial and retail precinct in the east.
- 5. Buses utilising Melbourne Street also service four stops on Sir Edwin Smith Avenue, including two stops at the Memorial Hospital, and six stops on Frome Road, including stops at Adelaide Zoo, Botanic High School, Lot 14 and the university precinct.
- 6. Approximately 650 passengers per day board and alight buses on Melbourne Street. Approximately 220 passengers per day utilise Sir Edwin Smith Avenue and 640 per day utilise Frome Road.
- 7. Removing buses from Melbourne Street would also remove or reduce services to a number of other areas of the city, impacting accessibility for residents, workers and visitors. Other than Melbourne Street, there are no alternatives that are suitable for accommodating buses that would still allow for servicing Sir Edwin Smith Avenue and Frome Road.
- 8. Diverted buses would be required to use other routes in the city, increasing bus volumes on those roads.
- 9. The removal of buses from Melbourne Street would be anticipated to result in additional private vehicle trips, increasing congestion on Melbourne Street and elsewhere. The impact of these trips would be expected to be greater than the impact of the existing bus services.

City Safety

ITEM 17.12 11/08/2020 Council

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:

2020/01167

Public

- 1. Notes the group known as Extinction Rebellion has been responsible for egregious disruptions to the daily lives of other citizens, particularly in Queensland where the Brisbane CBD was severely disrupted by members gluing themselves to main roads, freight services were halted and multiple members of the group were charged with the assault of a police officer.
- 2. Notes that Extinction Rebellion have been very active in Adelaide and South Australia and have been conducting training sessions on civil disobedience, which may include training to undertake illegal activities similar to those that have occurred interstate.
- 3. Requests Administration engage with SA Police and other emergency services to devise an action plan in the event that illegal acts of civil disobedience do occur, in order to minimise disruption caused to the lives of hard-working Australians who are going about their business in the City of Adelaide.'

ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

- 1. SA Police (SAPOL) are the lead agency for crime prevention and safety in South Australia.
- 2. SAPOL engage with any group organising a protest to minimise disruption to business and the community. SAPOL meet with organisers to ensure that any protest is conducted in a lawful and safe manner.
- 3. We will continue to engage with SAPOL regarding the potential for public disorder through protest activity and will discuss any need for an action plan with SAPOL.
- 4. We work in close collaboration with SAPOL to increase safety by addressing identified safety challenges with our community as they arise. A variety of mechanisms exist to support effective communication and collaboration, including:
 - 4.1. A quarterly informal communication meeting between SAPOL and Elected Members
 - 4.2. The Safer City Action Plan 2019-2023, developed in consultation with SAPOL
 - 4.3. Monthly meetings between SAPOL and the Administration
 - 4.4. Coordinated and shared attendance at local community meetings regarding safety.
- 5. We also collaborate with SAPOL to work alongside the community, business operators and Council to encourage the reporting of crime and anti-social behaviour.

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