Audit Committee Report – 31 July 2020 & 7 August 2020

ITEM 9.2 11/08/2020 Council

Strategic Alignment - Enabling Priorities

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Audit Committee plays a critical role supporting the Council and Chief Executive Officer in the financial reporting framework of Council, by overseeing and monitoring the participation of management and external auditors in the financial reporting process. It also addresses issues such as the approach being adopted by Council and management to address business risks, corporate and financial governance responsibilities and legal compliance.

The Audit Committee held a Special meeting on Friday, 31 July 2020 and a meeting on Friday, 7 August 2020 and is required to report to Council after every meeting to identify and present advice and recommendations.

A precis of the matters considered by the Audit Committee is presented within this report.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes the report of the meetings of the Audit Committee held on 31 July 2020 and 7 August 2020.

DISCUSSION

- 1. The Audit Committee met as a Special meeting on Friday 31 July 2020. The agenda for the meeting can be viewed here.
- 2. The following matters were the subject of deliberations:

2.1. 2019-20 Quarter 4 Finance Report

THAT THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

- 1. Notes the 2019-20 Quarter 4 Finance Report (the report), including the updated Long Term Financial Plan.
- Notes the Quarter 4 Treasury report update as contained in the report.
- 3. Recommends that Council approves the 2019-20 Quarter 4 Finance Report and proposed retiming adjustments as summarised in Attachment A to Item 2.1 on the Agenda for the Special meeting of the Audit Committee held on 31 July 2020.

2.2. 2020-21 Business Plan & Budget

THAT THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

- 1. Notes the draft 2020-21 Business Plan and Budget document in Attachment A to Item 2.2 on the Agenda for the Special meeting of the Audit Committee held on 31 July 2020.
- 2. Notes the proposed changes to the 2020-21 Budget as presented to the in a Committee Workshop on Tuesday 28 July 2020 in Attachment B to Item 2.2 on the Agenda for the Special meeting of the Audit Committee held on 31 July 2020.
- 3. Notes the verbal update of the feedback arising from the Special Meeting of The Committee on Tuesday 28 July 2020.
- 3. The Audit Committee met on Friday 7 August 2020. The Agenda with Reports for the public component of the meeting can be viewed here.
- 4. The following matters were the subject of deliberations:

4.1. Service Planning and Performance

4.2. Presiding Member's Annual Report

THAT THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

1. Receives and notes the Presiding Member's Annual Report for the 2019/20 financial year as included in Attachment A to Item 5.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 7 August 2020.

4.3. Annual Report Risk Statement

THAT THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

 Recommends approval of the statements to be included in the Annual Report, as outlined in Attachment A to Item 5.2 on the Agenda of the City of Adelaide Audit Committee held on 7 August 2020.

4.4. Internal Audit Progress Report

THAT THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

Notes the Internal Audit Progress Update report.

4.5. Confidential Presentation - Corporate Climate Change Risk Assessment

4.6. Corporate Climate Change Risk Assessment

Considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3)(b) & (d) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA)

In accordance with Section 91 (7) & (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)* and on the grounds that Item 10.1 [Confidential Presentation – Corporate Climate Change Risk Assessment] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 7 August 2020 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90 (3) (b) & (d) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)*, this meeting of the Audit Committee, do order that:

- 1. The discussion and the Minutes of the meeting in relation to the matter remain confidential and not available for public inspection until 31 December 2027.
- 2. The confidentiality of the matter be reviewed in December 2021.
- The Chief Executive Officer be delegated the authority to review and revoke all or part of the order herein and directed to present a report containing the Item for which the confidentiality order has been received.

4.7. Provision of External Audit Services

Considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3)(k) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA)

In accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* and on the grounds that Item 11.2 [Provision of External Audit Services] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 7 August 2020 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3) (k) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, this meeting of the Audit Committee, do order that:

- 1. The resolution, report, the discussions and any other associated information submitted to this meeting and the Minutes of this meeting in relation to the matter remain confidential and not available for public inspection until 31 December 2027.
- 2. The confidentiality of the matter be reviewed in December 2021.
- The Chief Executive Officer be delegated the authority to review and revoke all or part of the order herein and directed to present a report containing the item for which the confidentiality order has been revoked.

4.8. Update on Activities of the Strategic Risk and Internal Audit Group Meetings

Considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA)

THAT THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

- 1. Notes the report.
- 2. The report is provided to the next meeting of the Council as part of the confidential report of Audit Committee meeting.
- 3. In accordance with Section 91(7) & (9) of the Local Government Act 1999 and on the grounds that Item 11.3 [Update on Activities of the Strategic Risk and Internal Audit Group Meetings] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 7 August 2020 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1999, this meeting of the Audit Committee, do order that:
 - 3.1. The resolution becomes public information and included in the Minutes of the meeting.
 - 3.2. The report, the discussion and any other associated information submitted to this meeting and the Minutes of this meeting in relation to the matter remain confidential and not available for public inspection until 31 December 2027.
 - 3.3. The confidentiality of the matter be reviewed in December 2021.
 - 3.4. The Chief Executive Officer be delegated authority to review and revoke all or part of the order herein and directed to present a report containing the Item for which the confidentiality order has been revoked.

4.9. Confidential Discussion with the Internal Auditor

Considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3)(b) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA)

In accordance with Section 91 (7) & (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)* and on the grounds that Item 11.4 [Confidential Discussion with the Internal Auditor] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 7 August 2020 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90 (3) (b) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)*, this meeting of the Audit Committee, do order that:

- 1. The discussion and the Minutes of the meeting in relation to the matter remain confidential and not available for public inspection until 31 December 2027.
- 2. The confidentiality of the matter be reviewed in December 2021.

3. The Chief Executive Officer be delegated the authority to review and revoke all or part of the order herein and directed to present a report containing the Item for which the confidentiality order has been received.

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