

at 5:00 pm

in the Queen Adelaide Room, Adelaide Town Hall



Members - The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor [Sandy Verschoor]; Councillor Moran (Chair)

Councillors Abiad (Deputy Lord Mayor), Abrahimzadeh, Couros, Dr Donovan, Hou, Hyde, Khera, Knoll, Martin (Deputy Chair) and Simms.

## 1. Acknowledgement of Country

At the opening of the Committee Meeting, the Chair will state:

'Council acknowledges that we are meeting on traditional Country of the Kaurna people of the Adelaide Plains and pays respect to Elders past and present. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kaurna people living today.

And we also extend that respect to other Aboriginal Language Groups and other First Nations who are present today.'

### 2. Acknowledgement of Colonel William Light

Upon completion of the Kaurna Acknowledgment, the Chair will state:

'The Council acknowledges the vision of Colonel William Light in determining the site for Adelaide and the design of the City with its six (6) squares and surrounding belt of continuous Park Lands which is recognised on the National Heritage List as one of the greatest examples of Australia's planning heritage.'

### 3. Apologies and Leave of Absence - Nil

#### 4. Exclusion of the Public

**4.1.** Exclusion of the Public to Consider [2018/04291] [Page 2]: For the following Discussion Forum Item in Confidence:

#### **Strategic Alignment - Corporate Activities**

**5.1.** Strategic Property Matter [s 90(3) (b) & (d)]

#### 5. Discussion Forum Item in Confidence

**Strategic Alignment - Corporate Activities** 

5.1. Strategic Property Matter

6.

Closure

Facilitator - Steve Mathewson, Director Services City of Adelaide

## Exclusion of the Public

**ITEM 4.1** 15/01/2019 **The Committee** 

Program Contact: Jacki Done, AD People & Governance 8203 7256

2018/04291 Public Approving Officer: Mark Goldstone, Chief Executive Officer

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

It is the recommendation of the Chief Executive Officer that the public be excluded from this Committee meeting for the consideration of information and matters contained in the Agenda.

For the following Discussion Forum Item aligned with the *City of Adelaide Strategic Plan 2016-2020* in confidence:

<u>Strategic Alignment – Corporate Activities</u>

Item 5.1 Strategic Property Matter [s 90(3) (b) & (d)]

#### The Order to Exclude for Item 5.1:

- 1. Identifies the information and matters (grounds) from s 90(3) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)* utilised to request consideration in confidence;
- 2. Identifies the <u>basis</u> how the information falls within the grounds identified and why it is necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public; and
- 3. In addition identifies for the following grounds s 90(3) (b), (d) or (j) how information open to the public would be contrary to the <u>public interest</u>.

## ORDER TO EXCLUDE FOR ITEM 5.1:

### **THAT THE COMMITTEE:**

1. Having taken into account the relevant consideration contained in s 90(3) (b) & (d) and s 90(2) & (7) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA), this Special meeting of The Committee dated 15/1/2019 resolves that it is necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public as the consideration of Item 5.1 [Strategic Property Matter] listed on the Agenda in a meeting open to the public would on balance be contrary to the public interest.

#### **Grounds and Basis**

This Report details commercial information of a strategic property matter the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to prejudice the commercial position and identity of the proponent who supplied 'commercial in confidence' information containing business directions/strategy. The disclosure of information contained in this report may prejudice the commercial position of the third party by disclosing the identity and content of the information at this point in time. Disclosure of this information may prejudice the ability to undertake/participate in any future process and or negotiations on any proposal and prejudice the Council's commercial position and opportunity for Council to participate in future like considerations or discussions.

#### **Public Interest**

Council is satisfied that the principle that the meeting be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstances. The private sector may determine not to pitch new ideas and projects to Council if Council will not take into account a proponents concerns regarding protection of its ideas and commercially sensitive information. This may have the impact that Council does not maximise private sector innovation and service delivery improvement opportunities. Disclosure of the information contained in this report may cause detriment to the third party who supplied information to Council at this point in time, and may materially and adversely affect Council's ability to discuss/participate or influence a proposal for the benefit of the Council and the community in this matter.

2. Pursuant to s 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)*, this Special meeting of The Committee dated 15/1/2019 orders that the public (with the exception of members of Corporation staff and any person permitted to remain) be excluded from this meeting to enable this meeting to receive, discuss or consider in confidence Item 5.1 [Strategic Property Matter] listed in the Agenda, on the grounds that such item of business, contains information and matters of a kind referred to in s 90(3) (b) & (d) of the Act.

## DISCUSSION

- 1. s 90(1) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)*, directs that a meeting of a Council Committee must be conducted in a place open to the public.
- 2. s 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)*, states that a Council Committee may order that the public be excluded from attendance at a meeting if the Council Committee considers it to be necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public to receive, discuss or consider in confidence any information or matter listed in s 90(3).
- 3. s 90(3) prescribes the information and matters that a Council may order that the public be excluded from.
- 4. s 90(4) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)*, advises that in considering whether an order should be made under s 90(2), it is irrelevant that discussion of a matter in public may:
  - 4.1 cause embarrassment to the council or council committee concerned, or to members or employees of the council: or
  - 4.2 cause a loss of confidence in the council or council committee.'
  - 4.3 involve discussion of a matter that is controversial within the council area; or
  - 4.4 make the council susceptible to adverse criticism.
- 5. s 90(7) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA) requires that an order to exclude the public:
  - 5.1 Identify the information and matters (grounds) from s 90(3) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)* utilised to request consideration in confidence;
  - 5.2 Identify the basis how the information falls within the grounds identified and why it is necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public; and
  - 5.3 In addition identify for the following grounds s 90(3) (b), (d) or (j) how information open to the public would be contrary to the public interest.
- 6. s 87(10) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)* has been utilised to identify in the Agenda and on the Report for the meeting, that the following matter is submitted seeking consideration in confidence.
  - 6.1 Information contained in Item 5.1 Strategic Property Matter:
    - 6.1.1 Is not subject to an Existing Confidentiality Order
    - 6.1.2 The grounds utilised to request consideration in confidence is s 90(3) (b) & (d)
      - (b) information the disclosure of which-
        - (i) could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the council; and
        - (ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest;
      - (d) commercial information of a confidential nature (not being a trade secret) the disclosure of which—
        - could reasonably be expected to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied the information, or to confer a commercial advantage on a third party;
          and
        - (ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest;

# **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil