

# CITY FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

# **Minutes**

for the Special meeting on

Tuesday, 11 March 2025

in the Colonel Light Room, Adelaide Town Hall

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Present – The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, Dr Jane Lomax-Smith

Councillor Dr Siebentritt (Chair)

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Elliott (Deputy Chair)

Councillors Couros, Davis, Giles, Hou, Martin, Noon and Snape

## 1 Acknowledgement of Country

The Chair stated:

'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 Apologies and Leave of Absence

Leave of Absence:

Councillors Abrahimzadeh and Li

#### 3 Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Nil

#### 4 Deputations

Nil

#### 5 Workshops

## 5.1 Business Plan and Budget update with ESCOSA findings and Rating Review overview

Discussion Facilitators:

Anthony Spartalis, Chief Operating Officer Michael Sedgman, Chief Executive Officer

#### Precis of Topic:

To present to Council Members an update on the Business Plan and Budget with ESCOSA findings and Rating Review overview.

#### During the discussion:

- Councillor Giles entered the Colonel Light Room at 5.33 pm.
- Councillor Noon entered the Colonel Light Room at 5.36 pm.
- Councillor Martin left the Colonel Light Room at 6.26 pm and re-entered at 6.28 pm.
- Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Elliott left the Colonel Light Room at 6.44 pm and re-entered at 6.50 pm.

#### Undertaking - Clarification on ESCOSA Findings

In response to a query from Councillor Davis seeking clarification on how ESCOSA came to their conclusion given total income vs total expenditure 10 year data on page 16 of the ESCOSA report, an undertaking was given to seek clarity and clarify capital budget, capital spend and whether the capital component factored in the additional money required for asset renewal.

#### Undertaking – Rate Review

In response to a query from Councillor Martin, an undertaking was given to further consider and explore mainstreet separate rate revenue.

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# <u>Undertaking – Adelaide Business Connection – Biz Model</u>

In response to a query from Councillor Noon, an undertaking was given to explore further the biz model.

# <u>Undertaking – AEDA Strategic Plan/Budget</u>

In response to Councillor Couros an undertaking was given to explore ways to increase the AEDA allocation for delivery of the AEDA Strategic Plan.

An undertaking was given to look at how better to present spend across strategies that are delivered by AEDA and to show the total spend on commercial activities as opposed to AEDA.

#### Closure

The meeting closed at 6.56 pm

Councillor Dr Siebentritt

**City Finance and Governance Committee Chair** 

Documents Attached:

Nil