



# CITY FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

## Minutes

for the meeting on

Tuesday, 21 April 2026

in the Colonel Light Room, Adelaide Town Hall

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Our Adelaide.  
**Bold.**  
**Aspirational.**  
**Innovative.**

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

Councillor Dr Siebentritt (Chair)

Councillor Maher (Deputy Chair)

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon and Councillors Abrahamzadeh, Cabada, Couros, Davis, Freeman,  
Giles, Martin and Snape

## 1 Acknowledgement of Country

The Chair stated:

‘Council acknowledges that we are meeting on traditional Country of the Kurna 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 Kurna 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

Nil

## 3 Confirmation of Minutes - 17/3/2026, 7/4/2026 and 14/4/2026

Moved by Councillor Martin,  
Seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 March 2026 and the Special meeting held on 7 April 2026 and reconvened on 14 April 2026, be taken as read and be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

Carried

## 4 Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Councillor Freeman declared a material conflict of interest in Item 10.1 [Main Streets Delivery Options], pursuant to Section 74 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) due to the direct involvement of her employer Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) and its operations, and that she would vacate her Chair and leave the room during consideration of the matter.

## 5 Deputations

Nil

The Chair advised the meeting that due to there being a deputation for the Infrastructure and Public Works Committee scheduled for 7pm, that leave would be sought to adjourn the City Finance and Governance Committee at 7pm to enable the deputation and relevant item to be heard and considered.

## 6 Workshops

Nil

## 7 Reports for Recommendation to Council

### 7.1 Outdoor Dining Report

Moved by Councillor Martin,  
Seconded by Councillor Giles -

THAT THE CITY FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL

THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes the report and intention to alter the Outdoor Dining Guidelines to offer multi-year permits from 1 September 2026.

2. Approves the following changes to the 2026/27 outdoor dining fees as part of the draft 2026/27 Annual Business Plan and Budget:
  - 2.1. Removal of the 'Transfer of Permit' fee, currently \$131.50 per permit.
  - 2.2. Offering the first 12 months as fee-free for outdoor dining in new locations, or locations that have not had outdoor dining in place for more than 12 months, and consistent with the outdoor dining transition policy to all businesses with fixed furniture including screens, that transition to moveable furniture.
  - 2.3. Discounting the fee rate for businesses located in lower pedestrian areas to 50% of the standard outdoor dining rate, using the existing zoning boundaries.

Councillor Couros declared a general conflict of interest in Item 7.1 [Outdoor Dining Report], pursuant to Section 74 of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA) as she owns businesses in the City with outdoor dining, but that she would stay in the room, participate in the debate and vote on the matter.

Discussion ensued, during which with the consent of the mover, seconder and the meeting the motion was varied to read as follows:

THAT THE CITY FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL

THAT COUNCIL

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2. Approves the following changes to the 2026/27 outdoor dining fees as part of the draft 2026/27 Annual Business Plan and Budget:
  - 2.1. Removal of the 'Transfer of Permit' fee, currently \$131.50 per permit.
  - 2.2. Offering the first 12 months as fee-free for outdoor dining in new locations, or locations that have not had outdoor dining in place for more than 12 months.
  - 2.3. Offering the first 12 months as fee-free to all businesses with fixed furniture including screens, that transition to moveable furniture, consistent with the outdoor dining transition policy.
  - 2.4. Discounting the fee rate for businesses located in lower pedestrian areas to 50% of the standard outdoor dining rate, using the existing zoning boundaries.

Councillor Martin called a Point of Order in relation to Councillor Davis' reference to bullying and asked that he apologise.

Councillor Davis gave an explanation and would not apologise.

The Chair then sought leave of the meeting to adjourn for a period of 5 minutes at 6.52 pm.

Leave was granted

The meeting resumed at 6.58 pm, with the following Council Members present:

The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, Dr Jane Lomax-Smith, Councillor Siebentritt (Chair), Councillor Maher (Deputy Chair), Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon and Councillors Cabada, Couros, Davis, Freeman, Giles, Martin and Snape.

The Chair ruled that Councillor Davis had not contravened Regulation 29 and that Councillor Davis continue his debate.

With the consent of the mover and seconder, the Chair advised that the motion would be taken in parts.

Part 1 of the motion was then put and carried unanimously

Part 2 of the motion was then put and carried unanimously

Part 2.1 of the motion was then put and carried

Part 2.2 of the motion was then put and carried

Part 2.3 of the motion was then put and carried

Part 2.4 of the motion was then put and lost

With the consent of the meeting, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 7.05 pm, until the adjournment of the Infrastructure and Public Works Committee.

The meeting resumed at 8.10 pm, with the following Council Members present:

Councillor Siebentritt (Chair), Councillor Maher (Deputy Chair), Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon and Councillors Cabada, Couros, Davis, Freeman, Giles and Martin.

## 7.2 Draft 2026/27 Business Plan & Budget - Operating Budget

Discussion ensued, during which Councillor Snape re-entered the Colonel Light Room at 8.10 pm.

It was then –

Moved by Councillor Giles,  
Seconded by Councillor Maher -

### THAT THE CITY FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes Administration's responses to the list of further budget savings suggested since the 23 May 2026 CEO Briefing, outlined in Attachment A of Item 7.2, on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 21 April 2026.
2. Endorses the annual priorities, as outlined within the 'Our Strategies and Plans' in Attachment B of Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 21 April 2026, for the development of the Draft 2026/27 Business Plan and Budget for the purpose of public consultation.
3. Endorses the operating budgets and program plans (inclusive of service changes) and Strategic Projects, as outlined within the 'Our Programs and Projects' in Attachment B of Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 21 April 2026, for the development of the Draft 2026/27 Business Plan and Budget for the purpose of public consultation.

Discussion continued, during which:

- The Lord Mayor re-entered the Colonel Light Room at 8.14 pm.
- The Chair sought leave of the meeting to continue the meeting past 8.30pm. Leave was granted.
- Councillor Davis called a Point of Order in relation to Councillor Giles having forgone the right to speak to the motion. The Chair ruled against the Point of Order.
- Councillor Davis called a Point of Order in relation to speaking to the motion. The Chair ruled against the Point of Order.
- Councillor Cabada advised the meeting that in accordance with regulation 18 of the *Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013*, he was unable to vote on the matter until after the tabling of documents relating to the Draft 2026/27 Business Plan & Budget.

Discussion continued

The Chair sought leave of the meeting at 8.51 pm to adjourn the meeting for a period of two minutes.

Leave was granted

The meeting resumed at 8.54 pm with the following Members present:

The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, Dr Jane Lomax-Smith, Councillor Siebentritt (Chair), Councillor Maher (Deputy Chair), Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon and Councillors Cabada, Couros, Davis, Freeman, Giles and Martin.

In accordance with section 208 of the Core Committee Terms of Reference and Meeting Procedures the Chair ruled against Councillor Cabada's regulation 18 request, advising it was unreasonable, that the documents do not exist in the form requested and outlined a path forward for Councillor Cabada's request.

Discussion continued, during which:

- Councillor Snape re-entered the Colonel Light Room at 8.58 pm.

- Councillor Davis advised the meeting that in accordance with regulation 18 of the *Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013*, he was unable to vote on the matter until after the tabling of documents relating to the Draft 2026/27 Business Plan & Budget.
- The Chair sought clarification and was advised the documents had been provided to Council Members at the CEO Briefing - Business Plan and Budget Session, held on 7 February 2026.

Undertakings - Draft 2026/27 Business Plan & Budget - Operating Budget

In response to queries from Councillor Davis, undertakings were given to provide Council Members with further details on:

- the breakdown of employee costs, and
- the costs associated with employees of the Office of the Lord Mayor in the 25/26 budget in comparison to the current draft budget.

In response to queries from Councillor Freeman, undertakings were given to review recent Council Members motions in relation to the draft 26/27 budget and to provide Members with the information that was provided to the community during the consultation period, alongside the draft 25/26 budget.

The motion was then put and carried

**7.3 2025/26 Q4 Quarterly Forward Procurement Report**

Moved by Councillor Maher,  
Seconded by the Lord Mayor -

THAT THE CITY FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL

THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes the procurement activity set out in Attachment A to Item 7.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 21 April 2026, which will be released to the market during Quarter 4 of the 2025/26 financial year.

Discussion ensued, during which Councillor Couros left the Colonel Light Room at 9.27 pm and re-entered at 9.29 pm.

The motion was then put and carried unanimously

**8 Reports for Noting**

Nil

**9 Exclusion of the Public**

Moved by Councillor Cabada,  
Seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon -

ORDER TO EXCLUDE FOR ITEM 10.1

THAT THE CITY FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE:

1. Having taken into account the relevant consideration contained in section 90(3) (d) & (j) and section 90(2) & (7) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)*, this meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee dated 21 April 2026 resolves that it is necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public as the consideration of Item 10.1 [Main Streets Delivery Options] listed on the Agenda in a meeting open to the public would on balance be contrary to the public interest.

Grounds and Basis

The disclosure of certain information could reasonably prejudice the commercial position of the Council, the release of such information may confer a commercial advantage on a third party and severely prejudice the Council's ability to maximise opportunity for the benefit of the Council and the community in this matter and on balance would not be in the public interest to disclose. The disclosure of which would divulge information provided on a confidential basis by or to a Minister of the Crown, or another public authority or official (not being an employee of the Council, or a person engaged by the Council and the disclosure of which would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

Public Interest

The Council is satisfied that the principle that the meeting be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstances because the disclosure of this information may result in release of information in relation to the proposed commercial deliberations of Council.

2. Pursuant to section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)* (the Act), this meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee dated 21 April 2026 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 10.1 [Main Streets Delivery Options] listed in the Agenda, on the grounds that such item of business, contains information and matters of a kind referred to in section 90(3) (d) & (j) of the Act.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Cabada,  
Seconded by Councillor Maher -

ORDER TO EXCLUDE FOR ITEM 10.2

THAT THE CITY FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE:

1. Having taken into account the relevant consideration contained in section 90(3) (b) & (d) and section 90(2) & (7) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)*, this meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee dated 21 April 2026 resolves that it is necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public as the consideration of Item 10.2 [Delegation to Award Contract (Salesforce Implementation Partner)] listed on the Agenda in a meeting open to the public would on balance be contrary to the public interest.

Grounds and Basis

This Item is commercial information of a confidential nature (not being a trade secret) the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to identify the proponent and to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting business and prejudice the commercial position of the council, with the potential to confer a commercial advantage to a third party competitor of a person with whom the council is conducting business.

Public Interest

The Committee is satisfied that the principle that the meeting be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstances because the disclosure of this information may result in release of information prior to the finalisation of 'commercial in confidence' negotiation with the proponent and because the disclosure of Council's commercial position may severely prejudice Council's ability to discuss/participate or influence a proposal for the benefit of the Council and the community in this matter and in relation to other contract negotiations.

2. Pursuant to section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)* (the Act), this meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee dated 21 April 2026 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 10.2 [Delegation to Award Contract (Salesforce Implementation Partner)] listed in the Agenda, on the grounds that such item of business, contains information and matters of a kind referred to in section 90(3) (b) & (d) of the Act.

Carried unanimously

Councillor Giles, members of the public and corporation staff not involved with Items 10.1 and 10.2 left the Colonel Light Room at 9.31 pm.

- 10 Confidential Reports for Recommendation to Council**
- 10.1 Main Streets Delivery Options [s 90(3) [(d), (j)]**
- 10.2 Delegation to Award Contract (Salesforce Implementation Partner) [s 90(3) [(b), (d)]**

The meeting reopened to the public at 10.21 pm.

**Item 10.1 – Main Streets Delivery Options [s 90(3) [(d), (j)]]**

Confidentiality Order

Authorises that, in accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) and because Item 10.1 [Main Streets Delivery Options] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 21 April 2026 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3) (d) and (j) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), this meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee do order that:

1. The resolution, 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 2033.
2. The confidentiality of the matter be reviewed in December 2027.
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 revoked.

**Item 10.2 – Delegation to Award Contract (Salesforce Implementation Partner) [s 90(3) [(b), (d)]]**

Confidentiality Order

Authorises that, in accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) and because Item 10.2 [Delegation to Award Contract (Salesforce Implementation Partner)] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 21 April 2026 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3) (b) and (d) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), this meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee do order that

1. The resolution, 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 28 April 2036.
2. The confidentiality of the matter be reviewed in April 2027.
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 revoked.

**Closure**

The meeting closed at 10.21 am

Councillor Dr Siebentritt  
**City Finance and Governance Committee Chair**

Documents Attached:

Nil