



COUNCIL

Minutes

for the meeting on

Tuesday, 29 April 2025

in the Colonel Light Room, Adelaide Town Hall

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

Councillors Abrahamzadeh, Couros, Davis, Giles, Martin, Dr Siebentritt and Snape

1 Acknowledgement of Country

At the opening of the Council meeting, the Lord Mayor 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

Nil

3 Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Councillor Martin declared a general conflict of interest in Items 5 and 6.1 [2025/26 Business Plan and Budget - Draft for Consultation] in relation to the Adelaide Central Market Authority and the Adelaide Zero Project, pursuant to Section 74 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) as he is on the Board of the Adelaide Central Market Authority and his daughter is engaged by the Adelaide Zero Project, but that he would stay in the room, participate in the discussion and vote on the item.

Lord Mayor declared a general conflict of interest in Items 5 and 6.1 [2025/26 Business Plan and Budget - Draft for Consultation] in relation to the budget for the Adelaide Economic Development Agency, pursuant to Section 74 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) as she is on the Board, but that she would stay in the room, participate in the discussion and vote on the item.

4 Deputations

Nil

5 Recommendation of the Special City Finance and Governance Committee - 22 April 2025

5.1 Recommendation 1 - Item 6.1 - 2025/26 Business Plan and Budget - Draft for Consultation

Moved by Councillor Siebentritt,
Seconded by Councillor Martin -

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Refers the Draft 2025/26 Business Plan and Budget document set out in Attachment A to Item 6.1 on the Agenda for the Special meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held 22 April 2025, for the purpose of public consultation commencing at 9.00am on Tuesday 6 May 2025 and concluding at midnight Tuesday 27 May 2025, to the special Council meeting to be held on 29 April 2025.
2. Notes the 2025/26 Budget delivers an Operating Surplus of \$8.541m and forecast borrowings of \$49.329m at the end of 2025/26.
3. Notes the Draft 2025/26 Budget delivers Capital expenditure of \$107.116m, including \$67.937m for the asset renewal program, and \$39.179 on new and upgraded assets.
4. Notes the Draft 2025/26 Business Plan & Budget for Council's Subsidiary Adelaide Central Market Authority provided as Attachment B to Item 6.1 on the Agenda for the Special meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held 22 April 2025, which will be available as a reference document for the public consultation period commencing at 9.00am on Tuesday 6 May 2025 and concluding at midnight Tuesday 27

May 2025.

5. Notes the Draft 2025/26 Business Plan & Budget for Council's Subsidiary Adelaide Economic Development Agency provided as Attachment C to Item 6.1 on the Agenda for the Special meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held 22 April 2025, which will be available as a reference document for the public consultation period commencing at 9.00am on Tuesday 6 May 2025 and concluding at midnight Tuesday 27 May 2025.
6. Notes the Draft 2025/26 Business Plan & Budget for Council's Subsidiary Kadaltilla / Park Lands Authority provided as Attachment D to Item 6.1 on the Agenda for the Special meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held 22 April 2025, which will be available as a reference document for the public consultation period commencing at 9.00am on Tuesday 6 May 2025 and concluding at midnight Tuesday 27 May 2025.

Carried

6 Reports for Council (Chief Executive Officer's Reports)

6.1 2025/26 Business Plan and Budget - Draft for Consultation

Moved by Councillor Siebentritt,
Seconded by Councillor Snape -

THAT COUNCIL

1. Approves the Draft 2025/26 Business Plan and Budget document set out in Attachment A to Item 6.1 on the Agenda for the Special Meeting of Council held 29 April 2025 for the purpose of community consultation commencing at 9:00am on Tuesday 6 May 2025 and concluding at midnight Tuesday 27 May 2025, subject to the following amendment:
 - 1.1 That a proposed Minimum Rate of \$600 is introduced as part of the Draft 2025/26 Rating Policy.
2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to make any necessary changes to the Draft 2025/26 Business Plan & Budget document arising from this meeting, together with any editorial amendments and finalisation of the document's formatting and graphic design.

Discussion ensued, during which Councillors Couros and Abrahamzadeh entered the Colonel Light Room at 5.33 pm.

With the consent of the mover, seconder and the meeting, the motion was varied to include an additional 3 parts to read as follows:

- '1.2. That the proposed 2025/26 Road Event (Closure Fees) apply to State and Federal Government agencies and entities.
- 1.3. That the proposed transfer of Precinct Activation resources of \$0.822m (including 3.0 FTE) to the Adelaide Economic Development Agency remains within the City Culture Program, subject to a final decision by Council in relation to the Precincts Review.
- 1.4 That the Community Sports Building Redevelopment (Concept Design) allocation of \$100k for 2025/26 be the subject of a further report to Council in relation to confirming the project to be selected from the Community Buildings Priority Needs Analysis.'

Discussion continued, during which the Lord Mayor sought leave of the meeting to adjourn the meeting for a period of 5 minutes.

Leave was granted

The meeting adjourned at 5.51 pm

The meeting resumed at 5.57 pm with the following members present:

The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, Dr Jane Lomax-Smith (Presiding)
Councillors Abrahamzadeh, Couros, Davis, Giles, Martin, Dr Siebentritt and Snape

Discussion continued, during which Councillor Davis left the Colonel Light Room at 6.12 pm and re-entered at 6.16 pm.

It was then -

Moved by Councillor Martin,
Seconded by Councillor Snape –

That the motion be put.

Councillors Abrahamzadeh, Couros and Davis left the meeting at 6.30 pm.

The Lord Mayor disallowed the formal motion as Councillor Martin had spoken to the motion.

Moved by Councillor Giles,
Seconded by Councillor Snape –

That the motion be put.

The Lord Mayor did not accept the formal motion because the seconder of the substantive motion was deemed ineligible to second the formal motion

Discussion continued

The motion was then put and carried unanimously

Closure

The meeting closed at 6.35 pm

Dr Jane Lomax-Smith
Lord Mayor

Date of confirmation: