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Tuesday, 24 October 2023

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

Councillors Abrahimzadeh, Couros, Davis, Elliott, Giles, Hou, Li, Noon, Dr Siebentritt and Snape

1 Acknowledgement of Country

Councillors Giles and Davis entered the Council Chamber at 5.34 pm.

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 recognize 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

The Lord Mayor stated:

'The Council acknowledges the vision of Colonel William Light in determining the site for Adelaide and the design of the City with its six 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 Prayer

Upon the completion of the Acknowledgement of Colonel Light, the Lord Mayor stated:

'We pray for wisdom, courage, empathy, understanding and guidance in the decisions that we make, whilst seeking and respecting the opinions of others.'

4 Pledge

The Lord Mayor stated:

'May we in this meeting speak honestly, listen attentively, think clearly and decide wisely for the good governance of the City of Adelaide and the wellbeing of those we serve.'

5 Memorial Silence

The Lord Mayor asked all present stand in silence in memory of those who gave their lives in defence of their Country, at sea, on land and in the air.

6 Apologies and Leave of Absence

Nil

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin entered the Council Chamber at 5.36 pm.

7 Confirmation of Minutes - 10/10/2023

Moved by Councillor Noon, Seconded by Councillor Elliott -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 10 October 2023, be taken as read and be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

Carried unanimously

8 Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Nil

9 Deputations

Nil

10 Petitions

The Lord Mayor advised the meeting, that a petition of 14 signatures had been received, in relation to Leigh Street and that the petition would be presented to the next meeting of Council.

The Lord Mayor requested that Item 14.2 - Audit and Risk Committee Chair Report, be brought forward with the Presiding Member of the Audit and Risk Committee present, to give his verbal report.

Moved by Councillor Abrahimzadeh, Seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin –

That Item 14.2 - Audit and Risk Committee Chair Report, be brought forward.

Carried unanimously

10.1 Audit and Risk Committee Chair Report

Mr David Powell, Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee addressed the meeting on his time serving the City of Adelaide Audit and Risk Committee and the highlights of the Committee over the past 12 months.

It was then -

Moved by Councillor Abrahimzadeh, Seconded by Councillor Noon -

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receives the Presiding Member's Annual Report for the 2022-23 financial year as included in Attachment A to Item 14.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of Council held on 24 October 2023.

The Lord Mayor thanked Mr Powell for his service to the City of Adelaide and wished him well.

The motion was then put and carried unanimously

11 Audit and Risk Committee Report - 6 October 2023

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

1. Recommendation 1 – Item 7.3 - Audited Financial Statements & Report on Financial Results

THAT COUNCIL

- 1. Considers that the Consolidated Financial Statements present fairly the financial position of the City of Adelaide, having reviewed the Consolidated Financial Statements for 2022/23, contained in Attachment A to Item 7.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 6 October 2023.
- 2. Receives the City of Adelaide's Consolidated Financial Statements for 2022/23, contained in Attachment A to Item 7.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 6 October 2023, subject to minor administrative changes and subsequent balance date event adjustments, to be certified by the Chief Executive Officer and the Lord Mayor.
- 3. Considers it is appropriate that the representation letter requested by the external auditor, contained in Attachment B to Item 7.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the

Audit and Risk Committee held on 6 October 2023, is signed by management.

- 4. Notes the Certification of Auditor Independence contained in Attachment C to Item 7.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 6 October 2023 by the Chief Executive Officer and the Presiding Member of the Audit and Risk Committee.
- 5. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer and the Lord Mayor to certify the Annual Financial Statements in their final form.
- 6. Notes the Adelaide Economic Development Agency Financial Statements for 2022/23, contained in Attachment D to Item 7.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 6 October 2023, have been reviewed by the Adelaide Economic Development Agency Board at its meeting on 26 September 2023. These financial results are included in the Consolidated Financial Statements of the City of Adelaide, and
 - 6.1. Considers the Financial Statements for 2022/23 present fairly the financial position of the Adelaide Economic Development Agency.
 - 6.2. Notes the Certification of Auditor Independence in relation to Adelaide Economic Development Agency, contained in Attachment E to Item 7.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 6 October 2023 is signed by the Chief Executive Officer and the Presiding Member of the Audit and Risk Committee.
 - 6.3 Notes the representation letter requested by the external auditor of the Adelaide Economic Development Agency, contained in Attachment F to Item 7.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 6 October 2023, is signed by management.
- 7. Notes the Adelaide Park Lands Authority Financial Statements for 2022/23, contained in Attachment G to Item 7.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 6 October 2023, are included in the Consolidated Financial Statements of the City of Adelaide, and
 - 7.1 Considers the Financial Statements for 2022/23 present fairly the financial position of the Adelaide Park Lands Authority and can be certified by the Lord Mayor as Chair of Adelaide Park Lands Authority.
 - 7.2 Considers it is appropriate that the representation letter requested by the external auditor of the Adelaide Park Lands Authority, contained in Attachment H to Item 7.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 6 October 2023, is signed by management.
 - 7.3 Notes the Certification of Auditor Independence in relation to the Adelaide Park Lands Authority, contained in Attachment I to Item 7.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 6 October 2023, and considers it is appropriate to be signed by the Chief Executive Officer and the Presiding Member of the Audit and Risk Committee.
- 8. Notes the Brown Hill and Keswick Creeks Storm Water Board's Financial Statements for 2022/23 as contained in Attachment J to Item 7.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 6 October 2023. Council's equity interest of 8% is included in the Consolidated Financial Statements of the City of Adelaide.
- 9. Recommends the 2022/23 Consolidated Financial Statements of the City of Adelaide, and the Financial Statements of the Adelaide Park Lands Authority, Adelaide Central Market Authority and Brown Hill and Keswick Creeks Stormwater Board be presented to Council for noting on 24 October 2023 and included in the adopted Annual Report.
- Notes the 2022/23 Report on the financial results for the City of Adelaide and its subsidiaries, contained in Attachments K, L, M and N to Item 7.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 6 October 2023.

12 Recommendations of the City Finance and Governance Committee - 17 October 2023

12.1 Recommendation 1 - Item 7.1 – Implementation Plan for AEDA Reviews

Moved by Councillor Siebentritt, Seconded by Councillor Elliott -

THAT COUNCIL:

- 1. Endorses attachment A, AEDA Review Implementation Plan, as outlined in Attachment A to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023.
- 2. Notes the AEDA Review Action Implementation Schedule as provided in Attachment B to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023.
- 3. Notes the BDO workshop output document, Attachment C to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023.
- 4. Notes the intent to provide implementation update reports to the City Finance and Governance Committee in March 2024 and July 2024.

Discussion ensued

Amendment -

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

'That the motion be amended to include an additional part 5 to read as follows:

5. Notes that AEDA be invited to brief the City Finance and Governance Committee on the strategic matters identified in Attachments A & B to Item 7.1 on the agenda for the meeting of the City Finance Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023, for implementation from May 2024 prior to any implementation and invites Administration to also submit to Committee those items in the AEDA Charter which would benefit from updating or amendment.'

Discussion ensued

The amendment was then put and carried unanimously

Discussion continued

CEO Undertaking

In response to queries from Councillor Giles, the CEO gave an undertaking to provide Council Members with clarification of the timeframes around the workshop in the implementation plan.

The motion, as amended, was then put and carried unanimously

12.2 Recommendation 2 - Item 7.2 - Future Fund and Investment Policy and related policies

Moved by Councillor Couros, Seconded by Councillor Abrahimzadeh -

THAT COUNCIL:

- 1. Notes the Future Fund and Investment Policy, Attachment A to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023.
- 2. Notes the Treasury Policy, Attachment B to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023.
- Notes the Acquisition & Disposal of Land & Assets Policy, Attachment C to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023.

Discussion ensued

12.3 Recommendation 3 - Item 7.3 - Delegation to Award Contract

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

THAT COUNCIL:

- 1. Approves the Award of Contract to the preferred tenderer as identified by the Evaluation Panel for the following services:
 - 1.1 Adelaide Town Hall Audio Visual Services
- 2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to execute the relevant contract including the approval of any variation (financial and non-financial) to the contract based on the procurement process conducted.

Carried unanimously

12.4 Recommendation 4 - Item 7.4 - Park Lands Event Site Fees

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

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Approves a discounted fee model for events occupying a Park Lands location for greater than 28 consecutive days.

Discussion ensued

The motion as then put and carried unanimously

12.5 Recommendation 5 - Item 7.5 - Kadaltilla Strategic Plan Annual Review of Progress

Moved by Councillor Elliott, Seconded by Councillor Siebentritt –

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Notes the progress updates provided for financial year 2022/2023 of the Kadaltilla 2020-2025 Strategic Plan as Attachment A to Item 7.5 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023.

Carried unanimously

12.6 Recommendation 6 - Item 7.6 - Council Member Complaints Policy

Moved by Councillor Davis, Seconded by Councillor Couros -

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Notes the review of the mandatory Behavioural Management Policy and requests Administration to provide further advice at an upcoming meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee meeting.

Carried unanimously

12.7 Recommendation 7 - Item 7.7 – Council Member Behavioural Support Policy and Council Member Staff Interaction Policy

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

THAT COUNCIL:

- 1. Endorses the Council Member Behavioural Support Policy as contained in Attachment A to Item 7.7 on the agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023.
- 2. Notes the Council Member Staff Interaction Policy prepared by the Chief Executive Officer as contained in Attachment B to Item 7.7 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023, subject to the following

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changes:

- 2.1 At second dot point of paragraph 2 replace the word "...appropriate ..." with "professional advice".
- 2.2. At 2.1 on Page amend to read ...

If Council members and staff are present at non-Council events eg social and community events, communication between both parties must be respectful and observe the requirements of section 3.7 (Unreasonable Behaviour) of this policy.

3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to make any minor editorial and formatting changes as required to finalise the Council Member Behavioural Support Policy and Council Member Staff Interaction Policy.

Discussion ensued

The motion was then put and carried

Councillor Snape requested that a division be taken on the motion

Division

For (9):

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin and Councillors Abrahimzadeh, Elliott, Giles, Hou, Li, Noon, Siebentritt and Snape.

Against (2):

Councillors Couros and Davis.

The division was declared in favour of the motion

12.8 Recommendation 8 - Item 7.8 – Committee Review

Moved by Councillor Couros, Seconded by Councillor Abrahimzadeh -

THAT COUNCIL:

- 1. Notes that a review of the current Committee Structure will take place after the finalisation of the Strategic Plan 2024-2028, noting that no changes to the current Committee Structure can take place before 31 January 2024.
- 2. Notes the proposed changes to the Committee Recommendation Reports from the core committees as outlined in paragraph 7 of the Discussion section of Agenda Item 7.8 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023.
- 3. Requests administration to provide a report on an alternative structure and/or cost saving method.

Much discussion ensued, during which with the consent of the mover and seconder, the Lord Mayor advised the motion would be taken in parts.

Parts 1 and 2 of the motion, were then put and carried unanimously

Part 3 of the motion, was then put and lost

Councillor Couros requested that a division be taken on Part 3 of the motion

Division

For (4):

Councillors Abrahimzadeh, Couros, Davis and Hou.

Against (7):

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin and Councillors Elliott, Giles, Li, Noon, Siebentritt and Snape.

The division was declared against Part 3 of the motion

12.9 Recommendation 9 - Item 7.9 – Draft Strategic Plan 2024-2028 for Consultation

Moved by Councillor Abrahimzadeh, Seconded by Councillor Siebentritt -

THAT COUNCIL:

- 1. Endorses the draft Strategic Plan 2024-2028, Attachment A to Item 7.9 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023, for public consultation, commencing 9.00am Friday 27 October to 9.00am Monday 20 November 2023.
- 2. Notes that the public consultation for the draft Strategic Plan 2024-2028 meets the minimum 21 day public consultation requirements of Section 50 of the Local Government Act 1999.

Discussion ensued

The motion was then put and carried

12.10 Recommendation 10 - Item 7.10 - City of Adelaide Annual Report 2022/23

Moved by Councillor Noon, Seconded by Councillor Elliott -

THAT COUNCIL:

- 1. Adopts the draft City of Adelaide Annual Report 2022/23 as provided in Attachment A to Item 7.10 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023.
- 2. Adopts the Adelaide Central Market Authority Annual Report 2022/23 as provided in Attachment B to Item 7.10 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023.
- 3. Adopts the draft Adelaide Economic Development Agency Annual Report 2022/23 as provided in Attachment C to Item 7.10 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023.
- 4. Adopts the draft Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority Annual Report 2022/23 as provided in Attachment D to Item 7.10 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023.
- 5. Adopts the draft Brown Hill and Keswick Creeks Stormwater Board Annual Report 2022/23 as provided in Attachment E to Item 7.10 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 17 October 2023.
- 6. Notes that the Chief Executive Officer will make any editorial amendments resulting from a recommendation of Council and any formatting changes to the 2022/23 Annual Report.

Carried unanimously

13 Recommendations of the Infrastructure and Public Works Committee - 17 October 2023

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

13.1 Recommendation 1 - Item 7.2 - O-Bahn City Access Project - Land Tenure arrangements

THAT COUNCIL

- 1. Notes that the O-Bahn City Access Project was completed in 2018 and that it is now necessary to change the land tenure in the vicinity of the new O-Bahn track so that it is consistent with the terms (and intent) of the Project Deed that was entered into between the City of Adelaide and the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure in 2016.
- 2. Notes that the Surveyor-General has written to Council (Attachment A to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Infrastructure and Public Works Committee held on 17 October 2023), requesting that it approve and execute the documents shown as Appendices A-D in the letter to give effect to the required changes in land tenure, the documents being:

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- 2.1 Instrument for the Minister for Planning to vary GRO Plan 01/2014 pursuant to the Adelaide Park Lands Act (SA) 2005 which is shown as Appendix A to the letter.
- 2.2 Instrument to change the status of land and vest easement rights which is shown as Appendix B to the letter.
- 2.3 Application on behalf of the Minister for Climate, Environment and Water for deposit of a plan of division and issue of new certificates of title (Form RTD) which is shown as Appendix C to the letter.
- 2.4 Application for the variation of easement between the Minister for Climate, Environment and Water and Distribution Lessor Corporation (to vary existing easement rights) (Form VE) – which is shown as Appendix D to the letter.
- 3. Approves the documents listed as Appendices A-D in Attachment A to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Infrastructure and Public Works Committee held on 17 October 2023 (or documents substantially in accordance with those documents) and any other documents to give effect to the land tenure changes requested by the Surveyor-General.
- 4. Approves providing the necessary concurrences (pursuant to the Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005 (SA)) in order to give effect to the land tenure changes requested by the Surveyor-General.
- 5. Notes that the 'long-form' easements proposed to be granted (Easements B, C, D, E, F, G, H, J, K and R) and 'varied' (Easement P) are summarised in Attachment B to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Infrastructure and Public Works Committee held on 17 October 2023.
- 6. Authorises the Lord Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to execute and affix the Common Seal of the Council to the documents listed as Appendices A-D in Attachment A to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Infrastructure and Public Works Committee held on 17 October 2023 and any other documents that may be required in order to give effect to the changes in land tenure that have been requested by the Surveyor-General.

13.2 Recommendation 2 - Item 7.1 – Recommended Levels of Service for Public Lighting & Electrical Asset Management Plan

THAT COUNCIL

- 1. Notes the results of the community consultation undertaken to benchmark current user satisfaction for Public Lighting and Electrical assets.
- 2. Approves the development of an interim Public Lighting and Electrical Asset Management Plan based on the planning principles and recommended management strategies presented within this report.

Carried unanimously

13.3 Recommendation 3 - Item 7.3 - Electric Vehicle (EV) Transition Roadmap

Moved by Councillor Elliott, Seconded by Councillor Snape -

THAT COUNCIL

- 1. Approves the Electric Vehicle (EV) Transition Roadmap contained in Attachment A to Item 7.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Infrastructure and Public Works Committee held on 17 October 2023.
- 2. Notes the directions from the Electric Vehicle (EV) Transition Roadmap will be incorporated into a consolidated Climate and Sustainability Strategy to be presented to the Audit and Risk Committee by December 2023.
- Notes the Electric Vehicle (EV) Transition Roadmap will inform budget proposals for 2024/25 to be considered by Council through the annual business plan and budget process.
- 4. Notes the following actions from the Electric Vehicle (EV) Transition Roadmap will commence in 2023/24:

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- 4.1. Facilitate the deployment of EV charging infrastructure with the City of Adelaide by establishing a clear framework for the rollout of EV chargers at strategic locations.
- 4.2. Enable the market-led provision of on-street EV chargers in select locations which support the transition to EVs and minimise impacts on the public realm.
- 4.3. Work with private sector providers to trial on-street charging in residential areas with limited private off-street charging and constrained charging options.
- 5. Request administration make inclusions to the roadmap for e-bike charging and secure storage facilities, and develop approaches that anticipate and facilitate the increased adoption of electric cargo bikes and small commercial electric delivery vehicles, subject to consideration by the Infrastructure and Public Works Committee no later than July 2024.

Discussion ensued, during which Councillor Elliott raised a point of order around photo's being taken in the Council Chamber during the meeting and the Lord Mayor reminded Council Members that taking recordings and photos during the meeting is not permitted.

The motion was then put and carried unanimously

13.4 Recommendation 4 - Item 8.1 - Capital Project Update – September 2023

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

THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes the Capital Works Program Update for September 2023 as contained within this report and Attachment A to Item 8.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Infrastructure & Public Works Committee held on 17 October 2023.

Discussion ensued

The motion was then put and carried unanimously

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

14.1 LGA AGM Voting Delegate

Councillor Snape nominated Councillor Giles, who accepted the nomination.

There being no further nominations, it was then -

Moved by Councillor Snape, Seconded by Councillor Noon -

THAT COUNCIL

1. Appoints Councillor Giles as a City of Adelaide deputy delegate at the Local Government Association SA general meetings for the 2022-2026 council term, in the absence of the Lord Mayor or Councillor Noon being able to attend.

Discussion ensued

The motion was then put and carried unanimously

15 Lord Mayor's Reports

The Lord Mayor addressed the meeting on the lowering of the Aboriginal flags on 17 October 2023, to demonstrate support for the Week of Silence following the result of The Voice referendum.

It was then -

Moved by Councillor Couros, Seconded by Councillor Elliott -

That the report be received and noted.

16 Councillors' Reports

16.1 Reports from Council Members

Councillor Noon addressed the meeting on her attendance at the National Live Music Awards.

Councillor Elliott addressed the meeting on his attendance at a book launch and judging a student project for the University of SA.

Councillor Davis addressed the meeting on his attendance at the Oz Asia Festival and the closing of Adelaide Fashion Week.

It was then -

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

THAT COUNCIL

- 1. Notes the Council Member activities and functions attended on behalf of the Lord Mayor (Attachment A to Item 16.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council held on 24 October 2023).
- 2. Notes the summary of Council members' meeting attendance (Attachment B to Item 16.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council held on 24 October 2023), subject to identified amendments for the sake of accuracy and the correction of Cr Li's attendance at 27 September board meeting of the Australia Day Council SA.
- 3. Notes that reports from Council Members tabled at the meeting of the Council held on 24 October 2023 be included in the Minutes of the meeting.

Carried unanimously

17 Motions on Notice

17.1 Councillor Couros - MoN - Outdoor Dining Fees

Councillor Couros withdrew her motion from consideration.

17.2 Councillor Abrahimzadeh - MoN - Leigh St Thoroughfare

Moved by Councillor Abrahimzadeh, Seconded by Councillor Hou -

That Council:

- Notes Leigh Street is part of the Market to Riverbank Link Project;
- Requests administration to review relevant Council policies in order to streamline pedestrian thoroughfare and give Leigh Street traders a degree of flexibility with setting up their outdoor dining furniture.

Discussion ensued

CEO Undertaking

In response to a query from Councillor Elliott, the CEO gave an undertaking to provide Council Members with information on the next review of the Outdoor Dining Policy.

The motion was then put and carried

Councillor Couros requested that a division be taken on the motion

Division

For (6):

Councillors Abrahimzadeh, Couros, Davis, Hou, Li and Siebentritt.

Against (5):

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin and Councillors Elliott, Giles, Noon and Snape.

The division was declared in favour of the motion

17.3 Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Martin) - MoN - Strategic Property Review

Discussion ensued

The Presiding Member with approval of the two-thirds of the members present, adjourned the meeting at 7.24 pm for a period of 5 minutes.

The meeting resumed at 7.29 pm with all Council Members present.

It was then -

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

That Council:

Asks the Administration to suspend asset sales and the disposal of existing underperforming assets approved by the previous Council as part of Strategic Property Review pending further consideration by the current Council.

Much discussion ensued, during which Councillor Elliott raised a point of order around photography in the Council Chamber and the Lord Mayor reminded Councillor Davis that recording or the taking of photo's during the meetings is not permitted.

The motion was then put and carried

Councillor Davis requested that a division be taken on the motion

Division

For (7):

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin and Councillors Elliott, Giles, Li, Noon, Siebentritt and Snape.

Against (4):

Councillors Abrahimzadeh, Couros, Davis and Hou.

The division was declared in favour of the motion

17.4 Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Martin) - MoN - Future Fund Name

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

That Council:

Noting that there are no cash funds and never can be cash funds in the so called "Future Fund" identified in the Long Term Financial Plan, asks the Administration to seek advice on an alternative descriptor that could accurately and transparently record the value of City of Adelaide property assets sold and acquired since 2018 and whether such records should be recorded in the Long Term Financial Plan or an alternative document.

Discussion ensued, during which Councillor Davis moved an amendment that the Future Fund be renamed the Strategic Investment Reserve, which lapsed for want of a seconder.

The motion was then put and carried

Councillor Couros requested that a division be taken on the motion

Division

For (7):

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin and Councillors Elliott, Giles, Li, Noon, Siebentritt and Snape.

Against (4):

Councillors Abrahimzadeh, Couros, Davis and Hou.

The division was declared in favour of the motion

Councillor Abrahimzadeh left the meeting at 8.01 pm.

17.5 Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Martin) - MoN - Micro Mobility Insurance

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin, withdrew his motion from consideration.

18 Motions without Notice

Discussion ensued

19 Questions on Notice

19.1 Councillor Couros - QoN - Expenditure Nov 2022 - Oct 2023

19.2 Councillor Couros - QoN - Round Table Discussions

19.3 Councillor Abrahimzadeh - QoN - GIG Worker Hub

The Questions and Replies having been distributed and published prior to the meeting were taken as read.

The replies for Item 19.1 - 19.3, are attached for reference at the end of the Minutes of the meeting.

The CEO gave an undertaking to provide a breakdown of the figures for Item 19.1, as a result of further questions received from Council Members. The further information, is attached for reference at the end of the Minutes of the meeting.

20 Questions without Notice

Discussion ensued

21 Exclusion of the Public

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

THAT COUNCIL:

 Having taken into account the relevant consideration contained in section 90(3) (a) and section 90(2) & (7) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)*, this meeting of the Council dated 24 October 2023 resolves that it is necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public as the consideration of Item 22 [Recommendations of the City Finance and Governance Committee – 17 October 2023] 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 contains confidential information that must be considered in confidence in order to protect the personal affairs of the nominee.

Public discussion and disclosure of information in this report prior to a resolution being determined by Council may potentially implicate the nominee's reputation in the business community.

2. Pursuant to section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA) (the Act), this meeting of the Council dated 24 October 2023 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 22 [Recommendations of the City Finance and Governance Committee – 17 October 2023] 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) (a) of the Act.

Carried

Members of the public and Corporation staff present not directly involved with Item 22, left the Council Chamber at 8.10 pm.

- 22 Confidential Recommendations of the City Finance and Governance Committee 17 October 2023
- 22.1 Confidential Recommendation 1 Item 10.1 Appointment of the Adelaide Economic Development Agency Board Chairperson
- 22.2 Confidential Recommendation 2 Item 10.2 Appointment of Independent Audit and Risk Committee members

The meeting re-opened to the public at 8.15 pm.

Item 22 - Confidential Recommendations of the City Finance and Governance Committee – 17 October 2023

Confidentiality Orders

Recommendation 1 – Item 10.1 – Appointment of the Adelaide Economic Development Agency Board Chairperson

Authorises that, in accordance with Section 91(7) & (9) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA) and on the grounds that Item 22 [Recommendation 1 - Appointment of the Adelaide Economic Development Agency Board Chairperson] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council held on 24 October 2023 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA), this meeting of the Council do order that:

- 1. The resolution, report, discussion and any other associated information submitted to this meeting in relation to the matter remain confidential and not available for public inspection until 16 December 2023.
- 2. 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 to containing the Item for which the confidentiality order has been revoked.

Recommendation 2 - Item 10.2 – Appointment of Independent Audit and Risk Committee members

Authorises that, in accordance with Section 91(7) & (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)* and on the grounds that Item 22 [Recommendation 2 - Appointment of Independent Audit and Risk Committee members] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council held on 24 October 2023 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)*, this meeting of the Council do order that:

- 1. The resolution, report, discussion and any other associated information submitted to this meeting in relation to the matter remain confidential and not available for public inspection until 31 October 2023.
- 2. 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 to containing the Item for which the confidentiality order has been revoked.

Closure

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm

Dr Jane Lomax-Smith Lord Mayor

Date of confirmation:

Attached Documents:

Minute 19 - Replies for Item 19.1 – 19.3, distributed separately and extra information as undertaken by the CEO.

Minute Item 19.1

Expenditure Nov 2022 – Oct 2023

Tuesday, 24 October 2023 Council

Council Member Councillor Couros

Contact Officer: Clare Mockler, Chief Executive Officer

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Couros will ask the following Question on Notice:

'Can the administration please provide expenditure for the following items between November 2022 – October 23

- 1. Expenditure on External Facilitators for the Council Member Induction, Training and Workshops
- 2. Expenditure on Independent External Consultants
- 3. Legal Advice on Governance Issues
- 4. The Cost of the Revised Committee Structure'

REPLY

Public

1. The expenditure incurred within the new Council term on External Facilitators for the Council Member Induction, Training and Workshops is \$49k as at the end of September 2023. This includes all expenses invoiced to date.

- 2. Expenditure incurred by Council for the period November 2022 to September 2023 (inclusive) on Independent External Consultants is \$4.459 million.
- 3. Expenditure incurred by Council for the period November 2022 to September 2023 (inclusive) on Legal Advice on Governance Issues is \$36k.
- 4. The cost of the Revised Committee Structure from January 2023 is \$48k, which includes the Committee Chair allowances, and an additional FTE from 1 July 2023 as adopted in the 2023/24 budget.

Staff time in receiving and preparing this reply	To prepare this reply in response to the question on notice took approximately 5.5 hours.
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CEO Undertaking – Further Breakdown of figures for Item 19.1

Part 1

Initial Induction - \$12,884 Governance Structure - \$12,500 Mandatory Legal Training - \$18,320 Other Induction Training - \$5,556

Part 2

The \$4.459m represents Consultants expenditure across two final years:

November 2022 to June 2023 - \$3.919m

July – September 2023 - \$540k

The figures reflect expenditure across 17 Programs with significant spend in the People (\$222k), Information Management (\$781k), Infrastructure (\$303k), Strategic Property (\$298k), City Culture (\$548k), Park Lands (\$1.140m) and Capital Design (\$731K) Programs.

The total expenditure needs to be considered in the context of the Professional Services expenses (\$6.710m) recorded in the 2022/23 Annual Financial Statements.

Part 4

Additional Chair Allowances - \$20k Additional Staff (1 FTE since July 2023) - \$28k

Main Street Round Table Discussions

Tuesday, 24 October 2023 Council

Council Member Councillor Couros

Contact Officer: Ilia Houridis, Director City Shaping

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Couros will ask the following Question on Notice:

'Can administration please advise the following:-

- 1. The total number of round table discussions held during the last term of the council?
- 2. The primary topics or issues addressed in each of these discussions?
- 3. A list of community members, organisations or stakeholders or participated in these discussions?
- 4. Can the reports generated from these discussions be made available to elected members as soon as possible?'

REPLY

Public

- 1. In the 2018-2022 term of Council, there were 37 Lord Mayor's Main Street Round Tables.
- 2. Terms of Reference were created for each of the Roundtable groups. The Terms of Reference for the Lord Mayor's Melbourne Street Roundtable is provided here as a sample [Link 1 view <u>here</u>].
- 3. The minutes reflect a wide variety of topics and issues which were discussed at each Round Table, reflecting issues unique to each main street, including:
 - 3.1. Place identity and aspirations
 - 3.2. Vision and guiding principles for Master Planning
 - 3.3. Transport, traffic and access
 - 3.4. Infrastructure and upgrades
 - 3.5. Safety and presentation
 - 3.6. Action Plans including improvements, marketing initiatives and activations.
- 4. The attendees for each Main Street Round Table included businesses, representatives from community groups and precinct associations and other key stakeholders. Attendees are listed in the minutes that will be circulated this week. A sample is provided here [Link 2 view here].
- 5. The minutes from the Lord Mayor's Main Street Round Tables will be made available to Council Members via E-News this week.
- 6. There have been no formal Lord Mayor's Roundtables during this term of Council. The Hindley Street stakeholder group continues to meet periodically with attendance by Administration.

Staff time in receiving and preparing this reply	To prepare this reply in response to the question on notice took approximately 4.5 hours.
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GIG Worker Hub

Tuesday, 24 October 2023 Council

Council Member Councillor Abrahimzadeh

Contact Officer: Clare Mockler, Chief Executive Officer

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Abrahimzadeh will ask the following Question on Notice:

'Could Administration advise what working spaces and services (and amenity) are currently available in the City of Adelaide for GIG Economy Workers, as this is a growing part of our city's economy.'

REPLY

- 1. The gig economy has grown rapidly in Australia leveraging the development of mobile apps or websites to connect individuals providing services to consumers.
- 2. Typically, gig economy workers are engaged to provide particular projects or tasks and this makes their ability to lease office space in a traditional way problematic.
- 3. The rise of the gig economy as well as organisations seeking more flexible working approaches has increased interest in alternative leasing arrangements such as co-working spaces. These spaces are leased on hourly, daily, weekly, monthly or even annual arrangements. They provide the flexibility to offer short term hire as well as scale up or down in response to demand for services.
- 4. Within the City of Adelaide there are more than 20 co-working spaces operating. These include facilities such as Hub Adelaide, WOTSO Workspace and The Innovation Factory. A comprehensive list of these spaces is available on the AEDA website. Some of the co-working spaces cater to specific industries whilst others are general. Most coworking spaces offer amenities such as kitchen facilities, bike storage and wellness rooms. Some complement their hire of space by offering events, workshops and training to people making use of that space.
- 5. Additional amenities and services, beyond co-working spaces that are accessible to Gig workers in the City of Adelaide include council's libraries and the State Library. Both offer free wi-fi, quiet workspaces, bookable meeting rooms and access to computer and printing facilities.

Staff time in receiving and preparing this reply	To prepare this reply in response to the question on notice took approximately 4 hours.

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