

Council Member
Councillor Noon

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MOTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Noon will move a motion and seek a seconder for the matter shown below to facilitate consideration by the Council:

'That:

1. The City of Adelaide (CoA) directs AEDA to increase the annual funding for each Precinct from \$25,000 to \$35,000 to accommodate CPI increases and the increase in costs that have occurred since their inception.
2. The Precincts are encouraged to use a portion of this increase in developing their individual Strategic Plan that will inform and assist the Council in the city's strategic planning processes.'

ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

1. At its meeting on 27 June 2023 Council approved the AEDA 2023/24 Annual Business Plan and Budget which includes funding of \$179,000 for the Mainstreet Development program used to provide funding to seven precinct groups. This equates to \$25,571 per group in 2023-24.
2. Increasing funding to \$35,000 per precinct group would require an additional \$66,000 for the Main Street Development program. This has not been provisioned within the AEDA Budget so the additional allocation would need to be considered by Council as part of a quarterly review process.
3. KPMG and Deloitte have finalised their reviews of AEDA with both providing recommendations relating to the management of precinct groups and AEDA's relationship with them. At its 15 August 2023 meeting the City Finance and Governance Committee recommended Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to work with the AEDA Board and City of Adelaide administration to implement the recommendations of the KPMG and Deloitte reviews.
4. This process provides an opportunity to look at Council's approach to precinct management and local economic development including precinct groups. It would be appropriate for consideration of additional funding for precinct groups to be undertaken through that process.
5. A transition of Council's placemaking focus from Main Street Revitalisation to Citywide Place Coordination, with a Place Coordinator allocated to each area of the city to collaborate with local stakeholders including precinct groups, is currently underway.

Should the motion be carried, the following implications of this motion should be considered. Note any costs provided are estimates only – no quotes or prices have been obtained:	
Public consultation	Not applicable
External consultant advice	Not applicable
Legal advice / litigation (eg contract breach)	Not applicable
Impacts on existing projects	Not applicable
Budget reallocation	Not applicable
Capital investment	Not applicable
Staff time in preparing the workshop / report requested in the motion	Not applicable
Other	Not applicable
Staff time in receiving and preparing this administration comment	To prepare this administration comment in response to the motion on notice took approximately 4 hours.

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