Councillor Noon - MoN - Minute silence for lives lost on roads this year and a review / audit of the CoA's Road Safety Strategy Tuesday, 28 November 2023 Council

Council Member Councillor Carmel Noon

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MOTION ON NOTICE

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

'That Council:

- 1. Extends its deepest condolences to Commissioner Grant Stevens, his wife Emma and family for their loss.
- 2. In solidarity with all those who have endured the pain of losing loved ones on the roads this year, we call for a minutes silence to honour the precious lives that have left an irreplaceable void in the hearts of their families and friends.
- 3. That Council Administration provide an overview of the CoA's Road Safety Strategy to urgently address the high rate of collisions between motorists, cyclists and pedestrians, including but not limited to:
 - 3.1 Black Spots
 - the effectiveness of black spot identification and mitigation measures
 - assess the accuracy of the audit process in identifying high-risk areas
 - analyze the implementation of recommended safety measures in identified black spots
 - 3.2 Speed Limits
 - the appropriateness of current speed limits on various roads
 - the correlation between speed limits and accident rates
 - road safety experts regarding recommended speed limits
 - 3.3 Bike Infrastructure
 - Review the existing bike infrastructure
 - Assess the connectivity and safety of bike lanes, paths, and other facilities
 - Evaluate the impact of bike infrastructure on overall road safety
 - 3.4 Consultation with Road Safety Experts
 - Outline the process and extent of consultation with road safety experts
 - Incorporate feedback and recommendations provided by these experts
 - Assess the alignment of the strategy with best practices and expert advice.
 - 3.5 Data Analysis
 - Utilisation of relevant statistical data to evaluate the impact of the strategy
 - trends in road accidents, injuries, and fatalities
 - Assess whether the implemented measures have led to improvements
 - 3.6 Public Engagement
 - Evaluate the effectiveness of public awareness campaigns related to road safety
 - Assess public feedback and perceptions regarding the CoA Road Safety Strategy

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3.7 Recommendations

- Provide recommendations for refining the CoA Road Safety Strategy
- Suggest potential areas for additional investment or improvement and or how the CoA can work with the LGA, State and Federal Governments especially with the recent Federal Government announcement of the doubling of Roads to Recovery funding annually for Councils (from \$500M to \$1B), to ensure that SA gets a fair share of the funding.'

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ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

- 1. If Council resolves to support the Motion, a minute silence to honour the lives of those who have died on the roads this year will be included in the agenda for the Council meeting on 12 December 2023.
- 2. Road safety forms part of the overall Transport Strategy due to the different components of a transport network and road safety being highly interconnected.
- 3. The Integrated Transport Strategy is currently out for tender. Tender submissions close in December 2023 and the appointment of a consultant is expected in early 2024. The Integrated Transport Strategy will replace the existing Smart Moves strategy.
- 4. Current activities supporting road safety, and which will fall under the umbrella of the Integrated Transport Strategy include:
 - 4.1. City-Wide Speed Limit Review, which is currently in progress with recommendations to be presented to Council in late 2024.
 - 4.2. School Zone Safety Review, which is currently underway with the first Council report scheduled for April 2024.
 - 4.3. Traffic Signal Review Expression of Interest process has concluded, and a Business Plan and Budget proposal will be brought to Council for funding consideration in the 2024/25 Business Plan.
 - 4.4. City of Adelaide has received Black Spot Funding for three projects. being intersections at Currie / Morphett Streets, Jeffcott / Ward Streets and Morphett Street / South Terrace. The improvements to these intersections will be completed this financial year.
 - 4.5. Cycling infrastructure projects continue with Frome Road North / South bikeway currently out to tender with works anticipated to commence early in 2024.
- 5. Should the Motion be carried, due to resourcing challenges the Administration will engage a consultant to prepare a report on road safety activities and support within the City of Adelaide to be presented to Council in the first quarter of 2024/25 financial year.

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	\$30,000
Legal advice / litigation (eg contract breach)	Not applicable
Impacts on existing projects	Not applicable
Budget reallocation	Additional budget allocation to be determined.
Capital investment	Not applicable
Staff time in preparing the workshop / report requested in the motion	3 weeks
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 5.5 hours.