

City Plan – Adelaide 2036 - Project Update

Strategic Alignment - Our Places

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City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with information about the continuing development of City Plan – Adelaide 2036 including where Council can access information on progress and the approach to stakeholder and community engagement and key dates to deliver the final City Plan by June 2024.

In 2023 the focus of the City Plan project was developing an evidence base through the creation of the City Plan digital tool, accessibility metrics, and future development scenarios. This body of work was developed with input from Council, the City of Adelaide (CoA) Strategic Plan 2024-2028 and targeted stakeholder engagement. The Stage 1 and 2 report was finalised in October 2023.

In 2024 the focus is to create a place-based response to achieving the target population of 50,000 residents by 2036. This work is building on the key themes from the City Plan studio engagement plus key strategic documents including the Strategic Plan 2024-2028, Housing Strategy – *Investing in our Housing Future*, draft Integrated Climate Strategy, draft Economic Development Strategy (in progress), Urban Greening Strategy (in progress) and Integrated Transport Strategy (in progress).

The City Plan will meet the objectives of the Capital City Committee, as co-funder of the project, to inform a sub-regional plan of the Greater Adelaide Regional Plan. The milestones outlined in this report are timed to present the City Plan to Council by 30 June 2024.

RECOMMENDATION

The following recommendation will be presented to Council on 12 March 2024 for consideration.

THAT THE CITY PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL

THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes the approach to provide regular updates on the City Plan project to 30 June 2024 via the Council Members portal.
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IMPLICATIONS AND FINANCIALS

City of Adelaide 2024-2028 Strategic Plan	Strategic Alignment – Our Places Encourage bold, interesting and purposeful development
Policy	City Plan forms part of the City of Adelaide’s suite of Strategic Management Plans as outlined in the Strategic Plan 2024-2028. It is a recommendation in Council’s submission to the Greater Adelaide Regional Plan (GARP) discussion paper in November 2023 that the City Plan should be adopted as a sub-regional plan of the GARP.
Consultation	Community consultation will occur online and through in-person focus groups. Residents, workers, businesses and visitors will be invited to provide input into City Plan via the online mapping tool, small focus groups will build upon this feedback.
Resource	Not as a result of this report
Risk / Legal / Legislative	Not as a result of this report
Opportunities	The digital City Plan tool has commenced internal use as an analytical resource for assessments such as the electric vehicle roadmap, and options and impacts for Planning and Design Code policy through Council’s Code Amendment program. It is being used to house the City of Adelaide data relevant to the draft Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy.
23/24 Budget Allocation	The 2023/24 annual budget includes a strategic project allocation of \$390,000 to deliver the City Plan by June 2024.
Proposed 24/25 Budget Allocation	Not as a result of this report
Life of Project, Service, Initiative or (Expectancy of) Asset	The City Plan is scheduled to be delivered by 30 June 2024 and has a 10-year planning focus.
23/24 Budget Reconsideration (if applicable)	Resourcing to manage additional data inputs to grow the City Plan digital tool is being managed within the Park Lands, Policy and Sustainability Program budget.
Ongoing Costs (eg maintenance cost)	Not as a result of this report
Other Funding Sources	City of Adelaide received \$200,000 in grant funding across two financial years for the project through the Capital City Committee which concludes on 30 June 2024.

DISCUSSION

Background

1. The City Plan is being prepared to facilitate and guide future growth and development in the City of Adelaide. The City Plan forms part of the City of Adelaide's suite of Strategic Management Plans as outlined in the City of Adelaide Strategic Plan 2024-2028. A key deliverable of City Plan is an investment prospectus.
2. City Plan Stage 1 (April 2023 – June 2023) incorporated and built on a significant body of existing research to create the evidence base for City Plan – *Adelaide 2036*. A draft digital tool was developed using over 400 data sets collected from the ABS Census and the City of Adelaide.
3. The datasets enabled detailed spatial analysis and modelling of the accessibility and walkability of the city considering key metrics for living in the city and climate scenarios.
4. City Plan Stage 2 (July 2023 – October 2023) involved targeted stakeholder engagement including the 'City Plan Studio' hosted from 1 to 15 September 2023. The studio engaged with 536 stakeholders from key industry, government, non-government and community groups. The engagement tested draft development and growth scenarios using the digital tool.
5. Six key themes arose from targeted engagement, as follows:
 - 5.1. Kaurna collaboration
 - 5.2. A Greener City
 - 5.3. Transit Focussed Growth
 - 5.4. A City of Neighbourhoods
 - 5.5. Enabling the Missing Middle
 - 5.6. Re-imagine the Western (City) Edge(s).
6. The Stage 1 and 2 report was completed in October 2023 and is the foundation for ongoing development of the City Plan.

City Plan Stage 3 (January 2024 – April 2024)

7. Stage 3 of City Plan involves refining development and growth scenarios from Stage 1 to prepare the draft City Plan. Stage 3 is being undertaken with support from consultants ARUP, URPS and Aboriginal Urban Design.
8. The outputs from City Plan Stages 1 and 2, along with relevant targets and actions from the City of Adelaide Strategic Plan 2024-2028 and Council's suite of strategies including the Housing Strategy, Homelessness Strategy, draft Integrated Climate Strategy, draft Economic Development Strategy, Urban Greening Strategy (in progress) and Integrated Transport Strategy (in progress), are informing the draft City Plan.
9. Stakeholder engagement activities are continuing for Stage 3 through a resident and business survey. Focus groups for residents, workers, businesses and visitors are being scheduled in April 2024 to validate the outcomes of the survey process.
10. Engagement in Stage 3 is seeking to inform Administration of broad views across our communities regarding local identities, neighbourhoods, growth opportunities, and expectations on amenities and infrastructure as the city continues to grow.

City Plan Stage 4 (April 2024 – June 2024)

11. The final City Plan is being prepared for 30 June 2024 and will:
 - 11.1. Respond to community inputs.
 - 11.2. Identify key drivers for economic growth, and recommendations on policy and overarching intervention measures underpinned by the six key themes.
 - 11.3. Deliver both the internal and externally facing City Plan digital tool.

Next Steps

12. Administration has established a City Plan project page on the [Council Members portal](#) to provide regular updates on progress with City Plan to 30 June 2024. The portal contains a link to the public facing digital tool, the outputs from Stage 1 and Stage 2, as well as background research and key investigations informing City Plan.

13. The table below outlines project milestones which will be updated via the portal as part of Stage 3 and Stage 4.

Date	Item	Purpose
1 March – 12 April 2024	Drop-pin survey	Community feedback for incorporation into City Plan
5 March 2024	Committee Meeting	City Plan project update including where Council can access information on progress and the approach to stakeholder and community engagement and key dates to deliver the final City Plan by June 2024
12 March 2024	Council Meeting	As above
2 April 2024	Committee Meeting	Draft City Plan for public consultation
9 April 2024	Council Meeting	Draft City Plan for public consultation
3 April – 12 April 2024	Resident Focus Groups	Local neighbourhood identity research for incorporation into City Plan
20 May 2024	Consultation Summary Report	Finalise consultation inputs and draft City Plan
4 June 2024	Committee Meeting	Present consultation findings together with final City Plan
June 2024	Council Meeting	Council decision on the City Plan

14. Council Members will receive fortnightly project status updates through E-news, and supporting materials will be available on the portal.
15. Council will have the opportunity to input into the draft City Plan in April 2024.
16. Presentation of a final draft City Plan is targeting presentation to Council in June 2024.
17. Additional engagement opportunities will be available in 2024 to support the finalisation and ongoing implementation of the City Plan, including:
- 17.1. Submission to the draft Greater Adelaide Regional Plan (tentatively scheduled for release by the State Government in late 2024).
 - 17.2. City of Adelaide Code Amendment program.
 - 17.3. Ongoing development of key City of Adelaide strategies (e.g. Integrated Transport Plan).
 - 17.4. Submission to key State strategies (such as the draft State Infrastructure Strategy tentatively scheduled for release in late 2024).

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

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