

Petition – Light Square Master Plan

Tuesday, 25 February 2025
Council

Strategic Alignment - Our Corporation

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report presents a petition for Council to receive. The petition asks Council to:

'Demand an immediate halt to the progress of the Light Square Master Plan, due to serious concerns regarding financial transparency, traffic disruptions, economic harm to local businesses, inadequate consultation and the lack of alternative transport solutions.'

There are 812 petitioners listed on the petition, with the following exceptions:

- 95 petitioners did not list their address;
- 3 petitioners did not list their name; and
- 1 petitioner did not sign the petition with a signature.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT COUNCIL

1. Receives the petition containing 713 valid signatories, distributed as a separate document to Item 10.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council held on 25 February 2025.
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IMPLICATIONS AND FINANCIALS

City of Adelaide 2024-2028 Strategic Plan	Strategic Alignment – Our Corporation Presentation of petitions align with the Strategic Plan Key Action to listen and respond to our community, embedding their perspective to support decision-making
Policy	Not as a result of this report
Consultation	Not as a result of this report
Resource	Not as a result of this report
Risk / Legal / Legislative	Petition presented for receipt in accordance with the <i>Local Government (Procedures at Meetings Regulations 2013 (SA)</i> and the Council's Code of Practice for Meeting Procedures.
Opportunities	Not as a result of this report
24/25 Budget Allocation	Not as a result of this report
Proposed 25/26 Budget Allocation	Not as a result of this report
Life of Project, Service, Initiative or (Expectancy of) Asset	Not as a result of this report
24/25 Budget Reconsideration (if applicable)	Not as a result of this report
Ongoing Costs (eg maintenance cost)	Not as a result of this report
Other Funding Sources	Not as a result of this report

DISCUSSION

1. A petition containing 812 petitioners, was tabled by Councillor Davis at the meeting of Council held on 11 February 2025, seeking the following action:
'Demand an immediate halt to the progress of the Light Square Master Plan, due to serious concerns regarding financial transparency, traffic disruptions, economic harm to local businesses, inadequate consultation and the lack of alternative transport solutions.'
2. The Chief Executive Officer must ensure the petition is placed on the agenda for the next ordinary meeting of Council. The original petition will be distributed to all Council Members separately.
3. Members of the public may seek a copy of the original petition upon written request to the Chief Executive Officer.
4. The petition has been considered pursuant to regulation 10 of the *Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013 (SA)* (the Regulations) and in accordance with the requirements of the Code of Practice for Meeting Procedures, the petition meets the requirements with the following exceptions:
 - 4.1. 95 petitioners did not list their address
 - 4.2. 3 petitioners did not list their name
 - 4.3. 1 petitioner did not sign the petition with a signature.
5. The petition is presented for Council to receive, with 713 valid signatories.
6. Petitioners represented the following geographical locations:
 - 6.1. Adelaide 5000 and North Adelaide 5006: 241 Signatories
 - 6.2. Other South Australian suburbs: 445 Signatories
 - 6.3. Interstate: 5 Signatories
 - 6.4. No address and/or incomplete address: 121 Signatories

ATTACHMENTS

Petition distributed separately to Lord Mayor and Councillors

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