

Appointment of Dual Chair and Deputy Chair

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Reconciliation Committee

Strategic Alignment - Our Corporation

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks to enable the City of Adelaide Reconciliation Committee (the Committee) to appoint a Dual Chair and a Deputy Chair for the remainder of the 2022-2026 Council Term.

In establishing the Committee on 13 December 2022, Council appointed the Lord Mayor to one of the Dual Chair positions and delegated to the Committee the authority to appoint the subsequent positions of Dual Chair and Deputy Chair. In accordance with the Reconciliation Committee Terms of Reference and Meeting Procedures, the Dual and Deputy Chair positions must be filled by Committee Members appointed to the Committee as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community Representatives.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE

1. Appoints _____ (Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community Representative) to the role of Dual Chairperson from the 23rd of March 2025 until the conclusion of the 2022-2026 Council Term, noting this representative will undertake this role alongside the Lord Mayor.
2. Appoints _____ (Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community Representative) to the role of Deputy Chairperson from the 23rd of March 2025 until the conclusion of the 2022-2026 Council Term.

IMPLICATIONS AND FINANCIALS

City of Adelaide 2024-2028 Strategic Plan	Strategic Alignment – Our Corporation
Policy	Reconciliation Committee Terms of Reference and Meeting Procedures City of Adelaide Reconciliation Vision Statement (2012) City of Adelaide Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan
Consultation	Not as a result of this report
Resource	Not as a result of this report
Risk / Legal / Legislative	<i>Local Government Act 1999</i> (SA)
Opportunities	Not as a result of this report
24/25 Budget Allocation	Remuneration for the Dual Chair (Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Committee Member) for each meeting of the Reconciliation Committee is \$650 per meeting, in accordance with the Remuneration Schedule approved by Council at it's meeting on 13 December 2022, for the 2022-2026 term of Council.
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

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DISCUSSION

1. On 13 December 2022, Council established the City of Adelaide Reconciliation Committee (the Committee) for the 2022-2026 Council term.
2. As per Council's decision, the Lord Mayor was appointed to the position of Dual Chair, to preside alongside a Dual Chair to be appointed from the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community Representative Membership pool.
3. Council delegated the authority to the Committee to appoint both the positions of Dual Chair and Deputy Chair.
4. On 22 March 2023, the Committee appointed Yvonne Agius to the role of Dual Chair for a period of two years and Ivan-Tiwu Copley to the role of Deputy Chair for a period of two years.
5. Selecting Dual Chairpersons enables equal participation by both Council Members and Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander members of the Reconciliation Committee and promotes a shared responsibility for advancing reconciliation in the city.
6. In accordance with the Reconciliation Committee's Terms of Reference and Meeting Procedures ([link 1](#)), this report requests that the Committee appoint a Dual Chair and a Deputy Chair from the from the eligible Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community Representative Membership pool which is currently comprised of:
 - 6.1. Yvonne Agius
 - 6.2. Ivan-Tiwu Copley
 - 6.3. Deanne Hanchant-Nichols
7. Proxy members are ineligible for nomination to the Dual Chair or Deputy Chair positions.
8. The nomination and appointment process are subject to provisions under the Reconciliation Committee's Terms of Reference and Meeting Procedures and are summarised below:
 - 8.1. Nominations will be sought
 - 8.2. Nominees will indicate whether they accept or decline the nomination
 - 8.3. Should only one nomination be made and accepted, a vote will be taken and if successful by majority vote, the person is appointed to the position
 - 8.4. Should multiple nominations be made and accepted, a secret ballot will take place
 - 8.5. Administration will collect the ballots and conduct a count
 - 8.6. The Lord Mayor will then declare the successful nominee
 - 8.7. A vote will then be taken, and if successful by majority vote, the person is appointed to the position.
9. Nominees should declare a material conflict of interest and vacate the room whilst the vote is taken as the position is remunerated.
10. The successful appointments will commence their positions from the 23rd of March 2025.

DATA AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Link 1 – Reconciliation Committee Terms of Reference and Meeting Procedures

ATTACHMENTS

Nil