

**Council Member**  
Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor  
Abrahimzadeh

Public

**Contact Officer:**  
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## MOTION ON NOTICE

**Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Abrahimzadeh will move a motion and seek a seconder for the matter shown below to facilitate consideration by the Council:**

'Requests the Civic Recognition Working Group reflect on how best to give public recognition to the significant contribution of multicultural and indigenous communities to the prosperity and wellbeing of the City of Adelaide, and the history of Councillors and Lord Mayors from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds being elected to Council.'

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## ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

1. First shaped by the Kurna People of the Adelaide Plains, then by Colonel William Light, the City of Adelaide values its culturally diverse community and is committed to extending the process of Aboriginal reconciliation in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.
2. The City of Adelaide is home for 26,000 residents and more than 15,000 businesses who provide over 142,000 job opportunities. It welcomes over 300,000 people every day. Around 45% of the City population was born overseas and over 36% speak a language other than English at home. South Australia is home to people from more than 200 culturally, linguistically and religiously diverse backgrounds.
3. In March 2018, the City of Adelaide became the first Capital City to sign up to the Welcoming Cities Network. Welcoming Cities is a National initiative that supports local governments to advance communities where everyone can belong and participate in social, cultural, economic and civic life.
4. Council's vision is for Adelaide to be the most liveable City in the world and has committed to support thriving communities and a dynamic city culture as part of its 2020-2024 Strategic Plan.
5. Established in 1840, the City of Adelaide Municipal Corporation was the first municipal authority in Australia. The City of Adelaide has benefitted significantly from the contribution of Councillors and Lord Mayors from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, and increasingly the profile of its Council has been as culturally diverse as the community it represents.
6. The Electoral Commission of South Australia does not currently gather demographic data on the culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds of election candidates.
7. Should this motion be passed, an agenda item will be added to the next meeting of the Civic Recognition Working Group. Following reflection, and consultation as needed, a report will be prepared and presented to Council for consideration by the end of the 2021/22 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	Unknown at this time
External consultant advice	Unknown at this time
Legal advice / litigation (eg contract breach)	Unknown at this time
Impacts on existing projects	Unknown at this time
Budget reallocation	Unknown at this time
Capital investment	Unknown at this time
Staff time in preparing the workshop / report requested in the motion	Unknown at this time
Other	Unknown at this time
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.

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