Moonta Street Roof Installation

Tuesday, 12 July 2022 Council

Council Member Councillor Hou

Public

Contact Officer: Tom McCready, Director City Services

MOTION ON NOTICE

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

'That Council:

- 1. Notes that some previous preliminary work on constructing a roof over Moonta Street was undertaken prior to the Moonta Street public realm upgrade.
- 2. Requests the CEO prepare a report on options for the installation of an enclosed roof over Moonta Street, and that report consider various configurations such as a roof over the main events space of the Moonta Street Plaza adjacent Gouger Street, or over the entirety of Moonta Street, as well as the possibility of staging construction.
- 3. Requests the above report is provided to Council by its August meeting and that the options are released for consultation to collect community feedback once presented to the August Council meeting.'

ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

- 1. The previous proposal relating to the construction of a permanent cover over Moonta Street was a 2018 State Election commitment by the Liberal Opposition to provide \$500,000 for the cover.
- 2. This commitment was never realised as following consultation with the local community, funding was repurposed into delivering the Moonta Street Lighting Upgrade. This project was completed in January 2020.
- 3. Advice provided to date associated with the installation of an enclosed roof include:
 - 3.1. Urban planning and landscape architect advice noted that a structure of this nature would not fit with the character of Moonta Street.
 - 3.2. Structural columns that support the roofing structure would create clutter and obstacles for users of the space.
 - 3.3. There would be further significant disruption to stakeholders after recently completed upgrade works.
- 4. The construction of an enclosed roof over Moonta Street would be of significant cost.
- 5. Should this motion be carried a detailed report will be required to investigate the feasibility of an enclosed roof over various sections of Moonta Street. The report would be prepared for consideration in early-mid 2023 which would include key stakeholder feedback.

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	Public consultation required
External consultant advice	External feasibility study and structural assessment (\$50,000)
Legal advice / litigation (eg contract breach)	Not applicable
Impacts on existing projects	The canopy structure would have to be completely self-supported, with in-ground footings. Construction works would impact recently completed Moonta Street Reinvigoration project.
Budget reallocation	To be determined based on timing of investigation
Capital investment	Significant
Staff time in preparing the workshop / report requested in the motion	Moderate
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 4.5 hours.

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