

Notes

Agenda Briefing Session 23 April 2024

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1. Declaration of Opening

The Presiding Member declared the Agenda Briefing Session for the City of Perth open at 5:00pm.

2. Acknowledgement of Country/Prayer

The Presiding Member gave an Acknowledgement of Country:

I respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet, the Whadjuk Nyoongar people of Western Australia, and pay my respects to Elders past and present. It is a privilege to be standing on Whadjuk Nyoongar country.

The Chief Executive Officer recited a prayer:

Almighty God, under whose providence we hold responsibility for this City grant us wisdom to understand its present needs, foresight to anticipate its future growth, and grace to serve our fellow citizens with integrity and selfless devotion. And to Thee, be all blessing and glory forever. Amen.

3. Attendance

Members in Attendance

Lord Mayor Basil Zempilas

Deputy Lord Mayor Clyde Bevan

Councillors Raj Doshi

Liam Gobbert

David Goncalves

Catherine Lezer
Bruce Reynolds

Officers in Attendance

Chief Executive Officer Michelle Reynolds
General Manager Community Development Kylie Johnson
A/General Manager Infrastructure and Operations Craig Best
General Manager Commercial Services Steve Holden
General Manager Planning and Economic Development Dale Page

General Manager Corporate Services Wendy Attenborough

Alliance Manager Council Governance and Policy Charlie Clarke

Council Governance and Policy Officer/Minute Taker Ebony Mackey

Public Gallery

There were approximately 5 members of the public in the gallery.

3.1 Apologies

Councillor Brent Fleeton.

Councillor Viktor Ko.

3.2 Leave of Absence

3.3 Applications for Leave of Absence

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

4. Announcements by the Lord Mayor

4.1 City of Perth Economy

The Lord Mayor highlighted the booming economy of Perth in 2024, emphasising the significant increase in spending, particularly from visitors.

The Lord Mayor noted a total spending of \$951 million for the first quarter, up from \$826 million in 2023. This represents an 11.7% increase, even after adjusting for inflation. March spending alone was up 10.7% from the previous year. Notably, night-time spending in March saw a 12.6% increase.

The Lord Mayor commended the team for organising various successful events that attract people to the city, such as Fred Again, Friday Twilight Markets, and the Indian Cultural Festival. They also mentioned ongoing events like the Lottery West Boorloo Heritage Festival and upcoming Anzac Day commemorations, including traditional services and newer family-oriented activities. Free parking will be provided throughout the city on Anzac Day.

4.2 New Parking Meters

The Lord Mayor announced free parking across all Perth city parking bays on Anzac Day, extending congratulations to the team for this initiative. Additionally, he mentioned the introduction of new parking meters, scheduled to be operational from June, replacing older ones that have served for 22 years. The transition to new technology, alongside the EasyPark app, aims to enhance convenience for visitors.

The continuation of free night-time parking for another 12 months was mentioned, along with three hours of free parking on weekends. The Lord Mayor concluded by inviting everyone to the city for Anzac Day celebrations on Thursday.

5. Disclosures of Interests

Nil.

6. Public Participation

6.1 Public Questions

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

6.2 Deputations

6.2.1 Robert Walker representing Urbis who spoke FOR the recommendation in Item 11.2.

7. Confirmation of Minutes

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

8. Questions by Members which due Notice has been Given

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

9. Correspondence

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

10. Petitions

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

Reports

A series of questions were raised by elected members which were responded to prior to the Agenda Briefing Session. A summary of the responses will be included under 'Further Information' located at the end of each report in the Ordinary Council Meeting agenda.

The audio recording of this Agenda Briefing Session is available on the City's website.

11. Planning and Economic Development Alliance Reports

- 11.1 City of Perth Draft Local Planning Scheme No.3 Consideration for Advertising
- 11.2 Preparation of Amendment No. 52 to City Planning Scheme No. 2 Special Control Area over 935-939 Wellington Street, West Perth
- 12. Community Development Alliance Reports

Nil.

13. Infrastructure and Operations Alliance Reports

13.1 Local Law review: Local Government Property Local Law 2005, Thoroughfares and Public Places Local Law 2017

14. Commercial Services Alliance Reports

Nil.

15. Corporate Services Reports

- 15.1 Monthly Financial Statements February 2024
- 15.2 Schedule of Accounts Paid February 2024
- 15.3 Corporate Business Plan Quarterly Progress Report January-March 2024

16. Chief Executive Officer Reports

16.1 Review of the City of Perth Council Members, Committee Members and Candidates Code of Conduct and Council Policy 1.8 Code of Conduct Behavioural Complaints Management

- 16.2 Standardised Meeting Procedures City of Perth submission
- 16.3 Strategic Community Plan 2022-2032 minor review
- 16.4 Major Event Leveraging Opportunity
- 16.5 CERAWeek Close Out Report
- 16.6 City of Perth Inquiry Recommendations Quarterly Progress Update Q3 2023/24 (1 January 31 March 2024)

17. Committee Reports

Nil.

18. Motions of which Previous Notice has been Given

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

19. Matters for which the meeting may be closed

In accordance with Section 5.23(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1995, the following Item and its attachments are confidential.

19.1 Variation to Contract 0036/20 - Roe Street Masterplan Works

In accordance with Section 5.23(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1995, the following Item and its attachments are confidential.

19.2 MRC Waste to Energy

20. Urgent Business

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

21. Closure

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 5:34pm.