Delivering for today, investing in tomorrow







This Budget delivers more for your rates through smart investments, targeted works and responsible forward planning for a liveable, sustainable and prosperous capital city. From improving and greening our city, to keeping our streets safe and alive with new opportunities, we're putting your rates to work where they'll make a real difference in your neighbourhood, now and in the future.



Lowest rate rise of all major Perth metropolitan Councils



\$6.7 million in free parking



\$3M on marketing our city



\$17M for safer streets and community services

This \$297.8 million Budget puts the community at the centre of our plans, and it does so while delivering the **lowest rate rise** of all major Councils across the Perth metropolitan area.

We've listened to what's needed across our neighbourhoods to deliver a Budget that will make a genuine difference in the streets where you live, work and play.

We've also invested wisely to make sure what we deliver today, keeps on delivering for our community tomorrow, including accelerating residential development so thousands more Western Australians can live on the doorstep of our city's central businesses, and greatest cultural and social attractions.

What sets this Budget apart is the investment in the services and infrastructure that make our city one of the most liveable places in the world. These are often the services unseens behind the clean pavements, the green verges and the streetlights, or the promise behind the roadworks and scaffolding of new developments. It's an acknowledgement that investing in the things that make our city great now, is the way to sustain and enhance what we love into the future.

We've set aside over \$16 million for scene-setting street upgrades and lighting, and capital works building roads, bus stops and bike paths to improve the way you get around the city.

We're committing over \$30 million to preserving our trees and parks, and improving the way we manage energy waste and water.

We're investing over **\$23 million** in our community services and infrastructure to keep our streets safe and inclusive, and a further **\$20 million** to activate our neighbourhoods and support and sponsor our businesses, ensuring Perth is the events capital of Western Australia, with something for everyone across every season.

It's a pivotal time for Perth, and this Budget will see our City of Light shine ever brighter now and for years to come.

Basil Zempilas

Lord Mayor, City of Perth

The return on your rates

Keeping the City of Perth liveable, sustainable and prosperous in 2023/24.





Liveable

Our community is safe, socially cohesive, inclusive and activated.



Sustainable

We have a healthy environment where nature, social and economic systems are in balance.



Prosperous

We are a successful, flourishing and thriving city.



Keeping our expenses down

Over the last four years the City's operational expenses have increased by only **6.4**percent through a range of smart investments, delivering consistently low rate rises for our ratepayers.



- * For every 500m of energy efficient LED lighting upgrades we save 18 tonnes of carbon emissions and around \$9,000 in electricity costs a year?
- * Our parking business generates around \$15M annually, which contributes to keep rates low for our community. This year, we're introducing a new payment app and replacing old on-street ticket machines to make parking in the city even easier!
- The Emergency Services Levy (ESL) is paid annually by all property owners in WA through council rates notices. The ESL has increased by 5% this year. While the City of Perth collects this levy, it is forwarded in full to the State Government, Department of Fires and Emergency Services.

Impact investments



Delivering main street appeal

Through feature lighting, urban greening and art mural enhancements (William Street and Wolf Lane)

Treasuring our trees

With a focus on urban forest planting and preservation works, landscaping, irrigation renewal works, and park furniture, playground and exercise equipment upgrades

Festive fun-ding

For the Christmas capital of WA, bringing the crowd-pleasing Christmas Lights Trail, decorations and other activations to the city as a festive reminder of all that Perth has to offer



\$9.9M

\$3M

Spotlight on safety

With significant increases in the City's CCTV network and lighting at key locations including Wellington Square and Adelaide Terrace

Better ways to get around

Focusing on cycleways, pedestrian pathways, busstop upgrades and enhancing transport management in the CBD

Promoting Perth

As the place to be this year through a considered and targeted marketing program that puts Perth first with residents, workers and visitors



1. Just park it

Park free on us in any CPP parking lot from 6pm and 3-hour free parking on weekends and enjoy more of your City at your convenience.

2. The events capital of WA

This year, an extra \$1.6M for promotions, activations and events will bring even bigger moments and family-friendly fun to the City of Light – delve into a *visitperth.com* events schedule that has something for everyone across all seasons.

3. Safer streets

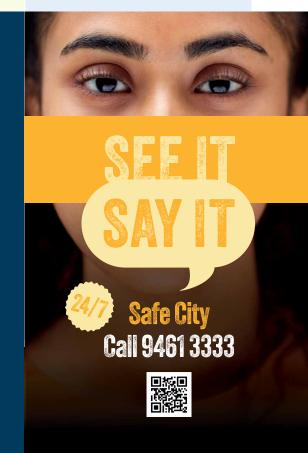
An additional \$1.6M has been committed to safe streets initiatives, bolstering Ranger services and City surveillance, so that you can feel at home when you visit the city.

4. Street-smart sidewalks

We've put \$500,000 more into waste and cleaning services so the things you love about your City stay that way.

5. Getting wise with watering our parks

By investing in smart irrigation systems, we now save 200,000 kilolitres of groundwater every year while keeping your favourite parks green all year around.





What's new for your neighbourhood

CENTRAL PERTH



\$1.8M street upgrades for William St and Wolf Lane



\$300,000 for feature lighting in Hay Street Mall



Developing plan for toilets in central retail precinct

NORTHBRIDGE



Reducing costs and red tape for hospitality



James St lighting upgrade



Expanded CCTV camera network

WEST PERTH



New bike and footpath for Kings Park



More trees on Sutherland St & Cook St



King's Park activation 'Lightscape'

EAST PERTH



Delivering community centre



Supporting delivery of new Primary school



Langley Park change rooms

CLAISEBROOK



\$250,000 river wall renewal



\$1.9M lighting upgrades to Bronte St & Wellington Square



More trees on Bishops Row, Arden St and Royal St

CRAWLEY-NEDLANDS



Parking and accessibility plan for UWA -**QEII Precinct**



\$900,000 lighting upgrades to Park Ave & Park Rd



More trees on Hackett Dr and Broadway

More Information

Information on how to read your rates notice is available at *perth.wa.gov.au/pay rates*.

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