



City of **Perth**

Notes

Agenda Briefing Session

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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

Councillors

Basil Zempilas

Sandy Anghie

Clyde Bevan

Liam Gobbert

Rebecca Gordon

Viktor Ko

Catherine Lezer

Officers in Attendance

Chief Executive Officer

General Manager Commercial Services

General Manager Community Development

General Manager Infrastructure and Operations

General Manager Planning and Economic Development

Executive Director Governance and Strategy

Chief Financial Officer

Alliance Manager Council Governance and Policy

Governance Coordinator

Governance Officer

Michelle Reynolds

Steve Holden

Kylie Johnson

Allan Mason

Dale Page

Karen Callaghan

Michael Kent

Charlie Clarke

Mieke Wevers

Kait Hedley

Public Gallery

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

3.1 Apologies

Deputy Lord Mayor Di Bain
Councillor Brent Fleeton

3.2 Leave of Absence

Nil.

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 Deputy Lord Mayor Bain's Resignation Letter from the Role of Deputy Lord Mayor

The Lord Mayor announced that on the 6th of October 2022, Deputy Lord Mayor Di Bain tendered her resignation from the role of Deputy Lord Mayor. Councillor Bain will continue in her role as a Councillor however Council will be required to elect a new Deputy Lord Mayor at next week's Ordinary Meeting.

4.2 Recent City Figures

The Lord Mayor referred to the Property Council's office occupancy statistics for the month of September, specifically the City's peak weekly figure was at 84% which was the highest in the country. The City continues to lead the way in post COVID recovery with an overall figure of 76%. The Lord Mayor also advised of the Tourism and Transport Forum's data which showed Perth CBD outperforming all other capital cities in terms of workers and visitors returning to the CBD. Perth is at 85% of pre-COVID levels.

4.2 Return of Telethon 2022

The Lord announced that this weekend Telethon would return to the CBD after a number of years, particularly the Family Fun Day which will take place in and around the RAC Arena. The Lord Mayor encouraged everybody to bring their families along to what will be a brilliant day in the City with lots of free activities. The Lord Mayor thanked the Department of Transport for providing free public transport into the City on Sunday 23 October.

5. Disclosures of Interests

Name	Councillor Liam Gobbert
Item number and title	12.1 Commemorative Works Proposal - Edith Cowan Sculpture
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Interest description	<i>"I have liaised directly with the consultant through my employer the Public Transport Authority."</i>

Name	Councillor Sandy Anghie
Item number and title	12.1 Commemorative Works Proposal - Edith Cowan Sculpture
Nature of interest	Direct Financial
Interest description	<i>"My husband Michael and I will donate the statue to be placed in front of Karrakatta Club and RSL on St Georges Terrace."</i>

6. Public Participation

6.1 Public Questions

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

6.2 Deputations

5.08pm *As Councillor Anghie disclosed a Direct Financial Interest in Item 12.1 (as detailed in Item 5) she departed the meeting prior to the commencement of the following deputations relating to Item 12.1.*

6.2.1 Kym MacCormac from MacCormac Architects who spoke FOR the Officer's Recommendation in Item 12.1.

6.2.2 Dr Norrine Anderson from Karrakatta Club who spoke FOR Officer's Recommendation in Item 12.1.

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 live stream recording of this Agenda Briefing Session is available on the City's website.

11. Planning and Economic Development Alliance Reports

Nil.

12. Community Development Alliance Reports

Councillor Gobbert disclosed an Impartiality interest in Item 12.1(as detailed in Item 5).

Councillor Anghie disclosed a Direct Financial interest in Item 12.1 (as detailed in Item 5).

The following Item 12.1 was the subject of two deputations.

12.1 Commemorative Works Proposal - Edith Cowan Sculpture

5.33pm *Councillor Anghie returned to the meeting prior to Item 12.2.*

12.2 Economic Development Sponsorship Program

13. Infrastructure and Operations Alliance Reports

Nil.

14. Corporate Services Reports

14.1 Monthly Financial Statements - August 2022

14.2 Schedule of Accounts Paid - August 2022

14.3 Special Budget Review

14.4 WACA Rates Exemption 2022/23 - Determination by Minister

15. Chief Executive Officer Reports

15.1 Elected Member Superannuation Policy Position

15.2 Memorandum of Understanding – Inner City Councils

16. Committee Reports

Nil.

167. Motions of which Previous Notice has been Given

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

178. Matters for which the meeting may be closed

Nil.

19. Urgent Business

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

20. Closure

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 5.50pm.