



City of **Perth**

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# Minutes

Special Council Meeting

9 May 2023

Approved for release

Michelle Reynolds

Chief Executive Officer

12 May 2023

Minutes to be confirmed at the next Ordinary Council Meeting

These minutes are hereby certified as confirmed.

Presiding member's signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## 1. Declaration of Opening

The Presiding Member declared the Special Council Meeting for the City of Perth open at 4:01pm.

## 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 (Presiding Member)

Di Bain

Sandy Anghie

Clyde Bevan

Brent Fleeton

Rebecca Gordon

Catherine Lezer

### Officers in Attendance

Chief Executive Officer

Executive Director Governance and Strategy

A/General Manager Commercial Services

General Manager Community Development

General Manager Infrastructure and Operations

General Manager Planning and Economic Development

Chief Financial Officer

Alliance Manager Council Governance and Policy

Governance Officer

Governance Officer

Michelle Reynolds

Peta Mabbs

John Fish

Kylie Johnson

Allan Mason

Dale Page

Michael Kent

Charlie Clarke

Anne-Marie Bartlett

Ebony Mackey

### Public Gallery

There were approximately 3 members of the public in the gallery.

3.1 Apologies

Councillor Viktor Ko

3.2 Leave of Absence

Deputy Lord Mayor Liam Gobbert (27 April 2023 to 14 May 2023 inclusive)

**4. Disclosures of Interests**

Nil.

**5. Public Participation**

5.1 Public Questions

Nil.

5.2 Deputations

5.2.1 Sue McDougall from the Western Australian Botanic Garden, who spoke for the Officer's Recommendation in Item 6.1.

## 6. Reports

*Prior to Item 6.1 being moved, the General Manager Community Development advised that item 6.1 required an Absolute Majority and not a Simple Majority as stated in the Agenda.*

### 6.1 Major Event Leveraging Opportunity

Responsible Officer	Kylie Johnson – General Manager Community Development
Voting Requirements	Absolute Majority
Attachments	Attachment 6.1A – Lightscape Presenting Partner City of Perth

### Purpose

To present the ‘Lightscape’ major event leveraging opportunity for consideration of Council.

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### Recommendation

That Council:

1. APPROVES Option 3 in regard to leveraging the 2023 ‘Lightscape’ Event held at Kings Park Botanic Gardens through Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority.  
“Option 3 That Council APPROVES the support to Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority to provide leveraging and activation support towards public transport (\$50,000 cash/in-kind) between the CBD and Kings Park, marketing (\$50,000 in-kind), and general support (\$100,000 cash) for the Lightscape Event 2023 to the value of: \$200,000”
  2. APPROVES additional funding of \$200,000 for costs associated with the event leveraging as outlined in point 1 above, from the City’s 2022/23 Municipal Surplus.
  3. AUTHORISES the CEO to execute a Partnership Agreement on terms equivalent to or more favourable to the City than those set out in Attachment 6.1A, for the amount approved or such lesser amount deemed appropriate by the CEO.
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## Background

1. The City has a vision for Perth to be ‘the events heart of WA’ (2025 Events Strategy). The City will facilitate and support a portfolio of events that provide enriching experiences throughout the year.
2. As part of the City Events Plan 2022/23 adopted by Council \$130,000 was budgeted for Leveraging and Activation.
3. In the 2023/24 City Events Plan adopted by Council in March 2023 the Leveraging and Activation budget was increased to \$200,000.
4. The purpose of this Leveraging and Activation budget is outlined in the City Events Plan.  
*“To strategically respond to opportunities that strengthen the events calendar and bring vibrancy to the city all year-round. The City will collaborate with key stakeholders and third-party event organisers to leverage major events and festival programs.”*
5. In developing the 2023/24 Events Plan an Elected Member Engagement Session was held 7 February 2023. As part of the presentation the proposal to increase the Leveraging and Activation budget was discussed, with specific reference to opportunities such as the Kings Park and Botanic Garden ‘Lightscape’ Event.

## Discussion

6. Lightscape is a 5-year major event to be held at Kings Park Botanic Gardens commencing in 2023, taking ticketholders on a 1.8km trail through the iconic Kings Park and Botanic Gardens after dark from June 16 to July 30.
7. The 6-week festival will be a celebration of Western Australian flora through illumination and activation of the garden in winter.
8. Lightscape will light-up Kings Park from Wednesday to Sunday each week during the 6-week period, for a total of 33 nights.
9. Discussions with Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority (BGPA) Sony Music and Culture Creative have been occurring since 2022 to discuss leveraging opportunities such as installations and activations within the CBD, public transport options, and engagement of CBD business.
10. Lightscape is presented and funded by Sony Music and the State Government Authority BPGA.
11. On 28 April 2023, the City received a formal request for support from BGPA. The Administration has sought further clarity on elements within the request and the updated ‘Lightscape’ event Presenting Partner Proposal document is attached.
12. The opportunity to be a ‘Presenting Partner’ for this event will require the full requested amount to be supported (endorsement of option 3 as detailed below).

13. The Administration has provided four options for Council to consider:

Option 1 That Council APPROVES the support to Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority to provide leveraging and activation support towards public transport (\$50,000 cash/in-kind) between the CBD and Kings Park for the Lightscape Event 2023 to the value of:

- **\$50,000**

Option 2 That Council APPROVES the support to Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority to provide leveraging and activation support towards public transport (\$50,000 cash/in-kind) between the CBD and Kings Park and marketing (\$50,000 in-kind), for the Lightscape Event 2023 to the value of:

- **\$100,000**

Option 3 That Council APPROVES the support to Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority to provide leveraging and activation support towards public transport (\$50,000 cash/in-kind) between the CBD and Kings Park, marketing (\$50,000 in-kind), and general support (\$100,000 cash) for the Lightscape Event 2023 to the value of:

- **\$200,000**

Option 4 That Council **does not** APPROVE support to Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority for the Lightscape Event 2023.

## Consultation

14. Discussions have been occurring since 2022 with Kings Park BGPA, Sony and Culture Creative.
15. Representatives from Kings Park BGPA have expressed a desire to attend the Special Council Meeting to enable elected members to clarify any aspect of this leveraging proposal.

## Decision Implications

16. If Council supports the option of leveraging this major event then the extent of financial impact will require funding from the City's 2022/23 Municipal Surplus.
17. The City strives to encourage events of this nature that drive visitation to the City and showcase Perth as a vibrant, global destination for future major international events.



## Strategic, Legislative and Policy Implications

Strategy	
Strategic Pillar (Objective)	Liveable
Related Documents (Issue Specific Strategies and Plans):	2025 Events Strategy <a href="#">Council Policy 4.3 Sponsorship and Grants</a>

Legislation, Delegation of Authority and Policy	
Legislation:	Regulation 12 of the <a href="#">Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996</a> – payments from municipal fund or trust fund, restrictions on making. Section 6.8 of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> .
Authority of Council/CEO:	Council may by resolution of Council authorise expenditure from the municipal fund.
Policy:	Nil.

## Financial Implications

18. The financial impact of the leveraging support recommendation will be as follows:

Account number	10598	Operating
Account Description	Leveraging and Activations	
Current Budget:	\$164,500	
Amendment to Budget:	\$200,000	
Revised Budget:	\$364,500	
Budget Impact:	\$200,000	

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## Further Information

Nil.

## Council Resolution (SCM-23/05-001)

**Mover:** Lord Mayor Basil Zempilas

**Seconded:** Councillor Catherine Lezer

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3. AUTHORISES the CEO to execute a Partnership Agreement on terms equivalent to or more favourable to the City than those set out in Attachment 6.1A, for the amount approved or such lesser amount deemed appropriate by the CEO.

**CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY (6/1)**

**For:** Lord Mayor Basil Zempilas; Councillors Sandy Anghie, Clyde Bevan, Brent Fleton, Rebecca Gordon and Catherine Lezer

**Against:** Councillor Di Bain

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*During debate, Council requested a comma be added to point 1 of the Officers Recommendation after the words 'Lightscape Event 2023'. This was to clarify that \$200,000 was the maximum amount of support proposed for the event.*





## Why partner with Lightscape at KPBG?

- **KPBG Brand:** Kings Park Botanic Garden is an iconic Western Australia attraction with a trusted and premium brand.
- **Multi-Year Potential:** The Gardens are committed to up to a five-year contract and therefore seeking a partnership that can be grown annually.
- **Event Scale:** 33 nights with a season capacity of 140,000, and sales currently on track to achieve this.
- **Media and Marketing:** Anticipating exceptional Media and PR coverage in addition to an extensive marketing campaign.
- **Sony Brand:** Sony have a strong reputation worldwide and are experts in delivering illuminated trail events.





## Lightscape KPBG: General Information

- **Season dates:** 16<sup>th</sup> June to 30<sup>th</sup> July 2023.
- **Preview Date:** 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023.
- **Nights:** 33 in total, Wed – Sun each week.
- **Session Times:** First session 5.45pm or 6pm (dependent on sunset times), last session 8.30pm with the option to extend to 9pm.
- **Ticket prices:** Peak tickets at \$40 adult and \$136 for a family of 4, with off-peak tickets at \$36 adult and \$120 for a family of 4.
- **Food and beverage:** Multiple vendors present on trail.
- **Ticket Sale Launch:** December 2022.
- **Full Campaign Launch:** May 2023.



# WORLD CLASS, WORLDWIDE

**USA**  
*Brooklyn Botanic Garden*  
*Chicago Botanic Garden*  
*Fort Worth Botanic Garden*  
*LA Arboretum*  
*San Antonio Botanical Garden*  
*San Diego Botanic Garden*

**EUROPE**  
*Parc Floral de Paris, France*  
*Schloss Benrath, Dusseldorf, Germany*

**UK**  
*Christmas at Bedgebury, Kent*  
*Christmas at Belton, Lincolnshire*  
*Christmas at Blenheim Palace, Oxfordshire*  
*Christmas at the Botanics, Edinburgh*  
*Christmas at Dunham Massey, Cheshire*  
*Christmas at Hillsborough Castle and Gardens, Belfast*  
*Christmas at Kew, London*  
*Christmas at Leeds Castle, Kent*  
*Christmas at Stourhead, Wiltshire*  
*Christmas at Wimpole, Cambridgeshire*

**AUSTRALIA**  
*Kings Park & Botanic Garden, Perth*  
*Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria, Melbourne*  
*City Botanic Gardens Brisbane*  
*The Royal Botanic Garden, Sydney*





## About Our Expected Visitors\*

- **56% based in Northern Suburbs**
- **36% based in Southern Suburbs**
- **21% will be first time visitors to Kings Park and Botanic Garden**
- **28% visit regularly**
- **66% will visit because the event looks really fantastic**
- **89% of visitors will be likely to return in the future**
- **Expected Audience Split: 56% Regular Admission, 30% Family Admission, 3% Infant (0-2) Admission.**

### Life Segments:

- “Supernovas” 41% - Extroverted / Busy / Energetic
- “Avant Garde” 18% - Adventurous / Creative / Experimental
- “Living Large” 14% - Authentic / Receptive / Diverse
- “Team Family” 10% - Family / Community / Traditional
- “Life Learners” 10% - Knowledgeable / Conservative / Reflective

\*based on existing data for previous events and in line with trends we are currently seeing for Lightscape at Kings Park and Botanic Garden.

Survey Highlights from  
Royal Botanic Garden  
Victoria (RBGV) 2022



## Lightscape KPBG: USP's and Alignment with CoP

- A family-friendly event to bring the people of Western Australia together and be proud of the City of Perth and Kings Park & Botanic Garden.
- Supports Local Employment and Supply Chain.
- International Artists debuting their work to make Kings Park & Botanic Garden and Perth a hub of culture.
- First Nation Artists debuting their work on an International platform.
- Bringing life to Kings Park & Botanic Garden when it would usually be inactive
- Bringing a new cohort of visitor to KPBG and an appreciation for a natural landscape.
- Synergy for the CoP's 'City of Light' campaign to capture Perth's Indigenous culture, unique landscape, and reputation.





## A Multi-faceted Partnership Opportunity

- **Integrated Branding Opportunities \*(dependent upon date of signature of agreement):**
  - On site branding.
  - Digital incorporation within website(s).
  - Logo integration within paid digital campaigns.
  - Mention in radio / audio ad campaigns.
  - Social Media exposure via credit within video reels.
  - Feature on all comms and media releases (other than OOH posters already booked / produced).
- **Exclusive Opportunities:**
  - Activation and engagement opportunities on-site.
  - Installation specific partnership with brand integration.
- **Client Entertainment / Benefits:**
  - Anytime Access for VIP's and Stakeholders.
  - Preview night co-hosts (incl. opening address and updated media release).
  - Nightly complimentary ticket allocations.

\*Case Study (right): Red Energy were a Presenting Partner of Lightscape RBGV 2022 and have continued partnership into 2023.



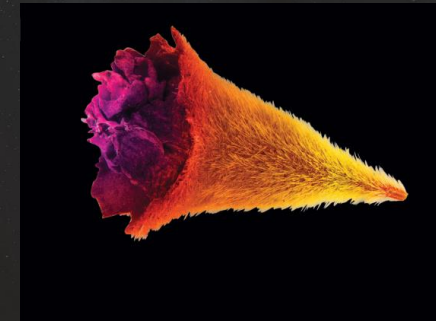
## Kings Park Botanic Garden Unique Offering

- Kings Park and Botanic Garden is the most popular visitor destination in WA.
- One of the few botanic gardens across the globe that showcases local flora.
- International reputation for scientific research, conservation horticulture and education.

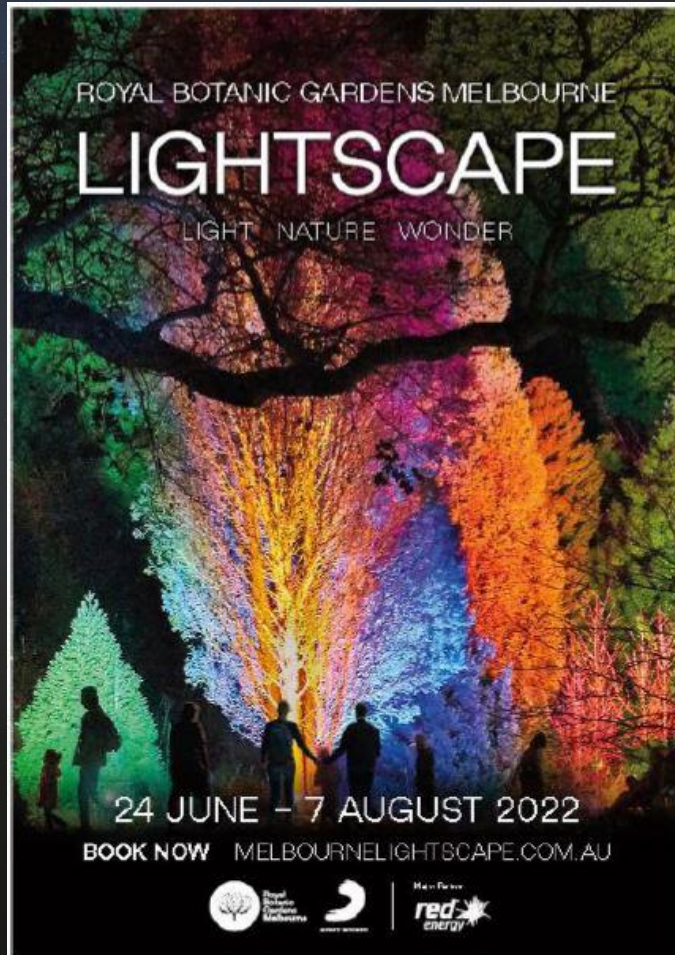
### Theme – Lightscape 2023

'The Future Keepers'

Unlocking the secrets of seeds through light installations and art.







- In scope Inclusions:
- Multiple Banners
  - Flyers and Posters
  - Cranbourne Gardens
  - Visitor Centers
  - Toilet Talkers
  - Supporter Board
  - Digital and Social Media
  - Out of Home Campaign
  - Ticketing Integration

*\*Examples of partnership activity from Lightscape 2022*

## Case Study Red Energy 2022







## Case Study Red Energy 2023

Example of 'Presenting Partner'  
printed and digital collateral.

### City of Perth

A presenting partner is considered the  
highest value partner and logos are  
placed alongside BGPA and Sony Music

**LIGHTSCAPE** presented in  
partnership with City of Perth – City  
of Light



## Presenting Partner

### ‘Lightscape in partnership with City of Perth – City of Light’

\$100K Cash Contribution

\$50K Marketing Support (in Kind)

- Leveraging City of Perth’s communication and marketing channels to promote Lightscape.
- Driving City of Perth’s connection to Lightscape and Kings Park and Botanic Garden.
- Leveraging City of Perth’s branding ‘City of Light’ to present a premier event in winter.
- Promotion of free parking after 6pm West Perth and all City of Perth owned carparks to access Lightscape
- Access to City of Perth’s marketing and promotion around transport options

\$50K Transport (in Kind or \$)

- Boosting existing bus services to Kings Park
- Opportunity to negotiate Rental Scooters closer to Kings Park for the duration of Lightscape

**TOTAL INVESTMENT \$200K**



## Presenting Partner – Lightscape in partnership with City of Perth – City of Light

ACTIVITY	MAY	JUNE	JULY	PRESENTING PARTNER BENEFITS	Notes
OOH Digital Large Format 12 Locations	Late May	All June		Sony, BGPA logo, WA govt, Lightscape in partnership with City of Perth - City of Light tagline	Locations including GFF, Milligan Street, Mitchell Freeway, Airport Drive Exit Gantry, Murray Street, Kwinana Fwy, Graham Farmer Freeway, Airport Drive Entrance, Tonkin Hwy South, City Link Tunnel 2 locations,
10K FM Radio 94.5 & Nova				Lightscape in partnership with City of Perth - City of Light tagline on reads	
Purchased Social awareness campaign	Late May	June	Early July	Tagline in the copy	
EDM ovation and ticketek retargetting	Late May	All June		Logo and Tag line	Ticketek EDM redirect to those who visited but havent purchased
Radio Competitions and prizes	Late May	Early June		Lightscape in partnership with City of Perth - City of Light tagline on reads	Live reads
Presenting partner Installation		For the entire term of the event		Partner to deliver Neon Trees - an installation of 9 x trees at the beginning of the trail	Each installation has a lightbox sign with QR code and brought to you by partner – Logo on lightbox
Onsite Gobo illumination				Logo Gobo light	Individual logo Gobo
Onsite Ticketing booth				Sony, BGPA logo, WA govt, City of Perth logo	Ticket Booth wrapped with signage
Welcome Banner at entrance				Lightscape in partnership with City of Perth - City of Light tagline	Alongside Sony, BGPA logo/State Govt
Exit thankyou signage				Sony, BGPA logo, WA govt, City of Perth logo	Logo refer to page nine for example layout
Scrim for wrapping storage areas				Sony, BGPA logo, WA govt City of Perth logo	The location of the storage area is a high profile area and will be wrapped with scrim.



**BRANDING/PARTNERSHIP**

Media Release			City of Perth Partner with Lightscape At Kings Park	Photo opportunity Media launch City of Perth involvement with the Lord Mayor
Media Release		1 week before opening	Present the Neon tree installation. Leveraging City of Perth's Urban Tree Canopy Strategy and highlighting the importance of green spaces within the city.	Photo/video for socials - Lord Mayor attendance to highlight importance of Urban Tree Canopy . Neon Trees are the flagship installation and Kings Park have 9 featuring Tuarts.
Social media organic content BGPA			Sony, BGPA logo, WA govt, City of Perth logo and tagline in copy	City of Perth - access to bump in footage/stories with BGPA
BGPA EDM	Partnership announcement	Installation Announcement	Feature Story City of Perth presenting partner involvement Neon Trees and Urban Forest Strategy	
Opening Night		15th June	The Lord Mayor to present an opening address - City of Perth involvement and partnership advantages	VIP invitation to City of Perth Councillors, Executive and Partnership team
Tickets for City of Perth internal/external use	150 tickets Value \$6000		150 tickets supplied as part of presenting partner package	Any session/ time access - including peak times
The Future Keepers Seed conservation booklet			Sony, BGPA logo, WA govt, Lightscape in partnership with City of Perth - City of Light tagline	Takeaway booklet for kids

**CITY OF PERTH MARKETING SUPPORT**

City of Perth EDM	Duration of Lightscape		Access to site (pre event and bump in)and Neon tree installation - Urban Canopy Focus	Frequency to be confirmed by City of Perth
Leveraging City of Perth Branding and Digital marketing	Duration of Lightscape		Sony, BGPA logo, WA govt, Lightscape in partnership with City of Perth - City of Light tagline	
Driving the message around transport options for ticket holders			Lightscape in partnership with City of Perth - City of Light tagline	Public transport

**CITY OF PERTH TRANSPORT SUPPORT**

Boosting existing bus services to Kings Park			Increase CBD dwell time	
Facilitate the opportunity to relocate Rental Scooters in convenient locations during Lightscape			Communicating the message how to get to event	



## Supporting Partner

### \$50K Marketing Support (in Kind)

- Leveraging City of Perth's communication and marketing channels to promote Lightscape.
- Driving City of Perth's connection to Lightscape and Kings Park and Botanic Garden.
- Access to City of Perth's marketing and promotion around transport options
- Promotion of free parking after 6pm West Perth and all City of Perth owned carparks to access Lightscape

### \$50K Transport (in Kind or \$)

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- Opportunity to negotiate Rental Scooters closer to Kings Park for the duration of Lightscape

TOTAL INVESTMENT \$100K





# Supporting Partner

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Welcome Banner at entrance					
Exit thankyou signage				Sony, BGPA logo, WA govt City of Perth logo	
<b>CITY OF PERTH MARKETING SUPPORT</b>					
City of Perth EDM		Duration of Lightscape		Access to site (pre event and bump in)and Neon tree installation - Urban Canopy Focus	Frequency to be confirmed by City of Perth
Leveraging City of Perth branding and digital marketing		Duration of Lightscape		Leveraging City of Perth's digital reach	
City of Perth Promotion of free parking after 6pm to access Lightscape		Duration of Lightscape		Leveraging City of Perth's digital reach	
Driving the message around transport options for ticket holders		Duration of Lightscape			
<b>CITY OF PERTH TRANSPORT SUPPORT</b>					
Boosting existing public transport services to Kings Park				To increase CBD dwell time	
Facilitate the opportunity to relocate Rental Scooters in convenient locations during Lightscape				Communicating the message of availability of scooters to attend Lightscape at the botanic Garden	



## 7. Closure

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 4:46pm.