



City of **Perth**

Notes

Agenda Briefing Session
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Chief Executive Officer
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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

Liam Gobbert

Catherine Lezer

Raj Doshi

Bruce Reynolds

Officers in Attendance

Chief Executive Officer

Michelle Reynolds

General Manager Commercial Services

Steve Holden

General Manager Community Development

Kylie Johnson

A/General Manager Infrastructure and Operations

Craig Best

General Manager Planning and Economic Development

Dale Page

A/Chief Financial Officer

Roan Barrett

General Manager Corporate Services

Wendy Attenborough

Executive Director Governance and Strategy

Peta Mabbs

Alliance Manager Council Governance and Policy

Charlie Clarke

Governance Officer

Ebony Mackey

Public Gallery

There was 1 member of the public in the gallery.

3.1 Apologies

Councillor Brent Fleeton.

3.2 Leave of Absence

Councillor David Goncalves - 27 November 2023 to 12 December 2023 (inclusive).

Councillor Viktor Ko – 27 November 2023 to 11 December 2023 (inclusive).

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 General Manager Corporate Services – Wendy Attenborough

The Lord Mayor introduced the new General Manager Corporate Services, Wendy Attenborough.

4.2 People Numbers – November 2023

The Lord Mayor advised that the City 'People Numbers' for November 2023 have been received. It was advised that the data is collected through the City's own census in conjunction with retailers and property owners.

The Lord Mayor was pleased to announce that from November 2022 the number of people in the City increased by 6% and nearly 1 million visitors were recorded in the Central City retail area which encompasses Forrest Place and the Murray Street Mall. He was pleased to advise this was on the back of a 10% increase in October from October 2022.

4.3 City of Perth Events

The Lord Mayor thanked and congratulated fellow Elected Members and City Staff for delivering the following events for everyone to enjoy during the festive season:

- City of Light Events at Elizabeth Quay
- PrideFEST 2023
- Twilight Food Market
- Christmas Pageant
- Rio Tinto Christmas Lights Trail; and
- Elizabeth Quay Fun Fair.

5. Disclosures of Interests

Name	Councillor Liam Gobbert
Item number and title	12.1 Major Event Leveraging Opportunity - Lightscape 2024
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Interest description	<i>I attended Lightscape 2023 in my capacity as Deputy Lord Mayor representing the City.</i>

6. Public Participation

6.1 Public Questions

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

6.2 Deputations

6.2.1 Sue McDougall from the Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority who spoke FOR the 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 audio 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 Liam Gobbert disclosed an Impartiality Interest in Item 12.1.

12.1 Major Event Leveraging Opportunity - Lightscape 2024

13. Infrastructure and Operations Alliance Reports

Nil.

14. Commercial Services Alliance Reports

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15. Corporate Services Reports

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19. Matters for which the meeting may be closed

Nil.

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 5:31pm.