

Rockingham

AGENDA

Ordinary Meeting of Council

To be held on Tuesday 12 October 2021 at 6:00pm City of Rockingham Council Chambers

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Notice of Meeting



Dear Mayor and Councillors

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the City of Rockingham will be held on Tuesday 12 October 2021 in the Council Chambers, Civic Boulevard, Rockingham. The meeting will commence at 6:00pm.

MICHAEL PARKER
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

7 October 2021

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City of Rockingham Ordinary Council Meeting 6:00pm Tuesday 12 October 2021



1. Declaration of Opening

Acknowledgement of Country

This meeting acknowledges the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we meet today, the Nyoongar people, and pays respect to their elders both past and present.

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Public question time and deputations will not be recorded.

2. Record of Attendance/Apologies/Approved Leave of Absence

2.1 Councillors

Cr Barry Sammels (Mayor) Rockingham/Safety Bay Ward
Cr Deb Hamblin (Deputy Mayor) Rockingham/Safety Bay Ward

Cr Sally Davies Baldivis Ward
Cr Hayley Edwards Baldivis Ward
Cr Lorna Buchan Comet Bay Ward
Cr Mark Jones Comet Bay Ward

Cr Craig Buchanan

Cr Rae Cottam

Cr Leigh Liley

Cr Joy Stewart

Comet Bay Ward

Rockingham/Safety Bay Ward

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	2.2	Executive			
		Mr Michael Parker	Chief Executive Officer		
		Mr Bob Jeans	Director Planning and Development Services		
		Mr Sam Assaad	Director Engineering and Parks Services		
		Mr John Pearson	Director Corporate Services		
		Mr Peter Doherty	Director Legal Services and General Counsel		
		Mr Michael Holland	Director Community Development		
		Ms Jelette Edwards	A/Manager Governance and Councillor Support		
		Mr Peter Le	Senior Legal Officer		
		Mr Aiden Boyham	City Media Officer		
		Ms Sarah Mylotte	Administration Officer – Governance and Councillor Support		
	2.3	Members of the Gallery:			
	2.4	Apologies:			
	2.5	Approved Leave of Abser	nce:		
3.	Resp	onses to Previous Public	Questions Taken on Notice		
	3.1	Ms Teresa Ong, Singleton - Code on Conduct Complaint			
		At the Council meeting held on 21 September 2021, Ms Ong asked the following questions that were taken on notice and the Chief Executive Officer provided a response in a letter dated 28 September 2021 as follows:			
		Code of Conduct complaint	Code of Conduct complaint div 3 01/21		
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(preamble) This is non response (referring to letter attached to question) and the complaints officer when questioned said he could not tell me anymore, than the non answer.

When a previous Div 3 was finalised, a Councillor and others ran at top speed to the press, to the radio stations and local newspaper to ensure maximum coverage.

Question

1. Why has this Div 3 been pushed under the rug? Is it due to friendships with Councillors and the respondent?

Response

The Division 3 complaint has been dealt with in accordance with the City of Rockingham Code of Conduct for Council Members, Committee Members, Council Policy – Code of Conduct Complaints Management Process and through the Behavioural Complaints Committee which has delegated authority to deal with a Division 3 complaint.

The matter regarding media coverage you may be referring to, was a Local Government Standards Panel matter not a Division 3 Code of Conduct matter. This matter was placed on a register available to be publicly viewed on the City's website as per the Local Government Act 1995 relevant legislation as the complaint was found to be a minor breach by the Local Government Standards Panel and required to be reported in this manner.

As you may be aware the City has only received one Division 3 complaint since the inception of such complaints under the Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021 dealing with code of conduct.

Question

2. Surely the process and outcome of this complaint should be on the website, like in previous complaints which are on the web?

Response

The Agenda and Minutes of the Behavioural Complaints Committee is publicly available on the City's website under the Agendas and Minutes section. Just choose meeting type Behaviour Complaints Committee.

https://rockingham.wa.gov.au/your-city/council/council-and-committee-meetings/agendasand-minutes

3.2 James Mumme, Shoalwater - Petrol Station and Community Aspirations

At the Council meeting held on 21 September 2021, Mr Mumme asked the following questions that were taken on notice and the Director Planning and Development Services provided a response in a letter dated 23 September 2021 as follows:

Question

1. What would have prevented Council from also refusing the petrol station on the ground that it failed to meet the predicted needs of future generations (or at the very least could Council have raised concerns)?

Response

"Failed to meet the predicted needs of future generations" is not a valid planning ground for recommending refusal of this Development Application, to the Development Assessment Panel.

As advised at the Council meeting, the Council is performing a quasi-judicial role in dealing with this Development Application.

Question

2. Does the Director's reply mean that the City treats community aspiration as a lower priority than meeting planning regulations and does not see it as a legal responsibility?

<u>Response</u>

No, it does not.

Question

3. Does Council consider that planning regulations are more important than the intent of the Act (and if not why not)?

Response

No, it does not. Both are important.

Question

4. Does Council consider that to quote the community aspiration about needs of future generations regarding a petrol station contradicts the intent of the act to meet needs of future generations (and if not, how does Council manage the situation when Council has no clear understanding about the needs of future generations)?

Response

The link you have made between the "community aspirations about the needs of future generations regarding a petrol station" and a contradiction of the Local Government Act is incorrect.

The City did not link the two matters, but rather advised that dealing with a Development Application in accordance with the planning legislation does not mean it has ignored its community aspirations.

Response (provided at the meeting)

The Chief Executive Officer made comment that the Council sits on planning matters in a quasi-judicial role and therefore must determine planning matters on planning grounds according to the planning law. Planning legislation (the Act and Regulations) not the Local Government Act 1995.

3.3 Mr Tom Mannion, Safety Bay - Flooding in the Anchorage

At the Council meeting held on 21 September 2021, Mr Mannion asked the following questions that were taken on notice and the Director Engineering and Parks Services provided a response in a letter dated 30 September 2021 as follows:

Question

- 1. Was the fraudulent transaction reported to the police? if not why not?
- 2. Have the elected members reviewed the Executive Policy to address the gaps allowing these fraudulent transactions? if not why not?
- 3. If so why is there another fraudulent transaction on another card in this month's minutes?

Response (provided at the meeting)

The Director Corporate Services advised that the transaction was not performed by a staff member and there was no cost to the City. Relevant parties were advised. The City does not advise in public our detailed operational transactions to reduce the risk of fraud to the City.

(preamble) Last month I also raised questions on the flooding in The Anchorage.

The City has responded that the drains are intentionally flooded and that they have investigated and found no blockages restricting the flow.

Councillors, you all have emails sent today with photos showing you the outlet pipe 50% blocked and drain clearly blocked with weeds.

In a previous response the City stated they use exclusion fences and safety signs for the public safety, none of these have been used in this instance or in previous years. Based on the statement from the City that they flood these drains intentionally and that they have failed to implement any of their controls. Residents in the Anchorage have witnessed people in these drains and dogs being rescued from the weed covered sections.

I would suggest that elected members have less a focus on Defamation and get independent legal advice on their negligence and the consequences of a serious incident involved flooding drains.

The City also stated they follow best practice in managing storm drains.

4. Are the Elected Members aware of the Department of Environment Stormwater Management Manual for Western Australia? This manual is used by WA Water Corporation.

Response

Yes, elected members are now aware of this document.

The Manual on several occasions under the heading of Public Health identify the need to control flooding to reduce the risk of injury and loss of life along with health risks and reducing the risk of water pooling causing mosquito breeding sites and other health hazards.

5. Will the Elected Members direct the city to adopt a safer strategy to reduce and maintain water levels to the drainage systems through the Anchorage?

Response

The stormwater system in The Anchorage is designed to store water for a period of time in a controlled manner. This is not flooding, which is caused by uncontrolled stormwater. As you have been advised on previous occasions, the system is operating as intended and water levels will naturally reduce over spring and early summer through the infiltration and evaporation.

4	Public Overtion Time			
4.	Public Question Time			
	Members of the public are invited to present questions to the Mayor about matters affecting the City of Rockingham and its residents. This is the only opportunity in the meeting for the public to ask questions.			
5 .	Applic	cations for Leave of	Absence	
6.	Confi	rmation of Minutes	of the Previous Meeting	
	That C	mendation: council <i>CONFIRMS</i> the aber 2021, as a true and a	Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 21 accurate record.	
7.	Matte	rs Arising from the	Previous Minutes	
8.	Announcement by the Presiding Person without Discussion			
	The Mayor to announce to all present that decisions made at Committees of Council are recommendations only and may be adopted in full, amended or deferred when presented for consideration at the Council meeting.			
9.	Decla	rations of Members	and Officers Interests	
	9.1	Item CD-018/21	Community Grants Program applications Round Two 2021/2022	
		Councillor:	Mayor Barry Sammels	
		Type of Interest:	Impartiality	
		Nature of Interest:	Cr Sammels is Vice Patron of the Cruising Yacht Club.	
		Extent of Interest:	Not Applicable	
	9.2	Item CD-018/21	Community Grants Program applications Round Two 2021/2022	
		Councillor:	Cr Lorna Buchan	
		Type of Interest:	Impartiality	
		Nature of Interest:	Cr Buchan's sons will be taking part in the Formula 18 National Championships being hosted by The Cruising Yacht Club.	
		Extent of Interest:	Not Applicable	
10.	Petitio	ons/Deputations/Pre	esentations/Submissions	
11.	Matters for which the Meeting may be Closed			
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12.	Receipt of Minutes of Council Committees	
	Recommendation: That Council <i>RECEIVES and CONSIDERS</i> the minutes of the: 1. Planning and Engineering Services Committee meeting held on 4 October 2021 2. Corporate and Community Development Committee meeting held on 5 October 202	21
13.	Officers Reports and Recommendations of Council Committees	
	Planning and Engineering Services Committee PD-033/21 Joint Development Assessment Panel Application - Proposed Fast Food Outlet EP-019/21 Draft Council Policy - Requests for Feature Lighting Corporate and Community Development Committee GM-029/21 Council meetings dates for 2022 GM-030/21 Council Policy - Attendance at Events (Absolute Majority) CD-018/21 Community Grants Program applications Round Two 2021/2022 CD-019/21 Draft Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2022 - 2026 CD-020/21 Support the location of the Golden Bay Community Garden	10 37 43 43 47 58 65 69
14.	Receipt of Information Bulletin	
	Recommendation: That Council <i>RECEIVES</i> the Information Bulletins as follows: 1. Planning Services Bulletin – October 2021 2. Engineering and Parks Services Bulletin – October 2021 3. Corporate and General Management Services Bulletin – October 2021 4. Community Development Bulletin – October 2021 subject to the following amendment to the Corporate and General Management Serv bulletin – Corporate Services - 4.1 List of Payments The April 2021 Credit Card Statement was duplicated in error. The omitted statement fo April 2021 to 28 May 2021 has been included in the October 2021 bulletin.	
15.	Report of Mayor	
	MR-010/21 Meetings and Functions Attended by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor	77
16.	Reports of Councillors	
17.	Reports of Officers	
18.	Addendum Agenda	
19.	Motions of which Previous Notice has been given	

20.	Notices of Motion for Consideration at the Following Meeting
21.	Questions by Members of which Due Notice has been given
22.	Urgent Business Approved by the Person Presiding or by Decision of the Council
23.	Matters Behind Closed Doors
24.	Date and Time of Next Meeting
	The next Ordinary Council meeting for the City of Rockingham will be held on Tuesday 23 November 2021 in the Council Chambers, Civic Boulevard, Rockingham.
25.	Closure

13. Officers Reports and Recommendations of Council Committees

Planning and Engineering Services Committee

Planning and Development Services Statutory Planning Services

PD-033/21



Application - Proposed Fast Food

Joint Development Assessment Panel Application - Proposed Fast Food Outlet

File No: DD020.2021.00000230.001

Applicant: Planning Solutions Pty Ltd

Owner: MGP Baldivis Pty Ltd

Author: Mr David Banovic, Senior Projects Officer

Other Contributors: Mr Eric Anderson, Planning Officer

Mr Mike Ross, Manager Statutory Planning

Date of Committee Meeting: 4 October 2021

Previously before Council:

Reference No & Subject:

Disclosure of Interest:

Nature of Council's Role in

this Matter:

Tribunal

Site: Lot 1 (No.364) Baldivis Road, Baldivis

Lot Area: 4.0432ha

LA Zoning: Development

MRS Zoning: Urban

Attachments: Responsible Authority Report

Maps/Diagrams: 1. Location Plan

2. Aerial Photograph of the Subject Site

3. Structure Plan Map (Extract)

4. Structure Plan - Advertised Commercial Concept Plan

5. Approved Subdivision Plan

6. Approved Local Development Plan (Plan Extract)

7. Proposed Site Plan

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- 15. Additional Trees Recommended for Planting and Retention
- 16. Signage Plan Variations

Purpose of Report

To provide a recommendation to the Metro Outer Joint Development Assessment Panel (MOJDAP) on an Application for a Fast Food Outlet on a portion of Lot 1 (No.364) Baldivis Road, Baldivis.

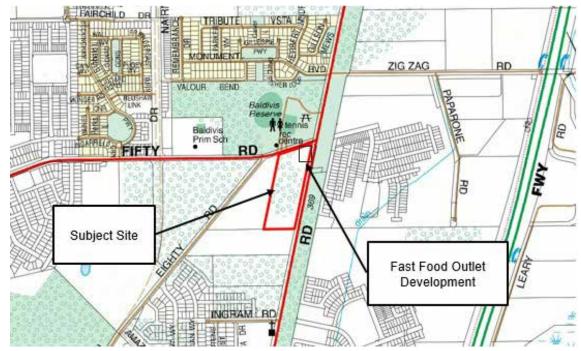
Background

Site Context

The subject site is approximately 4.04 hectares and currently contains a Single Dwelling.

The subject site is bounded by Fifty Road to the north, rural properties to the west, a poultry farm to the south and Baldivis Road to the east. The property to the west and further on the opposite side of Eighty Road are zoned for future urban development.

Directly to the north, on the opposite side of Fifty Road, is Baldivis Reserve which includes a small oval, tennis courts, recreation centre and bushland. Approximately 250m to the north-west of the opposite side of Fifty Road is the Baldivis Primary School.



1. Location Plan



2. Aerial Photograph of the Subject Site

Planning Proposals

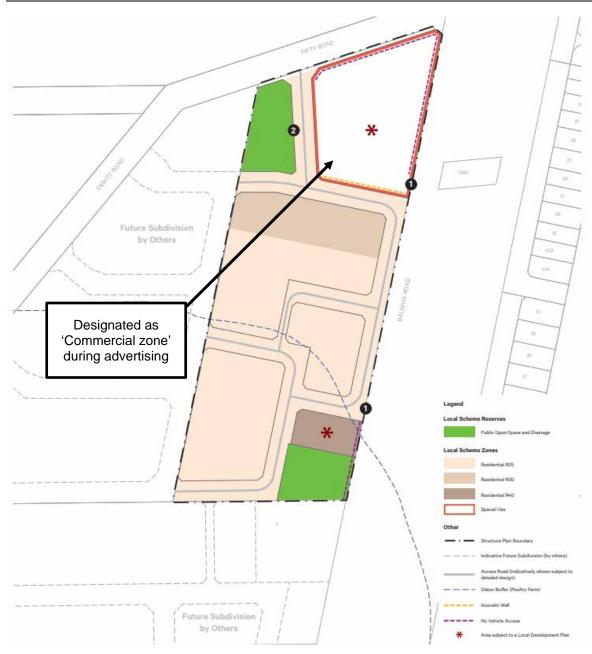
The following outlines the recent planning proposals on this site.

Structure Plan

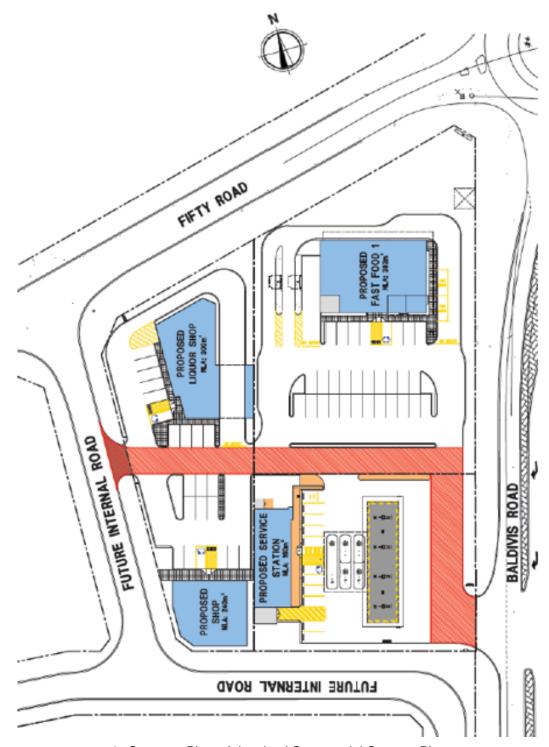
The City received a Structure Plan (SP) proposal over the site in October 2018, which planned for residential development at a density of Residential 'R25' (average lot size of 350m²), a Public Open Space contribution and access arrangements.

A Commercial zone was also proposed in the most north-eastern corner of the site at the Baldivis Road and Fifty Road intersection, with the following indicative land uses contemplated (subject to separate Development Approval/s):

- Ÿ Shop;
- Y Service Station;
- Y Liquor Store Small; and
- \(\bar{Y} \)
 \(\text{Fast Food Outlet.} \)



3. Structure Plan Map (Extract)



4. Structure Plan - Advertised Commercial Concept Plan

In July 2020, following consideration of the submissions received and the City's assessment of the proposal, Council resolved to recommend that the SP be approved (PD-035/20), subject to various modifications including "The proposed commercial site be zoned Special Use on the Local Structure Plan Map".

In order to ensure potential impacts on other planned Commercial Centres is limited, the City recommended that the proposed 'Commercial zone' be modified to a 'Special Use zone' with conditions that limit retail floor area and prohibit non-compatible land uses, details of which are discussed below within the Legal and Statutory section of this Report.

In December 2020, the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) formally reviewed the SP and decided to request various modifications, in accordance with recommendations made by the City.

Subsequently, in April 2021, WAPC resolved to approve the modified SP (refer to Figure 3 above). Subdivision Application

In April 2021, the WAPC also granted Subdivision Approval over the Special Use zone for four freehold (green title) lots. Condition 21 of the Subdivision Approval required a Local Development Plan (LDP) to be prepared and approved in accordance with the Subdivision Plan.



5. Approved Subdivision Plan

Development Application and Local Development Plan

In January 2021, a LDP for the Special Use zone was submitted to the City for consideration along with a concurrent Development Application for a Liquor Store - Small on future Lot 2 and Service Station on Lot 3.

Following consideration of submissions (public and Government agencies inclusive of Department of Health and Department of Water and Environmental Regulation) received on both proposals and the City's assessment, the City approved the LDP in May 2021 and subsequently the Development Application in August 2021.

No Development Applications have been submitted to the City for consideration on future Lot 4.



6. Approved Local Development Plan (Plan Extract)

Subject Development Application

In September 2021, a Development Assessment Panel (DAP) Application was lodged by the Applicant for a Fast Food Outlet, on the north-eastern portion of the Special Use zone.

The area of land subject to this application is future Lot 1 (refer to Figures 5 and 6 above) with a total area of 3563m², and a portion of future Lots 2 and 3 which includes a vehicle access easement connecting Baldivis Road to an internal subdivision road linked to Fifty Road.

For clarity, future Lot 1 is referred to throughout this Report as the 'development site', whilst the Special Use zone is referred to as the 'Local Commercial Centre'.

Details

This application seeks Development Approval for the use and development of a drive-through Fast Food Outlet, associated signage, parking, landscaping and access on a portion of the Local Commercial Centre site.

Specifically, the development provides for:

- A single storey building comprising a Net Lettable Area (NLA) of 270m²;
- An enclosed plant and servicing area within the western portion of the building and adjacent shared loading bay for service vehicles;
- A dual-lane drive-through and pick-up window with canopy and drive-through screen on the northern elevation of the building;
- Various signage including a prominent 12.0m high Pylon Sign adjacent to the Baldivis Road and Fifty Road intersection;
- 26 car parking bays, including one accessible parking bay adjacent to the building entrance;
- Two drive-through waiting bays plus car stacking capacity for 14 cars within the drivethrough facility;
- Bicycle parking racks;
- Landscaping along the frontages and within the subject site, including a mix of soft landscaping beds and shade trees; and
- An internal footpath network which is proposed to link the building entrance with the existing pedestrian footpath from Baldivis Road and remaining planned Centre to the south.

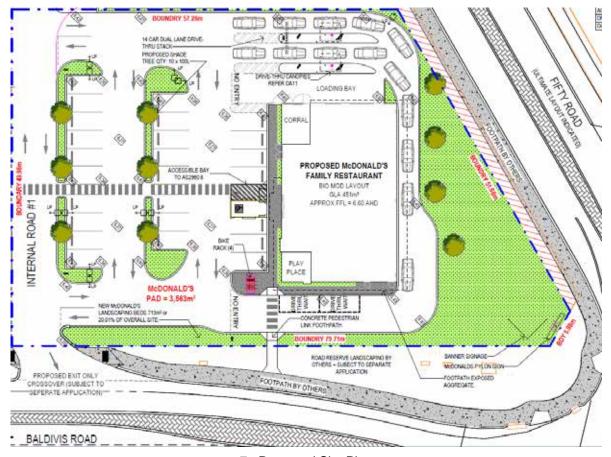
The development is proposed to operate 24 hours per day, seven days a week and will accommodate 10 to 15 staff at any one time.

The development will be accessible by a planned vehicle access point for the Local Commercial Centre, being a (southern) left-in/right-in crossover with a left-turn/right-turn slip lane in both directions on Baldivis Road, a separate (northern) left-out only crossover on Baldivis Road, and a full movement crossover to the planned internal subdivision road to the western boundary of the Centre connecting to Fifty Road.

Deliveries and waste collection will be undertaken within the loading bay located to the west of the building. The service vehicles and waste collection trucks will enter the site from Baldivis Road, circulate the internal Local Commercial Centre site's car park to the development and access the loading bay in a reverse movement. Subsequently, vehicles will leave the loading bay and return onto Baldivis Road in a forward gear.

The following Reports and Plans accompanied the DAP Application:

- Planning Report;
- Traffic Impact Assessment;
- Bushfire Management Plan;
- Environmental Noise Assessment; and
- Development Plans and Perspectives.



7. Proposed Site Plan



8. Perspective of Development When Viewed from the Corner of Baldivis Road and Fifty Road



9. Perspective of Development When Viewed Internally Facing Baldivis Road



10. Perspective of Development When Viewed Internally Facing Fifty Road



11. Building when viewed from Baldivis Road (Eastern Elevation)



12. Building When Viewed Internally (Western Elevation)



13. Building When Viewed from Fifty Road (Northern Elevation)



14. Building When Viewed Internally (Southern Elevation)

Implications to Consider

a. Consultation with the Community

Pursuant to Clause 64(1)(c) of the Deemed Provisions of Town Planning Scheme No.2 (TPS2), the local government has the discretion to advertise, or not to advertise an application seeking Development Approval.

As the proposed development is consistent with the adopted SP and is generally consistent with the approved LDP which established the development control provisions over the site, advertising is not considered to be necessary for this commercial proposal.

b. Consultation with Government Agencies

Nil

c. Strategic

Community Plan

This item addresses the Community's Vision for the future and specifically the following Aspiration and Strategic Objective contained in the Strategic Community Plan 2019-2029:

Aspiration 3: Plan for Future Generations

Strategic Objective: Responsive Planning and Control of Land Use - Plan and control

the use of land to meet the needs of a growing population, with

consideration of future generations.

d. Policy

Assessment of the proposal has been limited to areas where discretion is sought to vary a Policy requirement.

State Government Policies

State Planning Policy 7.0 - Design of the Built Environment (SPP7.0)

SPP7.0 provides the broad framework for the design of the built environment across Western Australia, and applies to all levels of the planning hierarchy, including the assessment of Development Applications.

The objectives of this Policy seek to provide, inter alia, a coordinated strategy of design quality mechanisms to achieve design outcomes that meet government and community expectations, including:

- Design principles performance based approach to policy;
- Design review skilled evaluation expertise; and
- Design skills skilled design expertise.

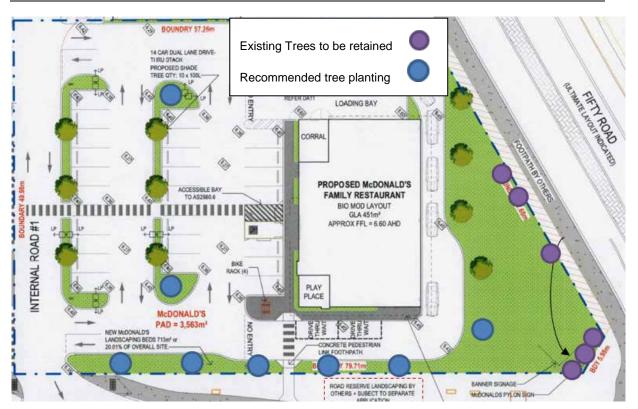
The City is satisfied that the proposal meets all but two of the 10 principles being:

- Landscape Quality; and
- Built Form and Scale.

The City's comments against these two principles are provided in the table below:

Design Principle	City Comment	
Principle 2 - Landscape Quality	Development Site	
Good design recognises that together landscape and buildings operate as an integrated and sustainable system, within a broader ecological context.	Development provides for a large landscaping area, however, minimal trees are proposed to be planted throughout the development site, and therefore, it is recommended additional tree planting be included. The approximate location of additional trees recommended for planting are identified on Figure 15 below, to provide additional shade, visual softening and blending.	
	The City's recommended tree size (200ltr) ensures the trees are significantly smaller in relation to the signage and are spaced out at approximately 10m apart. The recommended tree size and spacing ensures there is no unreasonable impact upon marketing or sightlines.	
	The trees on the boundary of Fifty Road (not identified on the plans) and trees on the truncation of Baldivis Road and Fifty Road intersection (also not identified on the plans) should be retained.	

Design Principle	City Comment		
	Road Reserve		
	Verge landscape improvements are not included as part of this application.		
	The Applicant's Plans for the section of verge fronting the development site note "landscaping by others + subject to separate application". This appears to be contingent of Condition 23 of the Subdivision Approval which requires a Landscape Management Plan to be prepared and submitted to the City of Rockingham for the Local Commercial Centre. Given the condition does not specify management obligations, the City recommends a Landscaping Condition which clarifies the on-going maintenance responsibilities for duration of development.		
	<u>Overall</u>		
	The City is of the view that the development should as far as practical tie the development into its surrounds, being a treed environment near the Tramway Reserve and Baldivis Reserve. Any replacement trees as part of the subdivision and development works are also expected to be provided within the public realm or on-site as per the recommended plan below.		
Principle 3 - Built Form and Scale	The sign equates to a height of a four storey		
Good design ensures that the massing and height of development	building which is out of context for this Local Commercial Centre.		
is appropriate to its setting and successfully negotiates between	Signage is discussed in detail below, within the Local Government Policies section of this Report.		
existing built form and the intended future character of the local area.	*Note: the Applicant had verbally agreed to reduce the height of the Pylon Sign to 9.0m and also remove the Banner Sign which is detailed further below, however, as Revised Plans had not been submitted to address these matters, the City finalised its assessment and Report on information which was originally submitted.*		



15. Additional Trees Recommended for Planting and Retention

It is considered that the application of appropriate Conditions of Development Approval requiring some minor modifications to landscaping and Signage Strategy, will ensure that the aforementioned Design Principles are adequately addressed.

Local Government Policies

Planning Policy 3.3.1 - Control of Advertisements (PP3.3.1)

The application includes the location of proposed signage on submitted plans 'DA1' and 'DA3'. The application includes eleven (11) wall signs, five (5) directional signs, four (4) illuminated signs, one (1) banner sign with two panels and one (1) pylon sign.

A Signage Strategy was submitted in support of the application.

The relevant objectives of PP3.3.1 are to:

- "(a) Ensure that advertisements are appropriate for their location;
- (b) Minimise the proliferation of advertisements;
- (c) Ensure that advertisements do not adversely impact on traffic circulation and management, or pedestrian safety;
- (d) Protect the amenity of residential areas, townscape areas and areas of environmental significance; and
- (h) Ensure advertisements are generally erected on land where the advertised business, sale of goods or service is being carried out;"

The following "advertisements shall not be permitted provision" is of relevance:

"(c) Advertisements located on land not owned or leased by the advertiser unless where otherwise specified in this Planning Policy;"

The majority of the signs, excluding the pylon sign and the banner pole signs, are considered to be generally consistent with the objectives of PP3.3.1. The standalone directional signage (in two locations) outside of the development site boundaries are also of concern and are not permitted by the Policy.

The following table provides an assessment of the pylon sign under which PP3.3.1 discretion is sought:

A Pylon Sign must not:	Officer Comment
Be located within 1.8m of a boundary.	The proposed setback from the bulk of the Pylon Sign is 0.47m. The pole is setback 0.62m in lieu of 1.8m from the boundary.
Be situated within 6.0m of any other sign of the same lot.	The sign is within 6.0m of proposed banner signage.
Have a height exceeding 6.0m, unless it can be demonstrated to the Council that a greater height is warranted and it complies with the objectives of this Planning Policy. In any event, a Pylon Sign shall not exceed 9.0m in height.	A total height of 12m above natural ground level is proposed.
Have a face area exceeding more than 3.5m width or height.	The face width is 4.34m and the height is 4.75m.
Have a face area of more than $4m^2$ on each side (single tenancy) or $13m^2$ on each side (multiple tenancy).	The face area based on the length and width is 20.62m². The shape of the sign occupies 13.76m². If the inside of the 'M' is not included the area of the sign is 9.66m².

Pylon Sign

There are no comparable pylon signs in the locality, however, it is noted that the approved pylon signage for the Service Station development on the planned southern lot includes 9.0m high pylon signage. The proposed pylon sign is situated at a prominent corner intersection, clearly visible on approach at a height double the Fast Food Outlet building. The proposed 12.0m height of the pylon sign is not supported. There are no traffic related concerns with respect to the setback of the pylon sign from the intersection, thus the reduced setback is supported by the City.

Banner Sign

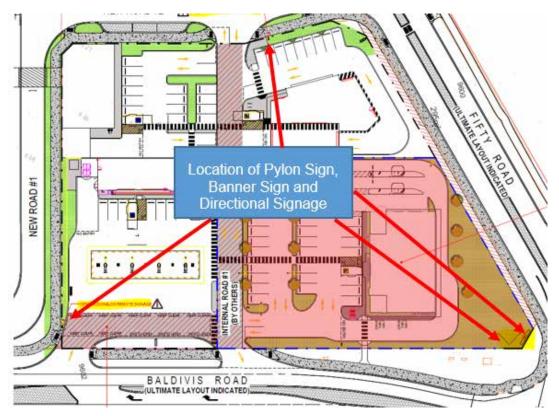
PP3.3.1 defines banner pole signs as:

"promotional banner erected on an approved banner pole displaying information about sporting, cultural, community, recreation and tourist events/activities which may acknowledge sponsor involvement in the promotion of such events/activities".

Information pertaining to what is included on the banner signage has not been included in the application. The only reference is made on the plans which states "McDonalds Banner fixed with eyebolts." The Applicant subsequently verbally confirmed that the banner signage was purely intended for promotion of fast food outlet products. The City does not consider a Fast Food Outlet to be a sporting, cultural, community or recreational and tourist activity/event and as such this form of advertising is not supported by the City.

Directional Signage

There are five (5) directional signs which are considered too many. Two (2) of these signs are located outside the development site (i.e. one on future Service Station site adjacent to the southern boundary and one on the future Liquor Store - Small site adjacent to the western boundary of the Local Commercial Centre). The City considers that these advertising signs should be removed to limit over-proliferation of signage.



16. Signage Plan Variations

Planning Policy 3.3.9 - Fast Food Outlets (PP3.3.9)

PP3.3.9 provides development standards relating to the development of Fast Food Outlets within the City.

The objectives of PP3.3.9 are:

- "(a) To promote the orderly and proper development of land by making suitable provisions relating to the location and design of Fast Food Outlets.
- (b) To secure the amenity and convenience of the locality through appropriate development requirements."

The proposed Policy variations are discussed in the table below:

Policy Requirement	Provided	Compliance			
Location	Location				
The preferred locations for Fast Food Outlets are within approved Neighbourhood and District Town Centre zones and within the City Centre Zones specified under Clause 2(a) of this Policy.	The proposed development is situated within a Local Commercial Centre, which limits retail floor area. Based on the total NLA being capped at 1,300m², the Local Commercial Centre is considered akin to a Local Centre type environment.	The Centre has been identified as a preferred location for the development/use of a Fast Food Outlet via preceding planning processes i.e. SP and LDP.			

Policy Requirement	Provided	Compliance		
Development Standards				
In its consideration of proposals to establish Fast Food Outlets, the City will seek to reduce the impact of the use on the amenity of the locality (particularly adjacent to residential areas), through the following measures:	Various signage including a prominent 12.0m high pylon sign is proposed. The pylon sign exceeds the maximum permissible height by 3.0m.	Refer to the signage assessment above.		
Development Standards				
(a) The location of signage, parking, drive-through facility, bin storage areas and service vehicle access.	Apart from the height of the pylon sign, the City is also concerned with the proliferation of signage which also extends beyond the boundaries of development site, as well as banner signage located within close proximity to the pylon sign.			
Advertising Signs				
Any proposed advertising must accord with the deemed provisions and Planning Policy 3.3.1 - Control of Advertisements.	The height of the pylon sign does not accord with the PP3.3.1 Policy requirements. Information pertaining to what is included on the banner sign has not been adequately addressed. Furthermore, the Applicant has not demonstrated that the proposal seeks to minimise the proliferation of signage.	Refer to the signage assessment above.		

The proposal is generally compliant. Signage can be addressed via conditions of Development Approval.

Planning Policy 3.4.3 – Urban Water (PP3.4.3)

A Stormwater Management Plan (SMP) was not submitted as part of the Development Application, nor is there any mention regarding management principles in the application.

As per PP3.4.3, a SMP is required to support a Development Application. Whilst the Urban Water Management Plan is yet to be approved to support the subdivision of the Local Commercial Centre, the on-site stormwater management requirements for a commercial area are expected to be consistent with the overarching Local Water Management Strategy. A SMP will be required at the detailed design stage to reflect the engineering plans for the subdivision and landscape plan for this development.

e. Financial

Nil

f. Legal and Statutory

<u>Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 (Planning Regulations)</u>

Clause 27 of Schedule 2 of the Deemed Provisions states that a decision-maker for an application for Development Approval in an area that is covered by a SP is to have due regard to, but is not bound by, the SP when deciding the application.

As detailed in the Background section of this Report, the Local Commercial Centre is covered by the SP which was approved by the WAPC in April 2021.

The following SP requirements/conditions apply to this proposal:

- All uses as listed in accordance with the Commercial zone of Table No.1 Zoning Table of the Council's Town Planning Scheme, with the exception of the following, which shall not be permitted: Liquor Store Large, Tavern and Warehouse/Storage;
- A total shop/retail NLA area of 1,300m² of land use activities included in the Planning Land Use Category 5 'shop/retail' as defined by WAPC Perth and Peel land use and Employment Survey (as amended) applies;
- One full movement access point from Baldivis Road and one full movement access point from an internal subdivision road to the western boundary of the Local Commercial Centre connecting to Fifty Road.
- Development is to occur in accordance with an approved LDP.

In regard to the above provisions:

- A Fast Food Outlet land use is Permitted;
- The approved shop/retail NLA for the Local Commercial Centre inclusive of the proposal equates to approximately 742m². Future development on Lot 4 will not be compromised;
- Vehicle access arrangements along Baldivis Road for the Local Commercial Centre were carried across into the LDP. A LDP has been approved over the land, details of which are discussed below.

Accordingly, the proposal satisfies the requirements of the SP.

Local Development Plan

The LDP is oriented around providing customer 'drive through' services, however, contains provisions relating to built-form, landscaping, pedestrian access, vehicular access, fencing, noise management, existing trees and car parking.

Assessment of the proposal against the LDP provisions is limited to areas where the development requires discretion, as detailed in the table below:

Provisions	Provided	Compliance
Landscaping		
A minimum 2.0m landscaping strip is to be provided abutting public streets generally in the location shown in the LDP.	Landscaping strip width along the Baldivis Road frontage varies in width from 1.7m to 2.7m. Landscaping strip width along the Fifty Road frontage varies from Nil to 16.8m.	Partially, however, the dedicated landscaping area at the intersection of Baldivis Road and Fifty Road substantially compensates for the reduction in minimum width. The overall provision of landscaping is double what is require under the LDP.

Provisions	Provided	Compliance
Vehicle Access		
Vehicular access is to be provided as shown in this LDP i.e. one full movement access point from Baldivis Road and one full movement access point form an internal subdivision road to the western boundary of the Local Commercial Centre connecting to Fifty Road.	The development is proposed to be accessible by a planned vehicle access point for the Local Commercial Centre, being a (southern) left-in/right-in crossover with a left-turn/right-turn slip lane in both directions on Baldivis Road, a separate (northern) Left-out only crossover on Baldivis Road, and a full movement crossover to the planned internal subdivision road to the western boundary of the Local Commercial Centre connecting to Fifty Road.	Partially, however, intended access arrangements along Baldivis Road are consistent with prior Development Approval for the adjoining Liquor Store - Small and Service Station development which was/is supported by the City. The new access arrangements along Baldivis Road provide for greater level of legibility, convenience and safety though the Local Commercial Centre.

The LDP variations to Landscaping and Vehicular Access provisions are considered acceptable.

City of Rockingham Town Planning Scheme No.2 (TPS2)

TPS2 defines the proposed land use as "premises used for the preparation, sale and serving of food to customers in a form ready to be eaten without further preparation, primarily off the premises, but does not include a lunch bar."

Within the Special Use zone under the adopted SP, a Fast Food Outlet is a Permitted land use.

Clause 4.6.3 - Parking

TPS2 requires the provision of on-site parking for vehicles for development on Commercial zoned land in accordance with the provisions of Clause 4.15 and Table No.2. The table below provides an assessment of the proposal against the relevant car parking requirements of TPS2.

Use	Rate	Required	Provided
Fast Food Outlet	1 bay per 11m ² NLA (including outdoor eating areas)	28 (308m² NLA)	26
* Note: As per the requirements of Local Planning Policy 3.3.9 Fast Food Outlets, the number of on-site			

bays can be reduced where a drive through facility is proposed.

The proposed development provides a total of 26 on-site car parking spaces, which does not satisfy the car parking requirements of Clause 4.15 of TPS2.

Notwithstanding this two (2) bay shortfall, pursuant to Clause 4.3 of PP3.3.9, up to a maximum of 50% of the drive-through queue lane can be utilised for the car parking allocation. The drive-through facility associated with the Fast Food Outlet accommodates for queuing of up to 14 cars. Therefore, the number of parking bays required on-site can be reduced to 21, thus resulting in an on-site surplus of five (5) bays.

Clause 5.3 - Control of Advertisements

Clause 5.3.1 requires Development Approval to be obtained for the erection of advertisements. In considering an application for an advertisement, Council is required to consider the objectives of TPS2. The proposed Signage Strategy as submitted is considered to be inconsistent with TPS2 objectives. Signage was discussed previously in the Policy section of this Report.

Environmental Protection (Noise) Regulations 1997 (Noise Regulations)

The potential noise impacts resulting from the proposed development has been assessed against the Noise Regulations. Compliance with the assigned noise levels has been demonstrated for all time periods for the surrounding land uses, however, this is predicated on the basis that the Service Station development is constructed.

Further noise mitigation measures may be necessary in the event this development is constructed and is ready for operation in advance of the Service Station development. In order to manage the potential noise implications in such event, a precautionary condition is recommended that requires a final acoustic assessment to be prepared and is provided to the City of Rockingham which demonstrates to the City's satisfaction, that the completed development complies with the Noise Regulations.

The recommended condition may be satisfied alternatively without the need for the Applicant to submit a final acoustic assessment, if the Service Station has substantially commenced development.

g. Risk

All Council decisions are subject to risk assessment according to the City's Risk Framework.

Implications and comment will only be provided for the following assessed risks.

Customer Service / Project management / Environment: High and Extreme Risks Finance / Personal Health and Safety: Medium, High and Extreme Risks

Nil

Comments

The proposed development is an approved land use within the Local Commercial Centre under TPS2. Subject to appropriate conditions in order to address the City's concerns pertaining to landscaping and signage, the proposed development is considered to be compliant with TPS2, SP, LDP and Policy requirements.

Where matters have not been covered already in this Report, they are discussed below.

Site Plan Layout

There are some concerns regarding the Site Plan layout which are unresolved, including inconsistency with engineering plans for the subdivision works and concerns regarding internal vehicular circulation, however, these matters can be managed through clarification and appropriate conditions of Development Approval and are discussed below.

Engineering

The submitted plans for the Development Application include an Overall Site Plan which does not match the latest engineering base plans for Baldivis Road and New Road No.2 (e.g. left turn slip lane). In this regard, it is recommended that the Overall Site Plan be excluded from the approved drawings for this application. This plan is further not required, as the City does not support the proposed directional signage outside the development site.

Light Pole

Given the level of detail the proposed light pole located adjacent to the internal road No.1 appears to restrict the movement of commercial vehicles, specifically fuel tankers for the Service Station development. The City is uncertain of the height of the light pole, but notes the light head does intrude into the internal road.

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Kerb Ramp

The City does not support the proposed kerb ramp being located within the shared area of the universal bay. The kerb ramp is required to be redesigned to ensure it is located outside of the shared area.

Consultation

The Fast Food Outlet location was identified via the preceding Structure Plan and Local Development Plan processes and referred to relevant government agencies for comment. The Department of Education was consulted and advised, amongst other things, that it had no objection to the Fast Food Outlet component with respect to its location proximate to the Baldivis Primary School.

Conclusion

The proposed development is considered to be suitable for its site and locality. It is therefore recommended that the application for a Fast Food Outlet be conditionally approved.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

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In accordance with Clause 68 of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 and the provisions of clause 68(2)(b) of the deemed provisions of the City of Rockingham Town Planning Scheme No. 2, subject to the following conditions as follows:

Conditions

- This decision constitutes Development Approval only and is valid for a period of four years from the date of approval (this is inclusive of the additional two years available under 'Clause 78H Notice of Exemption from planning requirements during State of Emergency' issued by the Minister for Planning on 8 April 2020). If the subject development is not substantially commenced within the specified period, the approval shall lapse and be of no further effect.
- 2. A Dust, Noise and Vibration Management Plan is to be submitted and approved by the City of Rockingham prior to the commencement of works.
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 - (vii) Install five (5) additional trees along the Baldivis Road boundary, two (2) trees within the carpark planted nibs and one (1) additional tree along Fifty Road boundary. All trees are to be a minimum of 200Ltr.

The landscaping (including all verge landscaping) must be completed prior to the occupation of the development by the operator or landowner, and must be maintained at all times to the satisfaction of the City of Rockingham.

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All works must be carried out in accordance with the Waste Management Plan and maintained at all times, for the duration of development.

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Committee Voting (Carried) - 4/0

The Committee's Reason for Varying the Officer's Recommendation

To ensure the area is free of rubbish and not blown off-site.

Implications of the Changes to the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Engineering and Parks Services Director and Support Services



Reference No & Subject: EP-019/21 Draft Council Policy - Requests for Feature Lighting

File No: CPR/853-04

Applicant:

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Date of Committee Meeting: 4 October 2021

Previously before Council: 25 August 2020 (EP-017/20)

Disclosure of Interest:

Nature of Council's Role in this Matter:

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Site:

Lot Area:

LA Zoning:

MRS Zoning:

Attachments:

Maps/Diagrams:

Executive

Purpose of Report

To seek Council endorsement of the draft Council Policy - Requests for Feature Lighting for the purpose of public comment.

Background

The City of Rockingham currently has the capability for feature lighting displays at the Rockingham beach foreshore. It is intended in the medium term to add this capability to the City of Rockingham administration clock tower, and may form part of future major developments within the City of Rockingham.

Community requests for feature lighting of the clock tower and the Rockingham beach foreshore have escalated since the administration clock tower went 'Green for Parks' during the COVID-19 pandemic in 2019.

To enable effective management of these requests, Council on 25 August 2020 supported the preparation of a Policy on requests for feature lighting for the purposes of state, national or internationally recognised health and wellbeing campaigns and the City of Rockingham for its own purposes.

The draft Policy is now presented to Council for endorsement to proceed to public consultation.

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Details

The draft Policy provides guidance for consideration of feature lighting requests.

Approach

This Policy is to support health and wellbeing campaigns that are not for the material benefit of any individual or organisation.

The Policy utilises definitions common to other City policies as well as internationally recognised definitions.

Whom can make a request for feature lighting?

Requests can only be made by office bearers of relevant not-for-profit organisations, specifically defined as being:

- Companies limited by guarantee
- · Educational institutions, or
- Incorporated not-for-profit organisations/associations.

The City of Rockingham can also utilise feature lighting for its own purposes.

For what purposes will requests be considered?

Requests will only be considered for the promotion of health and wellbeing issues, defined as being recognised internationally or nationally; of particular significance to WA or Perth; or aligned with a City of Rockingham strategy, project or event.

Can requests be made for specific times?

Requests can be made for any time that aligns with the purpose, and does not conflict with the City of Rockingham's own use (for instance, Australia Day and the Christmas period will be exclusively for City utilisation).

Costs

The cost to change the feature lighting at the Rockingham Beach Foreshore is minimal as it is an electronically controlled system. The City of Rockingham Administration Clock Tower is a manual system requiring electricians using elevated work platforms to change the lenses at a cost of \$1000 per change.

The City of Rockingham Administration Re-rendering project includes the upgrade of the lighting system in 2022-2023.

Implications to Consider

a. Consultation with the Community

Pending Council endorsement, the draft Policy will be advertised for public comment for a period of 14 days.

b. Consultation with Government Agencies

Not Applicable

c. Strategic

Community Plan

This item addresses the Community's Vision for the future and specifically the following Aspirations and Strategic Objectives contained in the Strategic Community Plan 2019-2029:

Aspiration 2: Grow and Nurture Community Connectedness and Wellbeing

Strategic Objective: Community Capacity Building - Empower the community across all

ages and abilities to be culturally aware and involved with a diverse range of community initiatives that incorporate volunteering, sport,

culture and the arts.

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Aspiration 4: Deliver Quality Leadership and Business Expertise

Strategic Objective: Key Stakeholder Partnerships - Foster relationships and

partnerships with key stakeholders to achieve enhanced community

outcomes.

d. Policy

Nil

e. Financial

The costs for conducting community consultation of the draft Policy if endorsed by Council is estimated at \$500. This will be funded through the Engineering and Parks Services Directorate budget.

f. Legal and Statutory

Nil

g. Risk

All Council decisions are subject to risk assessment according to the City's Risk Framework.

Implications and comment will only be provided for the following assessed risks.

Customer Service / Project management / Environment: High and Extreme Risks Finance / Personal Health and Safety: Medium, High and Extreme Risks

Nil

Comments

The draft Council Policy - Requests for Feature Lighting provides direction to the City on how to manage requests received for current and future feature lighting infrastructure, while supporting the community in highlighting campaigns to improve health and wellbeing.

Following a review of public comments received, the Policy will be returned to Council for final adoption.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council **SUPPORTS** the draft Council Policy - Requests for Feature Lighting, for the purpose of public comment, as follows:

Council Policy - Requests for Feature Lighting

Council Policy Objective

To direct the City of Rockingham administration in the management of feature lighting.

Council Policy Scope

Rockingham Beach Foreshore feature lighting.

City of Rockingham Administration building clock tower.

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) has discretion to add additional sites where the City has direct control over the lighting and has capability to provide feature lighting (by colour and/or templates).

Council Policy Statement

- 1. Requests for the City of Rockingham to provide feature lighting displays may be made:
 - By office bearers of incorporated not-for-profit organisations/associations (NFP); companies limited by guarantee (CLG); or educational institutions (EI) for the purpose of promoting a health and wellbeing issue that is;
 - (a) recognised internationally or nationally; and/or
 - (b) may be of particular significance to Perth or Western Australia, and/or

- (c) is aligned with a City of Rockingham strategy, project or event; or
- 1.2 By the City of Rockingham for its own purposes.
- 2. Feature Lighting bookings:
 - 2.1 Are to be made, and to be assessed, as per the City of Rockingham Procedure on Requests for Feature Lighting
 - 2.2 Cannot be made by NFPs, CLGs and Els for:
 - (a) Australia Day
 - (b) Christmas period (coinciding with the City of Rockingham Christmas lights display)
 - (c) Any other time the City is using the feature lighting for its own purpose.
- The CEO will develop procedures for assessment of feature lighting requests
- 4. The CEO has discretion to accept or reject an application for feature lighting.

Definitions

In this Policy, unless the contrary intention appears:

Company Limited by Guarantee - Specialised form of public company designed for non-profit organisations. In Australia companies limited by guarantee are subject to the Corporations Act 2001 (Commonwealth) and administered by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC).

Educational Institutions - An institution physically within the boundaries of the City of Rockingham that is available or open to the public or a section of the public and whose sole purpose is providing education. Any other purpose of the organisation must be incidental or ancillary to providing public education. Education in this context does not extend to merely providing information or lobbying.

Public educational institutions include:

- Universities or colleges managed by public bodies;
- All primary and secondary schools;
- Not for Profit business colleges.

Organisations that are not public educational institutions include:

- colleges run for the profit of the private owners
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- promotional and lobbying bodies.

Feature lighting - coloured lighting, or special form (e.g. template shapes) lighting, within the City of Rockingham, and directly under the control of the City of Rockingham.

Health and wellbeing campaign - any publicly visible non-commercial activity, promotion or awareness raising exercise that is seeking to achieve individual and/or group physical, mental and/or social improvements within the community.

Incorporated Associations - An "incorporated association":

- (a) Cannot operate for the profit or gain of its individual members;
- (b) Must contribute to the community in a social, sporting, cultural, environmental or charitable context; and
- (c) Demonstrates local volunteer involvement.

Legislation

Nil

Other Relevant Policies/Key Documents

Nil

Responsible Division

Engineering and Parks Services

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Review Date

To be reviewed every three (3) years

Committee Recommendation

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Legislation

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Other Relevant Policies/Key Documents

Nil

Responsible Division

Engineering and Parks Services

Review Date

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Committee Voting (Carried) - 4/0

The Committee's Reason for Varying the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Implications of the Changes to the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Corporate and Community Development Committee

General Management Services Governance and Councillor Support



Reference No & Subject: GM-029/21 Council meetings dates for 2022

File No: GOV/74

Proponent/s:

Author: Ms Jelette Edwards, A/Manager Governance and Councillor

Support

Other Contributors:

Date of Committee Meeting: 5 October 2021

Previously before Council:

Disclosure of Interest:

Nature of Council's Role in

this Matter:

Executive

Site:

Lot Area:

Attachments:

Maps/Diagrams:

Purpose of Report

For Council to consider the dates proposed for Council meetings for the 2022 year.

Background

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1995, a local government is to at least once a year give local public notice of the date, time and place for Council meetings for the next 12 months.

The Governance and Meeting Framework notes that Council meetings are generally held on the fourth Tuesday of each month commencing at 6:00pm in the Council Chamber. The Planning and Engineering Services Committee and Corporate and Community Development Committee generally meet in the Council Chambers commencing at 4:00pm on the following dates:

- · Planning and Engineering Services Committee Third Monday of each month.
- Corporate and Community Development Committee Third Tuesday of each month.

Details

The exception to the above is the compression of the meeting schedule in December where the Council meeting is brought forward by one week to accommodate the Christmas season, resulting in the Committee meetings also being held one week earlier.

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As Easter Monday falls on Monday 18 April 2022 it is proposed to hold the Planning and Engineering Services Committee meeting on Tuesday 19 April 2022 and the Corporate and Community Development Committee meeting on Wednesday 20 April 2022.

Therefore the following dates are scheduled for meetings in 2022:

1) Council Meetings (commencing at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers)

January 25	April 26	July 26	October 25
February 22	May 24	August 23	November 22
March 22	June 28	September 27	December 20

2) Planning and Engineering Services Committee (commencing at 4:00pm)

January 17	April 19 (Tues)	July 18	October 17
February 14	May 16	August 15	November 14
March 14	June 20	September 19	December 12

3) Corporate and Community Development Committee (commencing at 4:00pm)

January 18	April 20 (Wed)	July 19	October 18
February 15	May 17	August 16	November 15
March 15	June 21	September 20	December 13

Implications to Consider

a. Consultation with the Community

Advertising will be undertaken in the local newspaper, Council website, social media platforms, City libraries and notice boards advising the scheduled dates for Committee and Council meetings.

b. Consultation with Government Agencies

Nil

c. Strategic

Community Plan

This item addresses the Community's Vision for the future and specifically the following Aspiration and Strategic Objective(s) contained in the Strategic Community Plan 2019-2029:

Aspiration 4: Deliver Quality Leadership and Business Expertise

Strategic Objective: Effective Governance - Apply systems of governance which

empower the Council to make considered and informed decisions within a transparent, accountable, ethical compliant environment.

d. Policy

The Governance and Meeting Framework Policy specifies that Council meetings are to be conducted on the fourth Tuesday of the month and Standing Committees to be held the Monday and Tuesday the week prior.

The scheduling of 'Standing' Committee meetings and Councillor Engagement Sessions is driven by the Governance Meeting and Framework policy once a Council meeting schedule has been adopted.

e. Financial

Cost of advertising is expected to cost approximately \$1,000.

f. Legal and Statutory

Section 5.25(1)(g) of the Local Government Act, 1995 (the Act) stipulates the giving of public notice of the date and agenda for Council and Committee meetings.

Regulation 12(1) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 further refine the Act to specify time, place and types of committees that must be advertised.

Only Committees with decision making powers delegated from Council need to be open to the public and require its meeting schedule advertised. In line with good governance practice 'Standing' Committees are open to the public and allow public question time.

g. Risk

All Council decisions are subject to risk assessment according to the City's Risk Framework.

Implications and comment will only be provided for the following assessed risks.

Customer Service / Project management / Environment : High and Extreme Risks Finance / Personal Health and Safety : Medium, High and Extreme Risks

Nil

Comments

The City endeavours to provide effective, timely and responsive decision making to meet the needs of the community and proponents of matters before Council.

Notwithstanding the use of delegated authority and policy to assist in timely and consistent decision making, the process to gain a Council decision is often a lengthy one. The current committee systems and meeting arrangements have been in place since 2013 and have been serving Council and the community very well.

The schedule of Committee meetings and Councillor Engagement Sessions are determined in accordance with the Governance and Meeting Framework Policy. There is no legislative requirement to advertise the meeting dates of the Committees as they do not make decisions through Council delegated authority.

The schedule of Council and Committee meetings are well promoted on the City's website and social media platforms including, Rockport.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council APPROVES the following Council meeting dates for 2022 -

Council Meetings (commencing at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers)

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The Committee's Reason for Varying the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Implications of the Changes to the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

General Management Services Governance and Councillor Support



GM-030/21 Council Policy - Attendance at Events **Reference No & Subject:** (Absolute Majority) File No: CPM/3 Proponent/s: Ms Jelette Edwards, A/Manager Governance and Councillor Author: Support Other Contributors: Date of Committee Meeting: 5 October 2021 Previously before Council: 17 August 2021 (GM-024/21) Disclosure of Interest: Nature of Council's Role in Executive this Matter: Site: Lot Area:

Purpose of Report

For Council to adopt the proposed Council Policy – Attendance at Events following the public consultation process.

Background

Attachments:

Maps/Diagrams:

Changes to the Local Government Act 1995 (the Act) resulted in a new requirement for Council to adopt a policy in relation to the attendance of council members and the CEO at events. While Council has a policy provision in the *Community Grants Program* policy it does not meet the current legislative requirements.

As a consequence a draft policy has been developed which meets the requirements of the Act.

The Governance Review Committee considered the draft policy at its meeting 30 March 2021 and recommended that subject to suitable redrafting and clarification in respect to –

- · Council Policy Scope gift declaration requirements (redraft)
- · Attendance of Councillor Partners as guests to pre-approved events
- Addition of 'Award ceremonies' in pre-approved events
- · Clarification of clause 2.2 to delegate to CEO (in consultation with the Mayor)
- · Clarification of invitations to events 'addressed to the City of Rockingham'

that Council approves the draft policy.

A draft policy was prepared and approved at the August 2021 Council meeting for the purpose of public comment.

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Details

Section 5.90A of the Act states -

"(2) A local government must prepare and adopt (by absolute majority) a policy that deals with matters relating to the attendance of council members and the CEO at events, including —

- (a) the provision of tickets to events; and
- (b) payments in respect of attendance; and
- (c) approval of attendance by the local government and criteria for approval; and
- (d) any prescribed matter."

For the purpose of section 5.90A **event** includes the following –

- (a) a concert;
- (b) a conference;
- (c) a function;
- (d) a sporting event;
- (e) an occasion of a kind prescribed for the purposes of this definition.

In researching and developing this draft policy the City considered guidance from the Department of Local Government Sport and Cultural Industries, and similar policies in other local governments, including Stirling, Wanneroo, and Fremantle.

The draft policy endeavours to address all those events that council members and the CEO would reasonably be expected to be invited to and attend. Such events would be too numerous to individually identify, therefore the policy seeks to identify and categorise these events.

The draft policy identifies events that:

- · can be attended without referral to Council and
- those that will require referral to Council and matters in respect to the payment of any fees, charges or other cost associated with such events.

Implications to Consider

a. Consultation with the Community

The draft policy was advertised for more than the minimum of 14 days in accordance with Council Policy – Policy Framework. Public consultation opened on 30 August closed on 17 September 2021.

Public consultation was carried out as follows:

- 1. A notice was publicised in the Sound Telegraph on 1 September 2021; and
- 2. A copy of the draft policy was advertised on the City's website with submissions invited through the Share Your Thoughts page on 30 August 2021.

At the close of the public consultation period, no submissions were received.

b. Consultation with Government Agencies

Guidance from the Department of Local Government Sport and Cultural Industries has been considered in the development of the draft policy.

c. Strategic

Community Plan

This item addresses the Community's Vision for the future and specifically the following Aspiration and Strategic Objective(s) contained in the Strategic Community Plan 2019-2029:

Aspiration 4: Deliver Quality Leadership and Business Expertise

Strategic Objective: Effective Governance - Apply systems of governance which

empower the Council to make considered and informed decisions within a transparent, accountable, ethical and compliant

environment.

d. Policy

The draft policy – Attendance at Events is a Legislative Policy' in accordance with the Policy Framework. The Framework states – "Legislative Policy is policy required by the City under law. These Policies do not necessarily require rigour through a public consultation period. However the City will ensure a consistent approach to policy by applying the same minimum public consultation period as Statutory Policy." A consultation period was conducted as detailed above.

If Council adopts this policy an amendment will be required to the Community Grants Program policy with a clause eg — "The acceptance or otherwise of complimentary tickets for City of Rockingham funded events shall be in accordance with the Council's Attendance at Events policy."

e. Financial

Nil

f. Legal and Statutory

Section 5.90A Policy for attendance at events of the Act states -

- (2) A local government must prepare and adopt* a policy that deals with matters relating to the attendance of council members and the CEO at events, including
 - (a) the provision of tickets to events; and
 - (b) payments in respect of attendance; and
 - (c) approval of attendance by the local government and criteria for approval; and
 - (d) any prescribed matter. * Absolute majority required.
- (3) A local government may amend* the policy. * Absolute majority required.
- (4) When preparing the policy or an amendment to the policy, the local government must comply with any prescribed requirements relating to the form or content of a policy under this section.
- (5) The CEO must publish an up-to-date version of the policy on the local government's official website.

There are no current regulatory requirements at present in relation to (4) above.

g. Risk

All Council decisions are subject to risk assessment according to the City's Risk Framework.

Implications and comment will only be provided for the following assessed risks.

Customer Service / Project management / Environment : High and Extreme Risks Finance / Personal Health and Safety : Medium, High and Extreme Risks

Nil

Comments

As there were no submissions received from the public during the public consultation period the policy is recommended to Council for adoption unchanged from the version advertised.

Voting Requirements

Absolute Majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council

APPROVES the following Council Policy – Attendance at Events:

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Attendance at Events

Council Policy Objective

To provide guidance and transparency to the attendance at any event, whether free of charge, part of a sponsorship agreement, or paid by the local government and meet the requirements of section 5.90A of the Local Government Act 1995.

Council Policy Scope

This policy applies to Council Members and the CEO in attending any event in their official capacity.

Council Policy Statement

Section 5.90A of the Local Government Act 1995 provides that a local government must prepare and adopt (by absolute majority) an Attendance at Events policy. This policy is made in accordance with those provisions.

Certain gifts received by a Council member and the CEO are specifically excluded from the conflict of interest provisions, including a gift that is received in accordance with an 'Attendance at Events Policy' (section 5.62(1B)).

Provision of tickets to events

1. Invitations

- 1.1 All invitations or offers of tickets for a Council Member or the CEO to attend an event should be in writing and addressed to the City of Rockingham.
- 1.2 Where an invitation or offer of tickets is received by a Council Member or the CEO to attend an event, and such invitation or offer has not been addressed to the City, the Council Member or the CEO will inform the City of the receipt of the invitation or offer.
- 1.3 A list of events and attendees approved by the local government in advance of the event is listed below:
 - (a) Advocacy lobbying or Ministerial briefings
 - (b) Meetings of clubs or organisations within the City of Rockingham, including where the council member or CEO is patron
 - (c) Any free event within the City of Rockingham
 - (d) Australian or West Australian local government events
 - (e) Events hosted by clubs or not for profit organisations within the City of Rockingham to which the Mayor, Council Member or Chief Executive Officer has been officially invited
 - (f) City hosted ceremonies and functions
 - (g) City hosted events with employees
 - (h) City run tournaments or events
 - (i) City sponsored functions or events
 - (j) Community art exhibitions
 - (k) Cultural events/festivals
 - (I) Events run by a Local, State or Federal Government
 - (m) Events run by schools and universities within the City
 - (n) Events run by major professional bodies associated with local government at a local, state and federal level
 - (o) Opening or launch of an event or facility within the City of Rockingham
 - (p) Recognition of Service events / Award ceremonies
 - (g) Where Mayoral or CEO representation has been formally requested
 - (r) Conferences, training and professional development in accordance with Council Policy Council Member Professional Development or the CEO's employment contract.

1.4 All Council members and the CEO are able to attend the pre-approved events in clause 1.3. If there is a fee associated with a pre-approved event, this will be paid for out of the City's budget subject availability of funds.

2. Events not pre-approved

- 2.1 In making a decision on attendance at an event that is not pre-approved in clause 1.3, the Council will consider:
 - (a) who is providing the invitation or ticket to the event,
 - (b) the location of the event in relation to the local government (within the district or out of the district),
 - (c) the role of the Council member or the CEO when attending the event (participant, observer, presenter) and the value of their contribution,
 - (d) the benefit of local government representation at the event,
 - (e) the number of invitations / tickets received, and
 - (f) the cost to attend the event, including the cost of the ticket (or estimated value of the event per invitation) and any other expenses such as travel and accommodation.
- 2.2 Decisions to attend events in accordance with clause 2.1 will be made by simple majority, or should Council delegate the decision making power to the CEO, in consultation with the Mayor and in accordance with any other conditions of delegation.

3. Payments in respect of attendance

- 3.1 Where an invitation or ticket to an event is provided free of charge, the local government may contribute to appropriate expenses for attendance, such as travel and accommodation, for events outside the district if it is Council determined in accordance with clause 2.2.
- 3.2 For any events where a member of the public is required to pay, unless pre-approved in accordance with this policy, the Council will determine whether it is in the best interests of the local government for a Council member or the CEO to attend on behalf of the Council.
- 3.3 If it is determined in accordance with this policy that a Council member or CEO may attend a paid event, the City will pay the cost of attendance and reasonable expenses, such as travel and accommodation.
- 3.4 With the exception where an accompanying partner of a Council Member or the CEO is -
 - (a) invited to attend an event specified in Council Policy Functions Hosted by Council, or
 - (b) invited to attend an event (as a guest), where the event is not a (priced) event and where there is no cost to the City;

the cost of attendance by the accompanying partner is to be borne by the Council Member or CEO accordingly.

Where an accompanying partner of a Council Member or the CEO attends an event, any (priced) tickets for that person, if paid for by the local government, must be reimbursed by the representative unless expressly authorised by the Council.

4. Requirement to declare an interest

In accordance with legislation, attendance at an event in accordance with this policy will exclude a Council Member or the CEO from the requirement to disclose an interest if the ticket is above \$300 and the donor has a matter before Council.

Receipt of the gift will still be required to be declared under the gift register provisions.

Definitions

CEO – Chief Executive Officer

Event – has the same meaning as that provided in section 5.90A of the Local Government Act 1995

Legislation

Local Government Act 1995 - 5.62(1B)

A gift is an excluded gift -

- (a) If -
 - (i) The gift is a ticket to, or otherwise relates to the relevant person's attendance at, an event as defined in section 5.90A(1); and
 - (ii) The local government approves, in accordance with the local government's policy under section 5.90A, the relevant person's attendance at the event.

Local Government Act 1995 – 5.87A Council members to disclose gifts;

(1) A council member must disclose, in accordance with subsection (2) and section 5.87C, a gift received by the council member.

Local Government Act 1995 – 5.87B CEOs to disclose gifts;

 A CEO must disclose, in accordance with subsection (2) and section 5.87C, a gift received by the CEO.

Local Government Act 1995 – 5.87C Provisions about disclosures;

- (2) The disclosure must be made within 10 days after receipt of the gift.
- (3) The disclosure must include the following
 - (a) a description of the gift;
 - (b) the name and address of the person who made the gift;
 - (c) the date on which the gift was received;
 - (d) the estimated value of the gift at the time it was made;
 - (e) the nature of the relationship between the person who made the gift and the person who received the gift;

Local Government Act 1995 - 5.89 Register of gifts

- (1) A CEO is to keep a register of gifts.
- (2) The register is to contain a record of the disclosures made under sections 5.87A and 5.87B.
- (2A) The CEO must record a disclosure made under section 5.87A or 5.87B in the register within 10 days after the disclosure is made.
- (2B) If a gift disclosed under section 5.87A or 5.87B is an excluded gift under section 5.62(1B)(a), the CEO must record in the register —
 - (a) the date of the approval referred to in section 5.62(1B)(a)(ii); and
 - (b) the reasons for that approval; and
 - (c) any prescribed information.

Local Government Act 1995 – section 5.90A Policy for attendance at events:

(1) In this section —

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 - (d) any prescribed matter.

^{*} Absolute majority required.

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- (3) A local government may amend* the policy.
 - * Absolute majority required.
- (4) When preparing the policy or an amendment to the policy, the local government must comply with any prescribed requirements relating to the form or content of a policy under this section.
- (5) The CEO must publish an up-to-date version of the policy on the local government's official website.

Other Relevant Policies/ Key Documents

Council Policy - Council Member Professional Development

Council Policy - Functions Hosted by Council

Responsible Division

General Management Services

Review Date

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Committee Recommendation

That Council

APPROVES the following Council Policy – Attendance at Events:

Attendance at Events

Council Policy Objective

To provide guidance and transparency to the attendance at any event, whether free of charge, part of a sponsorship agreement, or paid by the local government and meet the requirements of section 5.90A of the Local Government Act 1995.

Council Policy Scope

This policy applies to Council Members and the CEO in attending any event in their official capacity.

Council Policy Statement

Section 5.90A of the Local Government Act 1995 provides that a local government must prepare and adopt (by absolute majority) an Attendance at Events policy. This policy is made in accordance with those provisions.

Certain gifts received by a Council member and the CEO are specifically excluded from the conflict of interest provisions, including a gift that is received in accordance with an 'Attendance at Events Policy' (section 5.62(1B)).

Provision of tickets to events

1. Invitations

- 1.1 All invitations or offers of tickets for a Council Member or the CEO to attend an event should be in writing and addressed to the City of Rockingham.
- 1.2 Where an invitation or offer of tickets is received by a Council Member or the CEO to attend an event, and such invitation or offer has not been addressed to the City, the Council Member or the CEO will inform the City of the receipt of the invitation or offer.
- 1.3 A list of events and attendees approved by the local government in advance of the event is listed below:
 - (a) Advocacy lobbying or Ministerial briefings
 - (b) Meetings of clubs or organisations within the City of Rockingham, including where the council member or CEO is patron
 - (c) Any free event within the City of Rockingham
 - (d) Australian or West Australian local government events
 - (e) Events hosted by clubs or not for profit organisations within the City of Rockingham to which the Mayor, Council Member or Chief Executive Officer has been officially invited
 - (f) City hosted ceremonies and functions
 - (g) City hosted events with employees
 - (h) City run tournaments or events
 - (i) City sponsored functions or events
 - (j) Community art exhibitions
 - (k) Cultural events/festivals
 - (I) Events run by a Local, State or Federal Government
 - (m) Events run by schools and universities within the City
 - Events run by major professional bodies associated with local government at a local, state and federal level
 - (o) Opening or launch of an event or facility within the City of Rockingham
 - (p) Recognition of Service events / Award ceremonies
 - (q) Where Mayoral or CEO representation has been formally requested
 - (r) Conferences, training and professional development in accordance with Council Policy Council Member Professional Development or the CEO's employment contract.
- 1.4 All Council members and the CEO are able to attend the pre-approved events in clause 1.3. If there is a fee associated with a pre-approved event, this will be paid for out of the City's budget subject availability of funds.

2. Events not pre-approved

- 2.1 In making a decision on attendance at an event that is not pre-approved in clause 1.3, the Council will consider:
 - (a) who is providing the invitation or ticket to the event,
 - (b) the location of the event in relation to the local government (within the district or out of the district),
 - (c) the role of the Council member or the CEO when attending the event (participant, observer, presenter) and the value of their contribution,
 - (d) the benefit of local government representation at the event,
 - (e) the number of invitations / tickets received, and
 - (f) the cost to attend the event, including the cost of the ticket (or estimated value of the event per invitation) and any other expenses such as travel and accommodation.

2.2 Decisions to attend events in accordance with clause 2.1 will be made by simple majority, or should Council delegate the decision making power to the CEO, in consultation with the Mayor and in accordance with any other conditions of delegation.

3. Payments in respect of attendance

- 3.1 Where an invitation or ticket to an event is provided free of charge, the local government may contribute to appropriate expenses for attendance, such as travel and accommodation, for events outside the district if it is Council determined in accordance with clause 2.2.
- 3.2 For any events where a member of the public is required to pay, unless pre-approved in accordance with this policy, the Council will determine whether it is in the best interests of the local government for a Council member or the CEO to attend on behalf of the Council.
- 3.3 If it is determined in accordance with this policy that a Council member or CEO may attend a paid event, the City will pay the cost of attendance and reasonable expenses, such as travel and accommodation.
- 3.4 With the exception where an accompanying partner of a Council Member or the CEO is -
 - (a) invited to attend an event specified in Council Policy Functions Hosted by Council, or
 - (b) invited to attend an event (as a guest), where the event is not a (priced) event and where there is no cost to the City;

the cost of attendance by the accompanying partner is to be borne by the Council Member or CEO accordingly.

Where an accompanying partner of a Council Member or the CEO attends an event, any (priced) tickets for that person, if paid for by the local government, must be reimbursed by the representative unless expressly authorised by the Council.

4. Requirement to declare an interest

In accordance with legislation, attendance at an event in accordance with this policy will exclude a Council Member or the CEO from the requirement to disclose an interest if the ticket is above \$300 and the donor has a matter before Council.

Receipt of the gift will still be required to be declared under the gift register provisions.

Definitions

CEO - Chief Executive Officer

Event – has the same meaning as that provided in section 5.90A of the Local Government Act 1995

Legislation

Local Government Act 1995 - 5.62(1B)

A gift is an excluded gift -

- (a) If -
 - (i) The gift is a ticket to, or otherwise relates to the relevant person's attendance at, an event as defined in section 5.90A(1); and
 - (ii) The local government approves, in accordance with the local government's policy under section 5.90A, the relevant person's attendance at the event.

Local Government Act 1995 – 5.87A Council members to disclose gifts;

(1) A council member must disclose, in accordance with subsection (2) and section 5.87C, a gift received by the council member.

Local Government Act 1995 – 5.87B CEOs to disclose gifts;

 A CEO must disclose, in accordance with subsection (2) and section 5.87C, a gift received by the CEO.

Local Government Act 1995 – 5.87C Provisions about disclosures:

(2) The disclosure must be made within 10 days after receipt of the gift.

- (3) The disclosure must include the following
 - (a) a description of the gift;
 - (b) the name and address of the person who made the gift;
 - (c) the date on which the gift was received;
 - (d) the estimated value of the gift at the time it was made;
 - (e) the nature of the relationship between the person who made the gift and the person who received the gift;

Local Government Act 1995 – 5.89 Register of gifts

- (1) A CEO is to keep a register of gifts.
- (2) The register is to contain a record of the disclosures made under sections 5.87A and 5.87B.
- (2A) The CEO must record a disclosure made under section 5.87A or 5.87B in the register within 10 days after the disclosure is made.
- (2B) If a gift disclosed under section 5.87A or 5.87B is an excluded gift under section 5.62(1B)(a), the CEO must record in the register —
 - (a) the date of the approval referred to in section 5.62(1B)(a)(ii); and
 - (b) the reasons for that approval; and
 - (c) any prescribed information.

Local Government Act 1995 – section 5.90A Policy for attendance at events:

(1) In this section —

event includes the following —

- (a) a concert;
- (b) a conference;
- (c) a function;
- (d) a sporting event;
- (e) an occasion of a kind prescribed for the purposes of this definition.
- (2) A local government must prepare and adopt* a policy that deals with matters relating to the attendance of Council members and the CEO at events, including —
 - (a) the provision of tickets to events; and
 - (b) payments in respect of attendance; and
 - (c) approval of attendance by the local government and criteria for approval; and
 - (d) any prescribed matter.
 - * Absolute majority required.
- (3) A local government may amend* the policy.
 - * Absolute majority required.
- (4) When preparing the policy or an amendment to the policy, the local government must comply with any prescribed requirements relating to the form or content of a policy under this section.
- (5) The CEO must publish an up-to-date version of the policy on the local government's official website.

Other Relevant Policies/ Key Documents

Council Policy - Council Member Professional Development

Council Policy - Functions Hosted by Council

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Committee Voting (Carried) - 4/0

The Committee's Reason for Varying the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Implications of the Changes to the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Community Development Community Capacity Building Community Grants Program Committee



Community Grants Program applications CD-018/21 Reference No & Subject: Round Two 2021/2022 File No: GRS/48-05 Proponent/s: Author: Ms Emma Youd, Community Development Officer Other Contributors: Ms Jillian Obiri-Boateng, Collaborative Manager Community Capacity Building Ms Julia Dick, Collaborative Manager Community Capacity **Building** Mr Gary Rogers, Manager Community Infrastructure and **Planning** Ms Mary-Jane Rigby, Manager Community Safety and Support Services Ms Kasey Sheridan, Community Infrastructure Project Officer **Date of Committee Meeting:** 5 October 2021 Previously before Council: Disclosure of Interest: Cr Sammels declared an Impartiality Interest in item CD-018/21 Recommendations from the Community Grants Committee meeting, as detailed in Regulation 22 of the Local Government (Model of Conduct) Regulations 2021 and as per section 5.65 of the Local Government Act 1995, as he is Vice Patron of The Cruising Yacht Club. Cr Buchan declared an Impartiality Interest in item CD-018/21 Recommendations from the Community Grants Committee meeting, as detailed in Regulation 22 of the Local Government (Model of Conduct) Regulations 2021 and as per section 5.65 of the Local Government Act 1995, as her sons will be taking part in the Formula 18 National Championships being hosted by The Cruising Yacht Club. Nature of Council's Role in Executive this Matter: Site: Lot Area: Minutes of the Community Grants Program Committee meeting Attachments: held on Thursday 2 September 2021. Maps/Diagrams:

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Purpose of Report

For Council to approve the recommendations in relation to the Community Grants Program 2021/22 round two application.

Background

The Community Grants Program (CGP) objective is:

"To provide financial assistance to community groups and individuals that will build capacity within the community, stimulate volunteering and youth development, and deliver sustainable, accessible and demonstrated social, environmental and economic benefits."

The CGP has five key areas comprising Minor Grants (Travel Subsidy Grants, Youth Encouragement Grants, General Grants), Major Grants, Major Events Sponsorship, City Property Grants (Leased/Licenced Property Grants, Maintenance and Rates Subsidy), and Community Infrastructure Grants (Infrastructure Planning Grants and Infrastructure Capital Grants).

The City is committed to supporting incorporated not-for-profit organisations/associations, or those limited by guarantee (e.g. community groups and clubs) to assist with the delivery of programs, projects and events that benefit the Rockingham community. Major Grants, Major Event Sponsorship and Community Infrastructure Grants are advertised three times per year and presented to Council for approval.

Applications for Round Two were invited from the community and closed 4.30pm Friday, 23 July 2021.

Details

A total of 10 applications were received in Round Two of the CGP 2021/2022, all grants were eligible within the grant criteria and one application withdrew. The withdrawn application was not assessed.

The eligible grants that were assessed were classified into the following categories:

- Major Event Sponsorship two applications
- Major Grants seven applications
- Community Infrastructure Grants nil applications

Implications to Consider

a. Consultation with the Community

Nil

b. Consultation with Government Agencies

Nil

c. Strategic

This item addresses the Community's Vision for the future and specifically the following Aspiration and Strategic Objectives contained in the Strategic Community Plan 2019-2029:

Aspiration 1: Actively Pursue Tourism and Economic Development

Strategic Objective: Coastal destination: Promote the City as the premier metropolitan

coastal tourism destination

Investment Attraction: Attract local and international investment to

the City to contribute to the local economy.

Attractions and events: Seek to host iconic community events and attractions that will entice residents and visitors throughout the year.

Aspiration 2: Grow and Nurture Community Connectedness and Wellbeing

Strategic Objective: Community Capacity Building: Empower the community across all

ages and abilities to be culturally aware and involved with a diverse range of community initiatives that incorporate volunteering, sport,

culture and the arts.

d. Policy

The CGP operates in line with the CGP Policy and the Governance and Meeting Framework Policy

e. Financial

Should Council approve the Officers recommendation for the Major Grants and the Major Events Sponsorship, there will be \$349,654.35 remaining of an allocated 2021/2022 budget of \$600,000. It should be noted that this balance changes on a daily basis due to the General, Travel and Youth Encouragement grant requests.

f. Legal and Statutory

Not Applicable

g. Risk

All Council decisions are subject to risk assessment according to the City's Risk Framework.

Implications and comment will only be provided for the following assessed risks.

Customer Service / Project management / Environment : High and Extreme Risks Finance / Personal Health and Safety : Medium, High and Extreme Risks

Nil

Comments

Grant applications are assessed by City Officers in line with their portfolio area of expertise. Officers base their assessment and decision for funding on the following Community Grants Program assessment criteria:

- · Good description of short term and/ or long term community benefits
- Alignment with City strategies
- Amount of community involvement in the program/ event:
- (Demonstrates types of community members involved)
- · (Community impact time/ number of people/ what get out of it)
- Amount of volunteer involvement in program/ event
- Recognition for the City
- · Financial capacity of applicant to deliver the event
- · Partnerships with other groups and/ or consultation
- Other funding sources
- · Capacity of program/event to grow and become sustainable in future
- · Major events short term and/ or long term economic benefits
- Major events attraction of oveprnight stays
- Governance and management of applicant organisation
- Project justification
- · Financial commitment (applicants dollar contribution/ reason why not included)
- · Project planning

This report is recommending the approval of eight grants with a total value of \$72,292.05 as part of Round Two 2021/2022 of the Community Grants Program.

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Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Advisory Committee Recommendation

That Council:

1. **APPROVES** the allocation of funds for Major Event Sponsorship and Major Grants under the 2021/2022 Community Grants Program (CGP) Round Two, subject to any listed additional conditions:

	Major Event Sponsorship	Amount Requested (\$)	Advisory Committee Recommendation (\$)
A.	Australian Skateboarding Federation Rockingham Rumble	\$20,000.00 (for three years, 2022, 2023 and 2024)	\$20,000.00 (for one year)
	Additional Grant Conditions:		
	 Your organisation is to follow the health adv in regards to COVID-19. 	vice provided by the W	'A Health Department
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В.	The Cruising Yacht Club of WA Inc	¢40 562 20	¢40 562 20
	F18 Catamaran Australian Championships	\$19,563.29	\$19,563.29
	Additional Grant Conditions:		
	Subject to providing the City of Rockingham with a copy of your organisation's Publi Liability Insurance that will be current at the time of the event.		organisation's Public
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D.	Perth Blokart Club Inc 2022 Australian Blokart Championships	\$5,084.83	\$5,084.83
	Additional Grant Conditions: - Subject to providing the City of Rockingham with a copy of your organisation's Public Liability Insurance that will be current at the time of the event.		
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G.	Triathlon Western Australia Foreshore Triathlon 2022	\$8,393.00	\$6,700.00
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I.	YouthCARE Drumbeat	\$4,371.67	\$4,113.23

2. That Council **NOT APPROVES** the allocation of funds for the Major Grants under the 2021/2022 CGP Round Two:

	Major Grants	Amount Requested (\$)	Advisory Committee Recommendation (\$)
E.	South Metropolitan Youth Link Inc (SMYL) Parent's Shed	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Officer Recommendation if Different to Advisory Committee Recommendation

Nil

The Officer's Reason for Varying the Advisory Committee Recommendation

Committee Recommendation

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Committee Voting (Carried) - 4/0

The Committee's Reason for Varying the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Implications of the Changes to the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Community Development Community Capacity Building



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Reference No & Subject:	CD-019/21 Draft Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2022 – 2026
File No:	CSV/3549-02
Proponent/s:	
Author:	Ms Julia Dick, Collaborative Managers Community Capacity Building
	Ms Jillian Obiri-Boateng, Collaborative Managers Community Capacity Building
Other Contributors:	Mr Michael Holland, Director Community Development
Date of Committee Meeting:	5 October 2021
Previously before Council:	
Disclosure of Interest:	
Nature of Council's Role in this Matter:	Executive
Site:	
Lot Area:	
Attachments:	Draft Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2022 – 2026

Purpose of Report

Maps/Diagrams:

To seek Council's endorsement of the draft Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2022 - 2026 for the purpose of advertising for public comment.

Background

The Western Australian Disability Services Act 1993 (the Act) requires public authorities, including Local Government Authorities, to develop and implement a Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP) that will further the principals and objectives of the Act.

In June 2016, Council endorsed the City's DAIP for the period 2016-2019, along with the Disability Access and Inclusion Strategy (DAIS) 2016-2019. The previous DAIP addressed the City's legislative requirements whilst the DAIS provided the overarching strategy for the City and identified the broader strategic aspirations regarding disability access and inclusion.

The City undertook a process to review the progress achieved through the DAIP and DAIS 2016-2019 and to develop a revised and updated DAIP. The review process determined that a DAIS was not required as a separate strategy, given that its intent can be addressed through the DAIP.

Details

The draft DAIP 2022 – 2026 addresses eight outcome areas, including the seven that are required under the Act. An additional eighth outcome area was added to enable the City to address priorities that were identified through consultation with the community and with staff. The eight outcome areas addressed by the DAIP are as follows:

Outcome 1: People with disability have the same opportunities as other people to access the services of, and any events organised by, the City of Rockingham.

Outcome 2: People with disability have the same opportunities as other people to access the buildings and facilities of the City of Rockingham.

Outcome 3: People with disability receive information from the City of Rockingham in a format that will enable them to access the information as readily as other people are able to access it.

Outcome 4: People with disability receive the same level and quality of service from the staff of the City of Rockingham as other people receive from the staff of the City of Rockingham.

Outcome 5: People with disability have the same opportunities as other people to make complaints to the City of Rockingham.

Outcome 6: People with disability have the same opportunities as other people to participate in any public consultation by the City of Rockingham.

Outcome 7: People with disability have the same opportunities as other people to obtain and maintain employment with the City of Rockingham.

Outcome 8: The City of Rockingham provides opportunities for awareness raising, collaboration and advocacy; and delivers governance improvements to enhance accessibility and inclusion for people with disability.

The draft DAIP was submitted to a Councillor Engagement Session on Tuesday 7 September 2021.

Implications to Consider

a. Consultation with the Community

A series of consultation opportunities were provided to engage key stakeholders and community members to better understand the progress the City has made to date, and to determine what actions might be taken to continue to improve the accessibility and inclusiveness of the City. The consultation occurred in late 2020 and included sessions with:

- Members of the Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee (DAIAC)
- Members of the Seniors Advisory Committee
- Families and staff from Rockingham Beach Education Support Centre
- · Support workers working in Rockingham
- · Representatives from local sporting clubs and community organisations
- Members of the Mandurah, Kwinana and Rockingham Access and Inclusion Network (MKRAIN)
- Two community workshops open to all community members (one in-person and one via Zoom).
- · City staff

b. Consultation with Government Agencies

Consultation with the Department of Communities has informed the development of the draft DAIP 2022 – 2026. A copy will also be provided to them during the public comment period.

c. Strategic

Community Plan

This item addresses the Community's Vision for the future and specifically the following Aspiration and Strategic Objective(s) contained in the Strategic Community Plan 2019-2029:

Aspiration 2: Grow and Nurture Community Connectedness and Wellbeing

Strategic Objective: Accessibility – Ensure that the City's infrastructure and services are

accessible to seniors and to people with a disability.

Community Engagement – Facilitate comprehensive community engagement on issues facing the City, ensuring that residents can

provide input into shaping our future.

Community Capacity Building – Empower the community across all ages and abilities to be culturally aware and involved with a diverse range of community initiatives that incorporate volunteering, sport,

culture and the arts.

Services and Facilities - Provide cost effective services and

facilities which meet community needs.

Aspiration 3: Plan for Future Generations

Strategic Objective: Infrastructure Planning - Plan and develop community, sport and

recreation facilities which meet the current and future needs of the

City's growing population.

Liveable Suburbs – Plan for attractive sustainable suburbs that provide housing diversity, quality public open spaces, walkways,

amenities and facilities for the community.

d. Policy

The Strategic Development Framework Policy (for Community Plan Strategies) which stipulates Councillors, staff, stakeholders and members of the community should be involved or participate in the strategic development process.

e. Financial

The costs associated with the implementation of actions outlined in the draft DAIP 2022-2026 will be incorporated in the relevant team plans over the life of the Plan and where required incorporated into the City's Business Plan.

f. Legal and Statutory

The DAIP is a legislative requirement under the Disability Services Act 1993 and the Disability Services Regulations 2004.

g. Risk

All Council decisions are subject to risk assessment according to the City's Risk Framework.

Implications and comment will only be provided for the following assessed risks.

Customer Service / Project management / Environment : High and Extreme Risks Finance / Personal Health and Safety : Medium, High and Extreme Risks

Nil

Comments

The development of the City's next DAIP is an important strategic opportunity to improve access and inclusion for people with disability.

The next step in the process is for Council consideration of the draft DAIP 2022 – 2026, and endorsement for it to progress for public comment.

The public comment period will include advertising in the local newspaper and on the City's website and social media accounts for a period of 14 days. Comments will be assessed, and amendments to the draft made where suitable. The final DAIP will then be presented to Council for adoption.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

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Officer Recommendation

That Council **ENDORSES** the draft Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2022 – 2026 for the purpose of advertising for public comment.

Committee Recommendation

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Committee Voting (Carried) – 4/0

The Committee's Reason for Varying the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Implications of the Changes to the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Community Development Community Capacity Building



Reference No & Subject: CD-020/21 Support the location of the Golden Bay Community Garden

File No: COM/100-02

Proponent/s:

Author: Ms Penny McCall, Community Development Officer (Health and

Wellbeing)

Other Contributors: Ms Marta Makuch, Coordinator Recreation and Wellbeing

Date of Committee Meeting: 5 October 2021

Previously before Council:

Disclosure of Interest:

Nature of Council's Role in

this Matter:

Executive

Site: Lot 551, Rhonda Scarrott Community Centre/Rhonda Scarrott

Reserve

Lot Area: 500m2 out of 11,773m2

Attachments:

Maps/Diagrams: Proposed location of the Golden Bay Community Garden

Purpose of Report

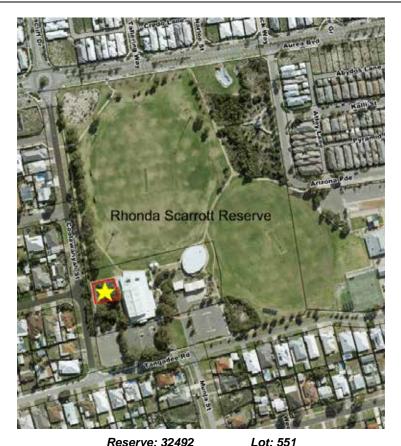
For Council to support the location of a community garden in Golden Bay on Lot 551, Rhonda Scarrott Reserve and encourage the Golden Bay Progress Association (GBPA) to seek funding to establish the garden.

Background

In November 2017, the City received a request from the GBPA to consider establishing a community garden in Golden Bay. During 2018/19, the City undertook internal discussions and site visits to determine suitable locations. In 2019, the GBPA worked on gauging the level of community interest and support for the project. Additionally, they worked to ascertain the community's vision, and subsequent objectives and strategies for the garden.

The GBPA formed a sub-committee to communicate with the community and the City to support the establishment of the garden. The committee undertook community consultation in February 2020 and held a community session with 17 people in attendance. Facilitated by Creating Communities, the vision, key objectives and strategies were discussed and developed. The subcommittee then received endorsement from the GBPA.

After much investigation, a site to the west of the Golden Bay Coastal Community Centre has been determined to be most suitable for a community garden.



Proposed location of the Golden Bay Community Garden

The GBPA sub-committee believe that a community garden located on the proposed site would:

- Be the best site to bring together 'new' and 'old' Golden Bay
- Optimise the amenity of the area, to be co-located with a public recreation reserve: Rhonda Scarrott Reserve
- Be close to facilities at the Coastal Community Centre and the Golden Bay Sports Pavilion
- · Be close to the shopping centre, the unofficial hub of Golden Bay
- Eliminate the dumping of illegal rubbish on this site, improve the amenity of the area and potentially enhance the conservation efforts in the remaining space.

City officers have also determined that the site has the following attributes:

- · Amount of land suitable for a community garden
- Easy access to parking
- · Accessibility the site is flat and has good footpaths on the perimeter
- Access to public toilets (one public universally accessible toilet on the oval side of the Coastal Community Centre, on a time lock)
- Some external lighting
- · Passive surveillance
- Ability for the land to be leased as it is within the excised portion of the reserve available for 'recreation and community use'
- The identified area would not impact on the vegetation worthy of retention. Fencing would be installed that would avoid the large tuart trees and which would allow approximately 500m² available for a community garden and walkways.

Details

Following the site identification, the City's staff held consultations with internal departments to fully understand the operational, financial and logistical implications of establishing the community garden on the specified site. Their feedback is summarised below and has been provided to the GBPA.

Parks Services:

- Water tank to be located in close proximity to irrigation and pump infrastructure
- Clearing of vegetation to be done under the City's advisement; trees and plants that are to be retained will be marked as such.
- Storage shed to be placed within the Community Garden site.

Statutory Planning:

• It was determined that a Development Application is not required as the establishment of the Community Garden fits with the purpose and use of the reserve

Engineering Services:

A parking study for the Golden Bay area is expected to be completed this financial year (2021/2022) and the outcomes will be included in future business plans.

City Properties:

 The lease for the Golden Bay Community Garden will be developed following Council's endorsement for the establishment of the community garden.

There is likely to be funding required to set up the community garden with the required infrastructure. The City's Operations and Fleet Services team have estimated the cost of infrastructure required to be around \$30,000. As the Golden Bay Community Garden is not a City planned project, the funding to support the establishment of the garden will need to be sourced by the group. Information regarding a range of sources that the GBPA could explore has been provided as follows;

1. City of Rockingham Community Grants Program

- General grant: up to \$3,000 open year round
- Major Grant: up to \$10,000, open all year round, assessed over three funding rounds.
- Community Infrastructure Capital Grants: up to \$50,000, open all year round, assessed over three funding rounds. Next round closes 19 November 2021.

2. LotteryWest

- Grants available year round for projects that align with their Community Investment Framework.
- The Golden Bay Community Garden would align with the priority areas: Active healthy people; Inclusive thriving community; and Protected sustainable ecosystems.
- Minimum grant is \$3,000 and maximum is \$15,000 for organisations not registered for GST or that are unincorporated otherwise there is no upper limit on grants.

3. Healthway

- Health promotion grants may be applicable in the future to activate the garden with programs that address the Healthway Strategic Priorities including: increasing healthy eating; improving mental health and increasing physical activity.
- Healthway has two grants available in categories \$5,000 and under and \$5,000 and over.

4. Department of Communities

- Community Gardens Grant Program 2021/2022 with up to \$10,000 available, however the guidelines state that organisations are encouraged to seek assistance for garden infrastructure and minor capital equipment from other funding sources prior to applying to this program.
- Grant applications close on 13 October 2021 which would be unrealistic for this project timeline. However, the GBPA could consider applying for this grant later on.

5. Royal Automobile Club (RAC)

 RAC have a Connecting Communities fund to support individual Town Teams to help deliver their projects.

6. Private

For example PEET commenced this process through 'Creating Communities' and it would make sense to approach them for initial start up funding.

Implications to Consider

a. Consultation with the Community

On 18 June 2021, a consultation survey was sent to residents and owners located within 150m of the proposed site of the community garden to seek their views on the project. There were a total of 112 surveys sent out, the surveys remained anonymous.

The City received 28 survey responses, mostly anonymous with some residents electing to provide their name. Six responses were unrelated to the survey and void.

The survey consisted of three questions:

- 1. Do you support the development of a community garden on the Rhonda Scarrott Reserve?
- 2. Would activities such as garden open days or community workshops at the community garden disrupt you in any way?
- 3. Do you have any further comments?

Overall:

- 86% of responders support the development of a community garden on the Rhonda Scarrott Reserve
- 68% of responders do not believe that activities such as garden open days or community workshops at the community garden would disrupt them in any way, 9% were unsure and 23% believed that there would be some disruption experienced as a result of the community garden.

Comments in full are as follows:

Community Feedback	City Comments
I'm happy to see part of that area to be used for a community garden, a nice idea for the area, but I hope that remaining area stays as planned natural vegetation as it acts as a home for small native life and also a form of buffer for the noise from the community centre.	Comments noted.
We think it is a great idea to help bring more of the community together to be social and learn from one another. Glad you're doing something constructive with that area as it's a perfect spot to access the community facilities there too.	Comments noted.

Community Feedback	City Comments
Community garden is a good idea but I don't think the chosen site is an ideal position, what about the area between the hall and oval?	The discussed location was explored however was not supported as it is a muster point and has a number of above ground and below ground services.
I have answered unsure to question two because it depends on where people park their cars. If they park on Coolawanyah St it turns into a ridiculous 1 ½ lane road which is dangerous. But otherwise a good idea to see that bit of bush being made into something useful.	A minimal impact on parking availability is expected, however the City is planning to conduct a parking study this financial year.
I believe this will be a positive step in the community and I very much support it.	Comments noted.
A fabulous idea for an unused space, can't wait to see the results and maybe pick up a tip or 2 for my own vege patch.	Comments noted.
We support this proposal however we use the reserve to exercise our dogs so would not support the proposal if it affects how dog owners use the reserve. If dog use of the reserve is not affected then we support this proposal.	The proposal for the establishment of the Community Garden will not affect resident's ability to exercise their dogs on the reserve.
Very positive community idea, all for it and certain to get more involved. Well done CoR.	Comments noted.
Not at this point in time.	Comments noted.
The proposed site is unacceptable. The garden should be installed in the grassed area between the two car parks at Rhonda Scarrott reserve. The proposed location will cause even further disruption to local traffic, not just when sports training and games occur. Even though there are two car parks, people using Rhonda Scarrott reserve don't park in the allotted spaces, they park in the street. The users of this garden won't be any different. In addition the proposed area consists of one of the very few native scrub parcels left in Golden Bay. The native plant species support numerous and varied birds and animals. We have observed several bird species nesting in the area including the blue fairy wren. The further destruction of this habitat is completely unnecessary for a garden that can be installed anywhere else that the council has already cleared. The grass area between the two car parks is currently wasted space that requires expensive upkeep by the council. The Karnup fire unit has two sports ovals to use for equipment testing etc and don't used this small grassed area anymore. Please, don't destroy what tiny parcels of native habitat we have left in Golden Bay, especially not for a community garden that will be underused and guaranteed to be vandalised weekly.	The discussed location was explored however was not supported as it is a muster point and has number of above ground and below ground services.

Community Feedback	City Comments
At the moment everyone parks along the street which makes the street difficult and dangerous to navigate. Could some of the bush be removed to widen the road for safer parking? I understand there's a carpark but that doesn't stop them parking on the street. The community garden would only make this worse.	A minimal impact on parking availability is expected, however the City is planning to conduct a parking study this financial year.
Parking could be difficult if the open day clashes with sports events held at the field. Most Saturday mornings when Junior sport is happening. We think it would be an asset to the area.	A minimal impact on parking availability is expected, however the City is planning to conduct a parking study this financial year.
As per previous complaints, Coolowanyah St is used as a parking lot for events held at the oval-more sufficient parking or policing of blockages is highly suggested.	A minimal impact on parking availability is expected, however the City is planning to conduct a parking study this financial year.
There is adequate parking for all amenities at the community centre, but unfortunately drivers are still parking on road verges or along the road because they can't be bothered walking a few yards. Is there a possibility of council watch giving warning notices? Would like users of the garden to use appropriate parking. Thank you for your consideration.	A minimal impact on parking availability is expected, however the City is planning to conduct a parking study this financial year.

b. Consultation with Government Agencies

Not Applicable

c. Strategic

Community Plan

This item addresses the Community's Vision for the future and specifically the following Aspiration and Strategic Objective(s) contained in the Strategic Community Plan 2019-2029:

Aspiration 2: Grow and Nurture Community Connectedness and Wellbeing

Strategic Objective: Community Capacity Building: Empower the community across all

ages and abilities to be culturally aware and involved with a diverse range of community initiatives that incorporate volunteering, sport,

culture and the arts.

d. Policy

Nil

e. Financial

The GBPA will need to source funding for the costs associated with connecting assets and ongoing running of the garden. The City could support the committee through applicable grants.

f. Legal and Statutory

Nil

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g. Risk

All Council decisions are subject to risk assessment according to the City's Risk Framework.

Implications and comment will only be provided for the following assessed risks.

Customer Service / Project management / Environment : High and Extreme Risks Finance / Personal Health and Safety : Medium, High and Extreme Risks

Nil

Comments

Community gardens are a popular way to connect communities. They can be a beneficial addition to communities by increasing the availability of nutritious foods, strengthening community ties, reducing environmental hazards, reducing food miles and creating a more sustainable system. They can greatly impact on health and wellbeing outcomes as they offer individuals a safe space to learn new skills and connect with likeminded individuals as well as opportunities to volunteer and feel a sense of ownership and empowerment within their community. Community gardens are inclusive, accessible and welcoming spaces for the community to participate and engage with. Community gardens are unique as they offer the opportunity for community members from all ages and backgrounds a safe space to learn, connect and share.

The community consultation highlighted that community members shared their support and interest in the garden with 86% of responders supporting the development of a community garden on the Rhonda Scarrott Reserve. Some comments (6 out of 112 surveys) raised the issue of parking on the reserve and along Coolawanyah Street making it difficult and dangerous to drive along when the Reserve is in use. A minimal impact on parking availability is expected, however the City is planning to conduct a parking study this financial year (2021/2022) with the outcomes included in future business plans. If supported, the potential future use of this site as a community garden will be included in the study.

The City joined as a Grow It Local Council Partner in January 2020 and has had great success with the program locally. Grow It Local's mission is to help educate and inspire more people to grow, share and eat locally grown food. The City is now at the top of the WA Council leader board with 431 local residents signed up to the Grow It Local online platform. The program has connected a number of local community gardens and gardening groups with the City and resulted in strong network of local partnerships. The City has held a number of successful workshops at local community gardens. The establishment of the Golden Bay Community Garden will support the City to expand the Grow It Local program and offer a new space to connect with Golden Bay community members.

The Golden Bay Community Garden sub-committee are a very keen and committed group of people who are supported by the long standing GBPA which will support the governance and sustainability of the garden as they are incorporated. The sub-committee have dedicated a great deal of time and energy to the project and already have support from a number of local stakeholders including Hon Paul Papalia CSC MLA, Connecting Communities, the Golden Bay Primary School and Golden Bay Developers Peet. The group have a commitment to creating an inclusive community garden and have already brainstormed activities to activate the garden and provide a range of opportunities for the community to participate in.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

- SUPPORTS the location of the proposed Golden Bay Community Garden at Lot 551, Rhonda Scarrott Reserve.
- 2. **ENCOURAGES** the Golden Bay Progress Association to seek funding for the establishment of the Golden Bay Community Garden.

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Committee Recommendation

That Council:

- SUPPORTS the location of the proposed Golden Bay Community Garden at Lot 551, Rhonda Scarrott Reserve.
- 2. **ENCOURAGES** the Golden Bay Progress Association to seek funding for the establishment of the Golden Bay Community Garden.

Committee Voting (Carried) - 4/0

The Committee's Reason for Varying the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Implications of the Changes to the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

15. Report of Mayor

City of Rockingham Mayor's Report



Reference No & Subject: MR-010/21 Meetings and Functions Attended by the

Mayor and Deputy Mayor

File No: GOV/85

Proponent/s: City of Rockingham

Author: Cr Barry Sammels, Mayor

Other Contributors: Cr Deb Hamblin, Deputy Mayor

Date of Council Meeting: 12 October 2021

Previously before Council:

Disclosure of Interest:

Nature of Council's Role in

this Matter:

Executive

Purpose of Report

To advise on the meetings and functions attended by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor during the period 22 September 2021 to 15 October 2021.

Background

Nil

Details

Date	Meeting/Function
22 September 2021	Year 12 Graduation Warnbro Community High School Education Support
	Centre
	Sister Cities Australia AGM via Zoom – attended by Deputy Mayor Deb Hamblin
23 September 2021	RKCC Key Leaders in Business Breakfast – attended by Deputy Mayor Deb Hamblin
	National Police Remembrance Day Ceremony – attended by Deputy Mayor
	Deb Hamblin
	Advocacy meeting with Federal Member for Brand
24 September 2021	Meeting with Peel Cricket Association – attended by Deputy Mayor Deb Hamblin
	Memorial for former Councillor Kevin Powell – attended by Deputy Mayor
	Deb Hamblin
26 September 2021	The Cruising Yacht Club Sailing Season Opening Day
28 September 2021	Neighbours Unit Secret Harbour – attended by Deputy Mayor Deb Hamblin
	Meeting with Safety Bay Yacht Club – attended by Deputy Mayor Deb
	Hamblin
	Councillor Engagement Session

Date	Meeting/Function
29 September 2021	IPL Radio Mayoral Debate – attended by Deputy Mayor Deb Hamblin
	City of Rockingham/Bendigo Bank Business After Hours
30 September 2021	Joint Development Assessment Panel meeting –attended by Deputy Mayor
	Deb Hamblin
1 October 2021	Interview with Curtin FM
	Seniors and Carers Expo
4 October 2021	Planning and Engineering Services Committee meeting
6 October 2021	PhotoVoice Awards
7 October 2021	Meeting with Member for Warnbro
8 October 2021	Pioneers' Luncheon
	Lions State Conference Reception
9 October 2021	Opening of Lions State Conference
11 October 2021	Supplementary SWG Board meeting via Zoom
	Australian Citizenship Ceremony
12 October 2021	Council meeting
14 October 2021	Advocacy meeting with Senior Tourism Adviser, Office of the Hon Dan
	Tehan MP
	City Safe Advisory Committee
15 October 2021	Meeting with SCALES

Implications to Consider

a. Consultation with the Community

Nil

b. Consultation with Government Agencies

Nil

c. Strategic

Nil

d. Policy

Nil

e. Financial

Nil

f. Legal and Statutory

Nil

g. Risk

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Nil

Comments

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council *RECEIVES* the Mayor's Report for the period 22 September 2021 to 15 October 2021.