

## MEDIA RELEASE – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## **Boundary Decision Announced**

The Town of Vincent has been advised of the Minister for Local Government, John Bowler's decision regarding the proposed boundary changes.

"We are absolutely delighted that the Minister has approved of the Town's proposal to transfer east Glendalough into the Town. We are also looking forward to assuming governance of parts of Perth north of the Graham Farmer Freeway. We are happy that the Local Government Advisory Board and Minister could see the value to all concerned in transferring these portions of suburbs into the Town for a holistic approach to maintaining and developing the areas," said Mayor Nick Catania.

The transfer of control of the part of Glendalough south of the Mitchell Freeway and parts of East Perth and West Perth around the Freeway will be effective as of 1 July 2007.

"The Town and its community are also relieved and appreciative that the Advisory Board and Minister dismissed the Perth City Council's counter boundary proposal and that our residents and ratepayers in Perth and West Perth will continue to enjoy the services, amenity and community atmosphere for which Vincent is renowned," said Mayor Catania.

It is with regret that the Town has been advised that despite strong support from residents, ratepayers and the business community, the proposal to transfer the portion of Mt Lawley not in Vincent, Menora and Coolbinia into the Town has been rejected.

Mayor Catania stated: "We are very disappointed that our proposal for the Lawley area was not accepted. On behalf of the Town I would like to extend my

Administration and Civic Centre 244 Vincent Street LEEDERVILLE WA 6007 PO Box 82 LEEDERVILLE WA 6902 Telephone: (08) 9273 6000 Facsimile: (08) 9273 6099 TTY: (08) 9273 6078 thanks to the thousands of people in the area that supported the Town's bid. Whilst we were unsuccessful at this time it was very heartening and gratifying to see the support in the community for our Town and recognition of all that we do for all members of our diverse community and how attractive we were to so many."

"The Perth and Glendalough boundary changes were a logical and sensible move for the Minister to make and the Town will be working with the Cities of Stirling and Perth to ensure that a smooth change-over takes place with as little impact on residents, ratepayers and business proprietors in the areas. We are looking forward to welcoming East Perth, West Perth and east Glendalough to our close-knit and inclusive community." concluded Mayor Catania.

## **Ends**

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