Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council of the Town of Vincent held at the Administration and Civic Centre, 244 Vincent Street, Leederville, on Tuesday 3 April 2007, commencing at 6.00pm.

## 1. DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Presiding Member, Mayor Nick Catania, JP, declared the meeting open at 6.10pm.

#### 2. APOLOGIES/MEMBERS ON APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

## (a) Apologies:

Cr Izzi Messina - may be late due to work commitments Cr Maddalena Torre - may be late due to work commitments

#### (b) Present:

Mayor Nick Catania, JP

Cr Simon Chester

Cr Helen Doran-Wu

Cr Steed Farrell (Deputy Mayor)

Cr Ian Ker

Cr Sally Lake

Cr Dudley Maier

Presiding Member

North Ward

North Ward

South Ward

North Ward

Cr Izzi Messina South Ward (from 6.35pm)
Cr Maddalena Torre South Ward (from 6.47pm)

John Giorgi, JP Chief Executive Officer

Rob Boardman Executive Manager, Environmental and

**Development Services** 

Mike Rootsey Executive Manager, Corporate Services
Rick Lotznicker Executive Manager, Technical Services

(until 6.48pm)

Approximately 9 Members of the Public

## (c) Members on Leave of Absence:

Nil.

## 3. (a) PUBLIC QUESTION TIME & RECEIVING OF PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS

- 1. Ms Marie Bonnal of 165 Palmerston Street, Perth 8.1.21 Stated that she is concerned, as a retiree, of the potentially high costs of maintaining a heritage listed building. Believes that the value of the property has decreased because of the listing. Requested that the Council leave it to the owner's choice whether to list their property or not.
- 2. Mr Dimitrius Graicos of 316 Hector Street, Tuart Hill 8.1.25 Stated that the property comprises an integral and strategic part of his financial plan and listing the property on the MHI would be extremely detrimental to this and his future security. Believes the cost to maintain a heritage property in good order will be extremely high and stop any development potential. Requested that the Council revoke the proposed listing.

- 3. Mr Nick Mondia of 219 Lake Street, Perth 8.1.5 and 8.1.23 Stated that he is totally against the properties being listed on the MHI as when they develop these properties they do not want to incur extra costs and restrictions associated with heritage properties. Believes that the property value will decrease significantly if it is listed.
- 4. John McMahon of 137 Joel Terrace, Mt Lawley 8.1.15 Advised that prior to purchasing the property, he made enquiries with the Town and was verbally advised that the property was not on any heritage listing. Objects to the property being listed as it devalues the property
- 5. Ms Helena Plocharski from 107 Glendower Street, Perth 8.1.11 Believes that as a ratepayer they should have the right to be able to chose whether they want their property listed.
- 6. Ms Amy Nancarrow of 191 Lake Street, Perth 8.1.17 States that she objects to her property being listed on the MHI as a lot of the components that make the property appear as a free classical style of architecture are in fact polystyrene foam such as the decorative mouldings. Believes that as being a Town Planner she finds it inappropriate to cultural heritage list when there is no proper evidence and impose heritage related controls when it quite questionable whether that place has any real cultural heritage value.

There being no further questions from the public, the Presiding Member, Mayor Nick Catania, JP, closed Public Question Time at 6.28pm.

## 4. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

## 5. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING MEMBER (WITHOUT DISCUSSION)

## 5.1 <u>Harmony Day</u>

Mayor Catania advised that he had received a letter of appreciation from the Harmony Concert organisers expressing appreciation for a most successful event recently held by the Town at Hyde Park.

#### 6. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

6.1 Mayor Catania declared an interest affecting impartiality in Item 8.1 (Items 8.1 – 8.1.48) – Municipal Heritage Inventory Review. The nature of his interest being that in his capacity as Mayor of the Town he knows a number of people whose properties are the subject of these reports.

Mayor Catania advised that he has approval from the Minister for Local Government to participate in discussion, vote on heritage matters and preside at meetings.

- 6.2 Cr Maier declared an interest affecting impartiality in Item 8.1 (Items 8.1 8.1.48) Municipal Heritage Inventory Review. The nature of his interest being that in his capacity as a Councillor of the Town he knows a number of people whose properties are the subject of these reports.
- 6.3 Cr Lake declared an interest affecting impartiality in Item 8.1 (Items 8.1 8.1.48) Municipal Heritage Inventory Review. The nature of her interest being that in her capacity as a Councillor of the Town she knows a number of people whose properties are the subject of these reports and is also an owner of a property which listed on the MHI.
- 6.4 Cr Ker declared an interest affecting impartiality in Item 8.1 (Items 8.1 8.1.48) Municipal Heritage Inventory Review. The nature of his interest being that in his capacity as a Councillor of the Town he knows a number of people whose properties are the subject of these reports and is also an owner of a property which listed on the MHI.
  - Cr Ker advised that he has approval from the Minister for Local Government to participate in discussion, vote on heritage matters.
- 6.5 Cr Farrell declared an interest affecting impartiality in Item 8.1 (Items 8.1 8.1.48) Municipal Heritage Inventory Review. The nature of his interest being that in his capacity as a Councillor of the Town it is possible that he may know a number of people whose properties are the subject of these reports and is also an owner of a property which listed on the MHI.
  - Cr Farrell advised that he has approval from the Minister for Local Government to participate in discussion, vote on heritage matters.
- 6.6 Cr Doran-Wu declared an interest affecting impartiality in Item 8.1 (Items 8.1 8.1.48) Municipal Heritage Inventory Review. The nature of her interest being that in her capacity as a Councillor of the Town she knows a number of people whose properties are the subject of these reports and is also an owner of a property which listed on the MHI.
  - Cr Doran-Wu advised that she has approval from the Minister for Local Government to participate in discussion, vote on heritage matters.
- 6.7 Cr Chester declared an interest affecting impartiality in Item 8.1 (Items 8.1 8.1.48) Municipal Heritage Inventory Review. The nature of his interest being that in his capacity as a Councillor of the Town he knows a number of people whose properties are the subject of these reports and is also an owner of a property which listed on the MHI.
  - Cr Chester advised that he has approval from the Minister for Local Government to participate in discussion, vote on heritage matters.
- 6.8 The Chief Executive Officer, John Giorgi, declared an interest affecting impartiality in Item 8.1 (Items 8.1 8.1.48) Municipal Heritage Inventory Review. The nature of his interest being that in his capacity as CEO of the Town he knows a number of people whose properties are the subject of these reports. In particular, a property at 191 Lake Street, Perth owned by a former Employee of the Town and is recommended to be included in the proposed MHI, under Category B.

6.9 Executive Manager Environmental and Development Services - Rob Boardman declared an interest affecting impartiality in Item 8.1 (Items 8.1 – 8.1.48) – Municipal Heritage Inventory Review. The nature of his interest being that in his capacity as an Officer of the Town he knows a number of people whose properties are the subject of these reports and is also an owner of a property which listed on the MHI.

#### 7. REPORTS

Nil.

## At 6.35pm Moved Cr Farrell, Seconded Cr Ker

That the meeting proceed behind "closed doors" to consider the confidential report.

**CARRIED (5-2)** 

For Against
Mayor Catania Cr Lake
Cr Chester Cr Maier
Cr Doran-Wu
Cr Farrell

(Crs Messina and Torre were absent as they had not yet arrived for the meeting.)

The Chief Executive Officer informed the Council that a letter dated 2 April 2007 had been received from the Water Corporation and a letter dated 1 April 2007 (but received on 3 April 2007) from Mr D Graicos relating to properties at 102A and 102B Vincent Street, and were circulated to Elected Members prior to the meeting.

Cr Messina entered the meeting at 6.35pm.

Cr Ker

The Chief Executive Officer advised that Cr Messina had declared an interest affecting impartiality in Item 8.1 (Items 8.1-8.1.48) – Municipal Heritage Inventory Review. The nature of his interest being that he knows a number of people whose properties are the subject of this report.

## 8. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS (Behind Closed Doors)

# 8.1 CONFIDENTIAL REPORT - Municipal Heritage Inventory Review - Further Consideration of Properties

Ward:	Both Wards	Date:	30 March 2007
Precinct:	All Precincts	File Ref:	PLA0098
Attachments:	<u>001</u>		
Reporting Officer(s):	H Eames, T Woodhouse, S Kendall, D Abel, R Boardman		
Checked/Endorsed by:	John Giorgi	Amended by:	-

#### OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That the Council;

- (i) RECEIVES this report and its attachments relating to the Municipal Heritage Inventory Review (MHI);
- (ii) INCLUDES the following places on the Municipal Heritage Inventory in accordance with the Officer Recommendations contained in the attached Heritage Assessments:

## \*\* PROPERTY INFORMATION CONFIDENTIAL \*\*

\*\*8.1.1 - 8.1.25

(iii) <u>OR ALTERNATIVELY</u>, in the event that the Council does not approve Clause (ii) above (as recommended by the Officers), it NOT list any property/place where the owner has lodged a submission of objection, other than those recommended for inclusion into Category A, as follows;

#### \*\* PROPERTY INFORMATION CONFIDENTIAL \*\*

(iv) DOES NOT INCLUDE the following places on the Municipal Heritage Inventory in accordance with the Officer Recommendations contained in the attached Heritage Assessments:

## \*\* PROPERTY INFORMATION CONFIDENTIAL \*\*

\*\*8.1.26 - 8.1.48

(v) NOTES that, subject to making a determination to either list or not list each property/place detailed in the recommendation, this finalises the review of the Town's Municipal Heritage Inventory in accordance with the Heritage of Western Australia Act 1990, and ADVISES the Heritage Council of Western Australia accordingly;

- (vi) NOTES that a report will be submitted to the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on 10 April 2007 concerning the Town's other heritage projects, which have been delayed as a result of the resources which have been required to finalise the Town's MHI; and
- (vii) EXPRESSES its appreciation to the Town's Officers involved in the review of the MHI and, in particular, Senior Heritage Officer, Hannah Eames, Heritage Officer, Tory Woodhouse, Heritage/Planning Officer, Susannah Kendall, Manager Planning Building & Heritage Services, Des Abel and Executive Manager Environmental & Development Services, Rob Boardman, for their work in the review of the Town's MHI which was conducted in a most professional and comprehensive manner.

## **COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 8.1**

## Moved Cr Farrell, Seconded Cr Doran-Wu

That the Council;

- (i) RECEIVES this report and its attachments relating to the Municipal Heritage Inventory Review (MHI);
- (ii) INCLUDES the following places on the Municipal Heritage Inventory in accordance with the Officer Recommendations contained in the attached Heritage Assessments:
  - (a) Nos. 1 19 (Lots 2, 25, 23, 22, 21, 20, 19, 18 & 17) Baker Avenue, Perth (Management Category B);
  - (b) No. 102A and 102B Vincent Street, Mount Lawley (Management Category B); and
  - (c) No. 137 (Lots 317 & 318) Joel Terrace, East Perth (Management Category B); and
- (iii) (1) INCLUDES the following places on the Municipal Heritage Inventory:

## Category A:

- (a) Nos. 380 388 (Lots 1-5) Newcastle Street, West Perth; and
- (b) No. 21 (Lot 22) Vincent Street, Mount Lawley;
- (2) INCLUDES the following places (where the owner has not lodged a submission of objection) on the Municipal Heritage Inventory:

#### Category B:

- (a) No. 5 (Lot 54) Byron Street, Leederville;
- (b) No. 130 (Lots 39 & 40) Chelmsford Road, North Perth;
- (c) No. 167 169 (Lot 105) Fitzgerald Street, West Perth;
- (d) No. 459 (Lot 8) Fitzgerald Street, North Perth;
- (e) No. 69 (Lots 10 & 21) Harold Street, Mount Lawley;
- (f) No. 18 (Lot 5) Harwood Place, West Perth;
- (g) No. 189 (Lot 1) Lake Street, Perth;
- (h) No. 1 (Lot 1) Monmouth Street, Mount Lawley;
- (i) No. 163 (Lot 2) Palmerston Street, Perth; and

- (j) No. 156 (Lot 287) Raglan Road, North Perth;
- and
- (3) DEFERS consideration of 629 (Lot 100) Newcastle Street, Leederville, until early 2008, when the Water Corporation Masterplan has been completed;"; and"
- (iv) DOES NOT INCLUDE the following places on the Municipal Heritage Inventory in accordance with the Officer Recommendations contained in the attached Heritage Assessments:
  - 8.1.26 No. 11 (Lot 54) Alfonso Street, North Perth
  - 8.1.27 No. 98 (Lot 6) Angove Street, North Perth
  - 8.1.28 Nos. 294 (Lot 1) and 296 (Lot 2) Bulwer Street, Perth
  - 8.2.29 Nos. 76 (Lot 116) and 78 (Lot 117) Buxton Street, Mount Hawthorn
  - 8.1.30 No. 220 (Lot 35) Charles Street, North Perth
  - 8.1.31 No. 57 (Lots 14, 15 & 16) Fairfield Street, Mount Hawthorn
  - 8.1.32 No. 73 (Lots 25, 26 & Y27) Fairfield Street, Mount Hawthorn
  - 8.1.33 Nos. 53 61 (Lot 48) Grosvenor Road, Mount Lawley
  - 8.1.34 Nos. 25 27 (Lot 65) Hutt Street, Mount Lawley
  - 8.1.35 Nos. 35 (Lot 2) & 37 (Lot 1) Hutt Street, Mount Lawley
  - 8.1.36 No. 25 (Lot 2) Leake Street, Mount Lawley
  - 8.1.37 No. 183 (Lot 66) Loftus Street, Leederville
  - 8.1.38 Nos. 482 484 (Lot 114) Newcastle Street, West Perth
  - 8.1.39 No. 486 (Lot 1) Newcastle Street, West Perth
  - 8.1.40 No. 490 (Lots 2 & 3) Newcastle Street, West Perth
  - 8.1.41 No. 336 (Lots 6 & 8) Oxford Street, Leederville
  - 8.1.42 No. 99 (Lot 2) Palmerston Street, Perth
  - 8.1.43 No. 109 (Lot 9) Palmerston Street, Perth
  - 8.1.44 No. 146 (Lot 292) Raglan Road, North Perth
  - 8.1.45 No. 150 (Lot 290) Raglan Road, North Perth
  - 8.1.46 No. 154 (Lots 288 & 289) Raglan Road, North Perth
  - 8.1.47 No. 62 (Lot 1) Robinson Avenue, Perth
  - 8.1.48 Nos. 10 12 (Lot 1) View Street, North Perth;
- (v) NOTES that, subject to making a determination to either list or not list each property/place detailed in the recommendation, this finalises the review of the Town's Municipal Heritage Inventory in accordance with the Heritage of Western Australia Act 1990, and ADVISES the Heritage Council of Western Australia accordingly;
- (vi) NOTES that a report will be submitted to the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on 10 April 2007 concerning the Town's other heritage projects, which have been delayed as a result of the resources which have been required to finalise the Town's MHI; and
- (vii) EXPRESSES its appreciation to the Town's Officers involved in the review of the MHI and, in particular, Senior Heritage Officer, Hannah Eames, Heritage Officer, Tory Woodhouse, Heritage/Planning Officer, Susannah Kendall, Manager Planning Building & Heritage Services, Des Abel and Executive Manager Environmental & Development Services, Rob Boardman, for their work in the review of the Town's MHI which was conducted in a most professional and comprehensive manner.

**CARRIED (8-1)** 

For Against Mayor Catania Cr Maier

Cr Chester

Cr Doran-Wu

Cr Farrell

Cr Lake

Cr Ker

Cr Messina

Cr Torre

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

## **Chief Executive Officer's Comment**

Clause (iii) has been corrected to include those properties where, following discussion with the Town's Heritage Officers has resulted in no objection from the owner and the Town's Officers have recommended these properties for inclusion into the Town's MHI - Category B.

The correction is shown as underlining.

Despite repeated requests, no further responses have been received from the owner of 18 Harwood Place, West Perth and 156 Raglan Road, North Perth. Both these owners raised a number of questions in mid-late 2006 and information has been provided to them. As no response has been received, the Officers have assumed that they have no further objection and accordingly, have recommended the inclusion of their property into the Town's MHI.

On 2 April 2007, the Water Corporation wrote to the Town requesting that the Council defer consideration of their property until their Masterplan has been completed. This is due by December 2007. A copy of the Water Corporation letter is "Laid on the Table".

The Category B properties were inadvertently omitted from Clause (iii) of the original Officer Recommendation.

## At 7.53pm Moved Cr Torre, Seconded Cr Farrell

That an "open" meeting be resumed.

**CARRIED (9-0)** 

The Chief Executive Officer has determined that Confidential Information relating to properties which the Council has included on the Municipal Heritage Inventory (other than the owner's submission) has been made public. All other information is to remain confidential.

## **PURPOSE OF REPORT:**

The purpose of this report is to enable the Council to consider and determine the recommendations for including or excluding particular properties on the Municipal Heritage Inventory, which were previously deferred by the Council in order to allow the Town's Officers to undertake further discussions and clarification of owner's opinions, and/or to undertake full Heritage Assessments.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Council at its Ordinary Meeting held on 7 November 2006 considered a methodology for considering approximately 109 submissions received for Category B places identified as part of the draft MHI. The methodology was not supported. The Council resolved to further consider the matter at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 21 November 2006 and requested the Chief Executive Officer to carry out a preliminary assessment of the Category B properties/places and to group these according.

The Council at its Ordinary Meeting held on 21 November 2006 considered an alternative procedure of determination of properties/places listed in Category B of the draft MHI, and approved the following groups:

- <u>GROUP 1</u> Properties where the owner has either lodged or not lodged an objection and the property is considered not to meet the threshold for inclusion on the Municipal Heritage Inventory (MHI);
- <u>GROUP 2</u> Properties forming part of a group, where the owner has not objected but forms part of a group within which another owner has objected. These places without objections are considered to meet the threshold for inclusion on the Town's MHI; and
- <u>GROUP 3</u> Properties where the owner has made a submission requesting further information or clarification and should therefore be deferred.

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 21 November 2006, the Council did not make a formal decision on "Group 4" properties/places due to a procedural oversight.

• <u>GROUP 4</u> - Properties where the owner has clearly objected and more information is required to be obtained via a Full Assessment, before an informed decision can be made.

The Council at its Ordinary Meeting held on 5 December 2006, resolved as follows:

"That the Council APPROVES of the following procedure of determination of properties/places listed in Category B;

- (i) <u>GROUP 4</u> Properties where the owner has clearly objected and more information is required to be obtained via a Full Assessment, before an informed decision can be made;
  - (a) DEFERS listing the following properties, as more information is required to be obtained and a Full Assessment is necessary, before an informed decision can be made:
    - 1. Nos. 30 44 (Lots 1 & 2) Angove Street, North Perth
    - 2. Nos. 56 58 (Lot 33) Angove Street, North Perth
    - 3. Nos. 124 126 (Lot Y1) Brisbane Street, Perth
    - 4. Nos. 215 299 (Lot 1) Bulwer Street, Perth
    - 5. Nos. 294(Lot 1) and 296 (Lot 2) Bulwer Street, Perth
    - 6. No. 76 (Lot 116) Buxton Street, Mount Hawthorn (Part of Group)
    - 7. No. 78 (Lot 117) Buxton Street, Mount Hawthorn (Part of Group)
    - 8. No. 4 (Lot 2) Coogee Street, Mount Hawthorn
    - 9. No. 220 (Lot 35) Charles Street, North Perth
    - 10. No. 5 (Lot Y6) Cowle Street, West Perth (Part of Group)
    - 11. Nos. 17 19 (Lots 20 & 21) Cowle Street, West Perth

- 12. No. 13 (Lot 43) Daphne Street, North Perth
- 13. No. 57 (Lots 14, 15 & 16) Fairfield Street, Mount Hawthorn
- 14. No. 73 (Lots 25, 26 & Y27) Fairfield Street, Mount Hawthorn
- 15. No. 53 (Lot 26) Florence Street, West Perth
- 16. No. 459 (Lot 8) Fitzgerald Street, North Perth
- 17. No. 3 (Lot 10) Gallop Street, West Perth
- 18. No.107 (Lot 18) Glendower Street, Perth (Part of Group)
- 19. Nos. 53 61 (Lot 48) Grosvenor Road, Mount Lawley (Part of Group)
- 20. No. 28 (Lot 22) Hutt Street, Mount Lawley (Part of Group)
- 21. No. 137 (Lots 317 & 318) Joel Terrace, Mount Lawley
- 22. No. 42 (Lot 24) Lynton Street, Mount Hawthorn
- 23. No. 25A (Lot 2) Leake Street, North Perth
- 24. No. 183 (Lot 66) Loftus Street, Leederville
- 25. No. 1 (Lot 1) Monmouth Street, Mount Lawley (Part of Group)
- 26. No. 482 (Lot 114) Newcastle Street, West Perth (Part of Group)
- 27. No. 486 (Lot 1) Newcastle Street, West Perth (Part of Group)
- 28. No. 490 (Lots 2 & 3) Newcastle Street, West Perth (Part of Group)
- 29. No. 336 (Lot 6 & 8) Oxford Street, Leederville
- 30. No. 99 (Lot 2) Palmerston Street, Perth
- 31. No. 109 (Lot 9) Palmerston Street, Perth
- 32. Nos. 165 (Lot 1) and 163 (Lot 2) Palmerston Street, Perth (Part of Group)
- 33. No. 62 (Lot 1) Robinson Avenue, Perth
- 34. Nos. 47 49 (Lot 2) Robinson Avenue, Perth (Part of Group)
- 35. No.240 (Lot 136) Stirling Street, Perth (Part of Group)
- 36. No. 234 (Lot 302) Stirling Street, Perth
- 37. Nos. 10 12 (Lot 1) View Street, North Perth
- 38. No. 100 (Lots 134 & 133) Vincent Street, Mount Lawley (Part of Group)
- 39. Nos. 102A (Lot 132) &102B (Lot 131) Vincent Street, Mount Lawley (Part of Group)
- 40. No. 131 (Lot 51) Lake Street, Perth
- 41. No. 105 (Lot 1) Brisbane Street, Perth
- 42. No. 357 (Lot 3) Lord Street, Highgate
- 43. No. 154 (Lots 288 & 289) Raglan Road, North Perth; and
- (b) the Full Assessments undertaken for commercial properties in Group 4 above IDENTIFIES the key portions of the properties that contribute most significantly to the heritage significance of the place."

Due to the resources and time available, it was intended that the properties listed in 'Group 4' would be presented to the Council in a staged process, with a total of 12 places being referred to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 23 January 2007. At the Ordinary Meeting held on 23 January 2007, the Council resolved, in a subsequent motion, the following:

"That a Special Meeting of the Council be held in late March early April 2007 to consider the outstanding places listed for inclusion on the Town's Municipal Heritage Inventory still requiring action."

All properties identified in the draft Municipal Heritage Inventory (MHI) which have been deferred by the Council are presented in this report. The vast majority are Category B places, with two Category A places also to be determined.

#### **DETAILS:**

The Town has defined the following categories:

Category A - "Conservation Essential"
Category B - "Conservation Recommended"

The properties shown in the attachments may fall within one of the following scenarios:

 Management Category A - Places deferred for assessment and opposed by the owner which has resulted in a full assessment by the Town's Heritage Officers - with a recommendation to remain as Category A or inclusion as a Category B or not be included.

 Management Category B - Places deferred for assessment and opposed by the owner.

 Management Category B - Places deferred for clarification and discussion with the owner which has resulted in an objection from the owner and a full assessment by the Town's Heritage Officers.

 Management Category B - Places deferred for clarification and discussion with the owner which has resulted in NO objection from the owner. (<u>Note</u>: These are all recommended for inclusion in the Town's MHI.)

• Management Category A - Places deferred for clarification and discussion with the owner which has resulted in NO objection from the owner. (Note: This is recommended for inclusion in the Town's MHI.)

In most cases, a full Heritage Assessment has been completed by the Town's Heritage Officers. However, where the owner did not lodge a submission of objection, a <u>full</u> Heritage Assessment for these properties was not undertaken in most cases (due to insufficient resources and a short timeframe) and the Officers have relied on the <u>preliminary</u> Heritage Assessment.

A total of 44 full Heritage Assessments have been undertaken, and 4 preliminary Heritage Assessments resulting in the following:

- 2 properties recommended for inclusion as Management Category A (Conservation Essential);
- 23 properties recommended for inclusion as Management Category B (Conservation Recommended); and
- 23 properties recommended not to be included.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Information remains confidential

## **Impact on other Heritage Projects**

The extended period of time and resources being devoted to the finalisation of the MHI has resulted in other heritage projects, included on the 2006/2007 Budget, being delayed. The Town's Officers have carried out extensive research and exhaustive consultation with the affected owners. As a result, very little heritage work, other than the MHI, has been carried out. A report will be submitted to the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on 10 April 2007 concerning this matter.

It should be noted that, subject to the Council making a determination on all the properties/places detailed in this report, the review of the Town's MHI will be finalised. This will allow the Town's Heritage Officers to focus on other projects.

## Number of Properties/Places on Town's MHI 2007

The 1995 MHI contained 155 places, comprising 270 properties.

Including those places previously adopted by the Council on 12 September 2006 and 23 January 2007, a total of 266 places comprising 431 properties have been recommended for inclusion (including those recommended in clause (ii) of the Officer Recommendation). This represents a 72 per cent increase in places and a 60 per cent rise in the number of properties when compared with 1995.

#### **CONSULTATION/ADVERTISING:**

The draft MHI has been widely and extensively advertised.

Owners have been consulted in writing at various stages throughout the project. 'GROUP 4' places have been investigated in detail by the Town's Heritage Officers and internal site inspections and full heritage assessments have been undertaken with the co-operation of the owners where possible.

Formal advertising has appeared in local newspapers, workshops for owners have been undertaken, numerous one-on-one meetings have occurred between owners and Officers from the Town, information packs provided and progress reports have been provided to the Council throughout the project. The Chief Executive Officer conducted media briefings at the start of the consultation period and conducted an interview with Channel 10 television.

## LEGAL/POLICY:

Under the Heritage of Western Australia Act 1990, there is a legal requirement for the Town to review and update its Municipal Heritage Inventory. A revised list was adopted by the Council at its Ordinary Meeting held on 12 September 2006. This list comprises places which had received support or no objection from the owners. This list has been forwarded to the Heritage Council of WA as required by section 45 of the Act. The outcomes of the recommendations contained in this report may result in further advice to the Heritage Council of Western Australia to update the Municipal Heritage Inventory.

## STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

Strategic Plan 2006-2011: Strategic Objectives - 1. Natural and Built Environment "... 1.1.3 (b) Implement and promote the Municipal Heritage Inventory and Heritage Management Policies".

#### FINANCIAL/BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

The current 2006/2007 Budget lists \$54,800 for the Municipal Heritage Inventory Review.

#### **COMMENTS:**

The process has been exhaustive and lengthy for both owners and the Town's Officers. However, the completion of a full Heritage Assessment in most cases confirmed this to be the most appropriate and professional method to make a recommendation as to whether a property:

- (a) meets the required threshold for inclusion on the MHI; and
- (b) if it meets the threshold, making a recommendation to Council.

On the whole, most owners who responded to the Officer's request for meetings, contributed constructively to the draft Heritage Assessments, despite their objection and/or distress. However, those that opposed the Officer Recommendations to include a property were tending to object primarily on the principle that such listing should be voluntary with the support of the current owner and few objected to the statements of significance about a particular place.

The remaining properties represent a variety of buildings, some of which are critical to an already listed group or row of buildings. Other properties are isolated physically.

It is recommended that the Council has regard to the attached Heritage Assessments and written submissions from the owners, and resolves to 'include' and 'not include' the places as shown above in the Officer Recommendation.

#### **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S COMMENTS:**

The review of the Town's MHI has been a time consuming and exhaustive process. The Council and all Officers involved should be congratulated on the professional manner in which the process has been carried out. It should be noted that the review has taken over four years and has been extremely comprehensive. Whilst it is acknowledged that the time taken has been longer than anticipated, feedback has been received that the comprehensive and professional approach taken by the Town has been most beneficial and worthwhile. This has resulted in a significant decrease in the number of dissatisfied landowners expressing their concern with the Town and/or media. The Heritage Council of Western Australia has verbally advised the Chief Executive Officer that the Town's review has been positively received and will most likely be recommended as a "Best Practice" model for use by other local governments.

It should also be noted that the review has resulted in a significant increase in the number of properties now included in the Town's MHI. (A 72% increase in the number of places and a 60% increase in the number of properties, when compared with the 1995 MHI.) Accordingly, it is appropriate for the Council to express its appreciation to the Elected Members and Officers involved in the review.

## At 7.53pm Moved Cr Torre, Seconded Cr Farrell

That an "open" meeting be resumed.

**CARRIED (9-0)** 

## 9. CLOSURE

The Presiding Member, Mayor Nick Catania, JP, declared the meeting closed at 7.53pm with the following persons present:

Mayor Nick Catania, JP	Presiding Member
Cr Simon Chester	North Ward
Cr Helen Doran-Wu	North Ward
Cr Steed Farrell (Deputy Mayor)	North Ward
Cr Ian Ker	South Ward
Cr Sally Lake	South Ward
Cr Dudley Maier	North Ward
Cr Izzi Messina	South Ward
Cr Maddalena Torre	South Ward

John Giorgi, JP Chief Executive Officer

Rob Boardman Executive Manager, Environmental and

**Development Services** 

Mike Rootsey Executive Manager, Corporate Services

These Minutes were confirmed by the Council as a true and accurate record of the Special Meeting of the Council held on 3 April 2007.

Signed:	Presiding Member
	Mayor Nick Catania, JF
Dated this day of	