



CITY OF VINCENT

**SPECIAL
COUNCIL MEETING**

Minutes

19 APRIL 2016

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Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council of the City of Vincent held at the Administration and Civic Centre, 244 Vincent Street, Leederville, on Tuesday 19 April 2016, commencing at 6:00pm.

1. (a) DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Presiding Member, Mayor John Carey, declared the meeting open at 6:01pm and read the following Acknowledgement of Country Statement:

(b) ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY STATEMENT

"Today we meet on the lands of the Nyoongar people and we honour them as the traditional custodians of this land".

2. APOLOGIES/MEMBERS ON APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

(a) Apologies:

Nil.

(b) Members on Approved Leave of Absence:

Nil.

(c) Present:

Mayor John Carey	Presiding Member
Cr Matt Buckels	North Ward (from 6:06pm)
Cr Emma Cole	North Ward
Cr Susan Gontaszewski	South Ward
Cr Dan Loden	North Ward (from 6:03pm)
Cr Laine McDonald	South Ward
Cr Jimmy Murphy	South Ward
Cr Joshua Topelberg	South Ward
Len Kosova	Chief Executive Officer
Rick Lotznicker	Director Technical Services
Gabriela Poezyn	Director Development Services
John Paton	Director Corporate Services
Ryan Hall	A/Director Community Services
Priyamvada Rasal	Governance & Council Support Officer

Media

Nil.

Nil Members of the Public.

3. Public Question Time and Receiving of Public Statements

Nil.

4. Declaration of Interests

Nil.

5. Reports

- 5.1 Council's Strategic Priorities for 2016 – 2017
- 5.2 Notice of Motion: Mayor John Carey – Transparency Reform Discussion Paper

6. Closure

5.1 Council's Strategic Priorities for 2016 - 2017

Ward:	Both	Date:	15 April 2016
Precinct:	All	File Ref:	-
Attachments:	1 – Proposed Council Priorities for 2016 – 2017		
Tabled Items:	Nil		
Reporting Officer:	John Paton, A/Chief Executive Officer		
Responsible Officer:	John Paton, A/Chief Executive Officer		

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. **ADOPTS** the 'Proposed Council Priorities for 2016 – 2017' as detailed in Attachment [1](#) to guide Council's focus during 2016/17 and inform considerations for the 2016/17 Annual Budget; and
2. **WAIVES** the requirement to advertise the Draft Budget for 2016/17 and **INSTRUCTS** the CEO to invite public submissions from the community, aligned to the Council Priorities for consideration in the development of the 2016/17 Annual Budget.

Moved Cr Gontaszewski, Seconded Cr Cole

That the recommendation be adopted.

Debate ensued.

Cr Loden arrived at 6:03pm.

Debate ensued.

Cr Buckels arrived at 6:06pm.

Debate ensued.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Moved Cr Cole, Seconded Cr McDonald

That Recommendation be amended to read as follows:

That Council:

1. **ADOPTS** the 'Proposed Council Priorities for 2016 – 2017' as detailed in Attachment 1 to guide Council's focus during 2016/17 and inform considerations for the 2016/17 Annual Budget; and
2. **WAIVES** the requirement to advertise the Draft Budget for 2016/17 and **INSTRUCTS** the CEO to invite public submissions from the community, aligned to the Council Priorities for consideration in the development of the 2016/17 Annual Budget.
3. **REQUIRES a Special Council Briefing Session to be held one week prior to the Special Council Meeting to adopt the draft 2016/17 Budget to provide the opportunity for the community to review the Draft Budget before it is considered by Council for adoption.**

Debate ensued.

AMENDMENT PUT AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (8-0)

(Cr Harley was not present at the Meeting.)

Debate ensued.

MOTION AS AMENDED PUT AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (8-0)

(Cr Harley was not present at the Meeting.)

COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 5.1

That Council:

1. **ADOPTS** the 'Proposed Council Priorities for 2016 – 2017' as detailed in Attachment 1 to guide Council's focus during 2016/17 and inform considerations for the 2016/17 Annual Budget; and
 2. **WAIVES** the requirement to advertise the Draft Budget for 2016/17 and **INSTRUCTS** the CEO to invite public submissions from the community, aligned to the Council Priorities for consideration in the development of the 2016/17 Annual Budget.
 3. **REQUIRES** a Special Council Briefing Session to be held one week prior to the Special Council Meeting to adopt the draft 2016/17 Budget to provide the opportunity for the community to review the Draft Budget before it is considered by Council for adoption.
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5.2 NOTICE OF MOTION: Mayor John Carey – Transparency Reform – Discussion Paper

That Council ADOPTS in principle support for the recommendations included in the revised Discussion Paper detailed in Attachment [1](#) to stimulate discussion and feedback among and within local governments on a range of measures designed to improve transparency and accountability from the sector in Western Australia.

Moved Cr Cole, Seconded Cr Gontaszewski

That the recommendation be adopted.

Debate ensued.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Moved Cr Cole, Seconded Cr Gontaszewski

That Recommendation be amended to read as follows:

That Council ADOPTS in principle support for the recommendations included in the revised Discussion Paper detailed in Attachment [1](#) to stimulate discussion and feedback among and within local governments on a range of measures designed to improve transparency and accountability from the sector in Western Australia and AUTHORISES the CEO to make any necessary formatting and typographical corrections prior to its publication.

AMENDMENT PUT AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (8-0)

(Cr Harley was not present at the Meeting.)

MOTION AS AMENDED PUT AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (8-0)

(Cr Harley was not present at the Meeting.)

COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 5.2

That Council ADOPTS in principle support for the recommendations included in the revised Discussion Paper detailed in Attachment [1](#) to stimulate discussion and feedback among and within local governments on a range of measures designed to improve transparency and accountability from the sector in Western Australia and **AUTHORISES** the CEO to make any necessary formatting and typographical corrections prior to its publication.

6. CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Presiding Member, Mayor John Carey, declared the meeting closed at 6:15pm with the following persons present:

Mayor John Carey	Presiding Member
Cr Matt Buckels	North Ward
Cr Emma Cole	North Ward
Cr Susan Gontaszewski	South Ward
Cr Dan Loden	North Ward
Cr Laine McDonald	South Ward
Cr Jimmy Murphy	South Ward
Cr Joshua Topelberg	South Ward
Len Kosova	Chief Executive Officer
Rick Lotznicker	Director Technical Services
Gabriela Poezyn	Director Development Services
John Paton	Director Corporate Services
Ryan Hall	A/Director Community Services
Priyamvada Rasal	Governance & Council Support Officer

No members of the Public were present

These Minutes were confirmed by the Council as a true and accurate record of the Special Meeting of the Council held on 19 April 2016.

Signed:Presiding Member John Carey.

Dated this day of 2016.