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COUNCIL

Minutes

for the meeting on

Tuesday, 9 September 2025

in the Council Chamber, Adelaide Town Hall

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Our Adelaide. **Bold. Aspirational. Innovative.**

Present – The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, Dr Jane Lomax-Smith (Presiding)

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin

Councillors Abrahimzadeh, Couros, Davis, Giles, Maher, Noon, Dr Siebentritt and Snape

1 Acknowledgement of Country

At the opening of the Council meeting, the Lord Mayor stated:

'Council acknowledges that we are meeting on traditional Country of the Kaurna people of the Adelaide Plains and pays respect to Elders past and present. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kaurna people living today.

And we also extend that respect to other Aboriginal Language Groups and other First Nations who are present today.'

2 Acknowledgement of Colonel William Light

The Lord Mayor stated:

'The Council acknowledges the vision of Colonel William Light in determining the site for Adelaide and the design of the City with its six squares and surrounding belt of continuous Park Lands which is recognised on the National Heritage List as one of the greatest examples of Australia's planning heritage.'

3 Prayer

The Lord Mayor stated:

'We pray for wisdom, courage, empathy, understanding and guidance in the decisions that we make, whilst seeking and respecting the opinions of others.'

4 Pledge

The Lord Mayor stated:

'May we in this meeting speak honestly, listen attentively, think clearly and decide wisely for the good governance of the City of Adelaide and the wellbeing of those we serve.'

5 Memorial Silence

The Lord Mayor asked all present stand in silence in memory of those who gave their lives in defence of their Country, at sea, on land and in the air.

6 Apologies and Leave of Absence

Apology:

Councillor Freeman

Leave of Absence:

Councillor Cabada

7 Confirmation of Minutes - 26/8/2025 & 2/9/2025

Moved by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin, Seconded by Councillor Abrahimzadeh -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 26 August 2025 and the Minutes of the Special meeting of the Council held on 2 September 2025, be taken as read and be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

Carried

8 Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin declared a material conflict of interest in Item 25 [Confidential Recommendation of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee – 2 September 2025, Recommendation 1 – Item 10.1 – Market Square and Central Market], pursuant to Section 75 of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA) as he is on the Board of the Adelaide Central Market Authority and that he would vacate his Chair and leave the room when the Item was considered.

9 Deputations

Nil

10 Petitions

Nil

Lord Mayor sought leave of the meeting to consider Item 13 - Recommendations of the CEO Performance Review Panel - 1 September 2025 prior to Item 23 - Exclusion of the Public.

Leave was granted

11 Advice of the Kadaltilla/ Adelaide Park Lands Authority - 28 August 2025 adjourned from 17 July 2025

Moved by Councillor Snape, Seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin -

THAT COUNCIL

- 1. Notes the advice of the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority from the meeting of the Board held on 28 August 2025, adjourned from 17 July 2025, contained in Item 11 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council held on 9 September 2025 in relation to:
 - 1.1. North Adelaide Public Golf Course Act 2025.
 - 1.2. Tentative List Submission for World Heritage Bid for Adelaide and its Rural Settlement Landscapes Progress Report.

12 Advice of the Kadaltilla/ Adelaide Park Lands Authority 28 August 2025

THAT COUNCIL

- Notes the advice of the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority from the meeting of the Board held on 28 August 2025, contained in Item 12 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council held on 9 September 2025 in relation to:
 - 1.1. Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority Annual Report 2024/2025

Carried

14 Recommendations of the City Community Services and Culture Committee - 2 September 2025

14.1 Recommendation 1 - Item 7.1 - Draft Memorandum of Understanding with Athens, Greece

Moved by Councillor Couros, Seconded by Councillor Snape -

THAT COUNCIL

- 1. Approves the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Adelaide and the City of Athens, Greece as contained in Attachment A to Item 7.1 listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Community Services and Culture Committee held on 2 September 2025.
- 2. Notes that the City of Athens has advised the City of Adelaide that the Memorandum of Understanding must be approved first by its municipal council and subsequently by the Greek Ministry of the Interior, before it can be signed by both parties.
- 3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to make any necessary editorial or administrative amendments to the Memorandum of Understanding as contained in Attachment A to Item 7.1 listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Community Services and Culture Committee held on 2 September 2025, in response to feedback from the City of Athens municipal Council or the Greek Ministry of the Interior, providing it does not alter its intent.

Discussion ensued

The motion was then put and carried unanimously

15 Recommendations of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee – 2 September 2025

15.1 Recommendation 1 - Item 7.1 - Historic Area Statement Update Code Amendment for Endorsement

Moved by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin, Seconded by Councillor Snape -

THAT COUNCIL:

- 1. Endorses the amendment to the Planning and Design Code for the Historic Area Statement Update Code Amendment as contained in Attachment A to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee held on 2 September 2025.
- 2. Notes the independent assessment of Representative Buildings as contained in Workshop Item 6.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee held on 2 September 2025.
- 3. Endorses the Historic Area Statement Update Code Amendment Engagement Report as contained in Attachment B to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee held on 2 September 2025, based on Option 2 Include Representative Buildings as supported by the independent assessment.
- 4. Asks the Administration to pursue, consistent with its advice on pages 101 and 102 of the papers for the City Planning Committee on September 2nd, 2025, proposals for new historic areas and additional local heritage places, reporting to the City Planning Committee in February 2026.
- Requests the Administration to prepare suggestions for more detailed criteria for properties to qualify as "representative" to enable Council to better determine eligibility, subject to further discussion with the State Government and, again, reporting to the City Planning Committee in February 2026.
- 6. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer, or delegate, to make minor typographical, syntactical and technical amendments to the documents as contained in Attachment A and Attachment B to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee held on 2 September 2025 for the purpose

of seeking approval from the Minister for Planning.

Discussion ensued, during which Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin with the consent of the seconder Councillor Snape withdrew his motion.

It was then -

Moved by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin, Seconded by Councillor Snape -

THAT COUNCIL:

- 1. Endorses the amendment to the Planning and Design Code for the Historic Area Statement Update Code Amendment as contained in Attachment A to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee held on 2 September 2025.
- 2. Notes the independent assessment of Representative Buildings as contained in Workshop Item 6.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee held on 2 September 2025.
- 3. Endorses the Historic Area Statement Update Code Amendment Engagement Report as contained in Attachment B to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee held on 2 September 2025, based on Option 1 Include Representative Buildings as supported by the independent assessment.
- 4. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer, or delegate, to make minor typographical, syntactical and technical amendments to the documents as contained in Attachment A and Attachment B to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee held on 2 September 2025 for the purpose of seeking approval from the Minister for Planning.

Discussion ensued

Amendment -

Moved by Councillor Siebentritt, Seconded by Councillor Noon -

That the motion be amended by the inclusion of an additional part 5 to read as follows:

65. Requests Administration review the advice given to property owners who wish to lodge objections to buildings being identified as representative to assist them in making their submissions.

Discussion ensued, during which with the consent of the mover, seconder and the meeting the amendment was varied to read as follows:

'5. Requests Administration review the advice given to property owners who wish to lodge objections to future buildings being identified as representative to assist them in making their submissions, for presentation to the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee with a view to making a proposal to the Minister for Planning.'

The amendment, as varied, was then put and carried The motion, as amended, was then put and carried

15.2 Recommendation 2 - Item 7.2 - Heritage Incentives Scheme Application over \$75,000

Lord Mayor declared a material conflict of interest in Item 15 [Recommendation 2 – Item 7.2 - Heritage Incentives Scheme Application over \$75,000], pursuant to Section 75 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) as she is the relative of one of the applicants, withdrew her Chair and left the Council Chamber at 7.33 pm.

The Deputy Lord Mayor took the Chair at 7.33 pm.

It was then -

Moved by Councillor Snape, Seconded by Councillor Giles -

THAT COUNCIL:

- Approves an allocation of \$125,000 for conservation works to 'Cottage Homes', 92-100
 Stanley Street, North Adelaide as contained in Attachment A to Item 7.2 on the Agenda
 for the meeting of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee held
 on 2 September 2025, in accordance with the Heritage Incentives Scheme Operating
 Guidelines.
- 2. Approves an allocation of \$125,000 for conservation works to 'Goodlife Health Club (former Bank of Adelaide Head Office)', 81 King William Street, Adelaide as contained in Attachment B to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee held on 2 September 2025, in accordance with the Heritage Incentives Scheme Operating Guidelines.
- 3. Approves an allocation of \$125,000 for conservation works to 'East End Markets Gables', 224-232 Grenfell Street, Adelaide as contained in Attachment C to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee held on 2 September 2025, in accordance with the Heritage Incentives Scheme Operating Guidelines.

Carried unanimously

The Lord Mayor re-entered the Council Chamber at 7.34 pm and retook the Chair.

16 Reports for Council (Chief Executive Officer's Reports)

16.1 Appointment of Deputy Lord Mayor

Discussion ensued

It was then -

Moved by Councillor Noon, Seconded by Councillor Giles -

THAT COUNCIL:

- Notes the resolution of Council of 13 May 2025 noting the appointment of Councillor Martin to the position of Deputy Lord Mayor until the first Council Meeting attended by the newly sworn in Central Ward Council Members.
- 2. Defers consideration of the appointment of a Deputy Lord Mayor until the Ordinary Meeting of Council scheduled for 23 September 2025.
- 3. Approves the extension of the appointment of Councillor Martin as Deputy Lord Mayor for the period from 10 September 2025 until 23 September 2025.

Discussion continued, during which the Lord Mayor advised due to a material conflict of interest raised by Councillor Martin, the motion would be taken in parts.

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin declared a material conflict of interest in part 3 of Item 16.1 [Appointment of Deputy Lord Mayor], pursuant to Section 75 of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA) as he is the nominee to a position with remuneration and that he would withdraw his Chair when part 3 was considered.

Amendment -

Moved by Councillor Couros, Seconded by Councillor Abrahimzadeh -

That Parts 2 and 3 of the motion be amended to change the date '23 September 2025' to '11 November 2025.'

Discussion ensued, during which Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin having declared a material conflict of interest in part 3 of the motion, withdrew his Chair and left the Council Chamber at 7.46 pm.

The Lord Mayor sought leave of the meeting to adjourn for a period of 5 minutes at 7.54 pm.

The meeting reopened at 8.00 pm, with the following members present:

The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, Dr Jane Lomax-Smith (Presiding), Councillors Abrahimzadeh, Couros, Davis, Giles, Maher, Noon, Dr Siebentritt and Snape.

With the consent of the mover, seconder and the meeting, part 3 of the original motion became part 2 of the motion and the amended part 3 was varied to read as follows:

'3. Notes that Council has appointed Councillor ______ to the position of Deputy Lord Mayor for the period commencing 24 September 2025 until 28 October 2025.'

Discussion continued

Councillor Davis declared a general conflict of interest in part 2 of Item 16.1 [Appointment of Deputy Lord Mayor], pursuant to Section 74 of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA) due to the past defamation proceedings involving Councillor Martin, and he would withdraw his Chair and leave the Council Chamber for part 2 of the motion.

Part 1 of the motion, was then put and carried unanimously

Councillor Davis left the Council Chamber at 8.04 pm.

Part 2 of the motion, was then put and carried

Discussion continued, during which:

- Councillor Davis re-entered the Council Chamber at 8.04 pm.
- Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin re-entered the Council Chamber at 8.05 pm.
- With leave of the mover, seconder and the meeting the amendment to part 3 of the motion was varied to read as follows:
 - '3. Resolves to appoint a Councillor to the position of Deputy Lord Mayor for the period commencing 24 September 2025 until 28 October 2025.'

It was then -

Moved by Councillor Snape, Seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin –

That the motion be put.

Carried

The amendment to part 3 of the motion, as varied, was then put and lost

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin requested that a division be taken on the amendment to part 3 of the motion.

Division

For (3):

Councillors Abrahimzadeh, Couros and Davis

Against (6):

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin and Councillors Giles, Maher, Noon, Siebentritt and Snape

The division was declared against the amendment to part 3 of the motion as varied

The original part 3 of the motion became obsolete as it is dealt with at part 2

Councillor Couros left the meeting at 8.14 pm.

16.2 Appointment of Committee Chairs and Deputy Chairs

Moved by Councillor Noon, Seconded by Councillor Giles -

THAT COUNCIL:

 Notes the resolution of Council of 14 April 2025 appointing the Deputy Lord Mayor to act as Chair for the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs and Infrastructure and Public Works Committees until the first meeting attended by newly sworn in Central Ward Council Members.

- 2. Defers consideration of the appointment of Committee Chairs for the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs and Infrastructure and Public Works Committees and Deputy Chairs for the Infrastructure and Public Works and the City Finance and Governance Committees, until the Ordinary Meeting of Council scheduled for 23 September 2025.
- 3. Appoints the Deputy Lord Mayor to act as Chair for the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs and Infrastructure and Public Works Committees and as Deputy Chair for the City Finance and Governance Committee from 10 September 2025 until 23 September 2025.

Discussion ensued

The motion was then put and carried

16.3 Lord Mayor Travel for COP Related Events

Lord Mayor declared a material conflict of interest in Item 16.3 [Lord Mayor Travel for COP Related Events], pursuant to Section 75 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) as she was the nominee and would receive a pecuniary benefit, withdrew her Chair and left the Council Chamber at 8.19 pm.

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin took the Chair at 8.19 pm.

It was then -

Moved by Councillor Siebentritt, Seconded by Councillor Snape -

THAT COUNCIL

- 1. Notes the invitation to the Lord Mayor to attend the C40 World Mayors Summit as contained in Attachment A to Item 16.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of Council held on 9 September 2025.
- 2. Notes that the cost of registration, travel and accommodation for attendance at Climate Week NYC 2025 and the COP30 Local Leaders Forum, including the C40 World Mayors Summit, will be funded by the City of Adelaide in accordance with Council Policy.
- 3. Approves the Lord Mayor's travel to New York City, USA, in September 2025, and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in November 2025, to represent the City of Adelaide and to advocate for Australia and Adelaide to host COP31 in 2026.

Carried unanimously

Lord Mayor re-entered the Council Chamber at 8.20 pm and retook the Chair.

17 Lord Mayor's Reports

The Lord Mayor addressed the meeting on the following:

- Welcome to the new Council Members
- Council of Capital City Lord Mayors Annual General Meeting
- Tour of Sydney
- Royal Adelaide Show 100th anniversary
- Ambassador of Switzerland to Australia, Nikolas Stürchler Gonzenbach received at the Adelaide Town Hall
- Australia Malaysia Business Council's celebration of their country's Independence Day
- AGM for the City South Association.

During the discussion, Councillor Abrahimzadeh left the Council Chamber at 8.22 pm.

It was then -

Moved by Councillor Noon, Seconded by Councillor Snape –

That the report be received and noted.

Carried

18 Councillors' Reports

Councillor Snape addressed the meeting to provide a personal explanation on recent media reports around his nominating as Deputy Lord Mayor.

Councillor Noon addressed the meeting to thank Central Ward voters for her re-election and note the passing of Sir Eric Neal.

Councillor Abrahimzadeh re-entered the Council Chamber at 8.28 pm

Councillor Siebentritt addressed the meeting on his attendance at the recent World Solar Challenge civic event in the Adelaide Town Hall.

Councillor Davis addressed the meeting on his attendance at a recent Anti-Semitism summit in Adelaide and to comment upon the recent media reports involving Councillor Snape's nomination for Deputy Lord Mayor.

It was then -

Moved by Councillor Snape, Seconded by Councillor Noon –

That the reports be received and noted.

Carried

19 Motions on Notice

Nil

20 Motions without Notice

Nil

21 Questions on Notice

21.1 Councillor Davis - QoN - Deputations

21.2 Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin - QoN - Parking Space Vote

21.3 Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin - QoN - Burnside Reponse

The Question and Replies having been distributed and published prior to the meeting were taken as read.

The replies for Items 21.1 to 21.3, are attached for reference at the end of the Minutes of the meeting.

22 Questions without Notice

Discussion ensued

Undertaking – QwN – Councillor Davis – Supplementary Election

In response to a query from Councillor Davis, an undertaking was given to provide Council Members with an update on the Council decision that requested Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin provide Council with the information and correspondence he had mentioned in comments he made on 22 July 2025, regarding alleged voter fraud.

13 Recommendations of the CEO Performance Review Panel - 1 September 2025

Mr Michael Sedgman, Chief Executive Officer, declared a material conflict of interest in Item 13 [Recommendations of the CEO Performance Review Panel - 1 September 2025], pursuant to Section 75 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) as he was the subject of the item, withdrew his Chair and left the Council Chamber at 8.33 pm.

Discussion ensued

The Lord Mayor found Councillor Davis to be in breach of Section 86 (6) (a) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), behaving in an improper manner, using inappropriate language and disrupting the meeting and invited him to provide a personal explanation.

Councillor Davis made a personal explanation.

The Lord Mayor responded to Councillor Davis' personal explanation and in accordance with the regulations, the Lord Mayor directed that Councillor Davis be excluded from the Council Meeting for a period of 5 mins.

During the discussion, Councillor Abrahimzadeh left the meeting at 8.36 pm.

Councillor Davis left the Council Chamber at 8.37 pm.

It was then -

Moved by Councillor Snape, Seconded by Councillor Siebentritt -

Recommendation 1 - Item 4.1 - 2024/25 CEO Performance KPIs

THAT COUNCIL

- 1. Receives the KPI progress report, as contained in Attachment A to Item 4.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the CEO Performance Review Panel held on 1 September 2025, outlining progress against the Chief Executive Officer's endorsed 2024/25 Key Performance Indicators.
- 2. Notes that the CEO Performance Review Panel commends the Chief Executive Officer on the significant progress against the KPIs, including the improvement in budgetary outcomes.

Discussion ensued, during which Councillor Davis re-entered the Council Chamber at 8.43 pm.

The motion was then put and carried unanimously

23 Exclusion of the Public

Moved by Councillor Giles, Seconded by Councillor Snape -

ORDER TO EXCLUDE FOR ITEM 24

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Having taken into account the relevant consideration contained in section 90(3) (a) and section 90(2) & (7) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), this meeting of the Council dated 9 September 2025 resolves that it is necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public as the consideration of Item 24 [Confidential Recommendations of the CEO Performance Review Panel - 1 September 2025] listed on the Agenda in a meeting open to the public would on balance be contrary to the public interest.

Recommendation 1 - 2024/25 CEO Performance 360 Review

Grounds and Basis

Consideration in confidence is sought because the confidential 360 Degree Review conducted by Hender Consulting contains information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of the views of elected members, staff and stakeholders into the personal affairs of Mr Michael Sedgman, Chief Executive Officer, City of Adelaide.

The CEO Performance Review Committee is satisfied that the principle that the meeting be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstances because the disclosure of this information would involve the unreasonable disclosure of the views of elected members, staff and stakeholders into the personal affairs of Mr Michael Sedgman, Chief Executive Officer, City of Adelaide.

Recommendation 2 - 2024/25 CEO Performance Remuneration Review

Grounds and Basis

Receipt and discussion of this report and attachments associated with this Item is required in confidence to protect the personal affairs of the Chief Executive Officer.

The CEO Performance Review Committee is satisfied that the principle that the meeting be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstances because the disclosure of this information would involve unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person.

2. Pursuant to section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA) (the Act), this meeting of the Council dated 9 September 2025 orders that the public (with the exception of members of Corporation staff and any person permitted to remain) be excluded from this meeting to enable this meeting to receive, discuss or consider in confidence Item 24 [Confidential Recommendations of the CEO Performance Review Panel - 1 September 2025] listed in the Agenda, on the grounds that such item of business, contains information and matters of a kind referred to in section 90(3) (a) of the Act.

Carried

Moved by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin, Seconded by Councillor Noon -

ORDER TO EXCLUDE FOR ITEM 25

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Having taken into account the relevant consideration contained in section 90(3) (b) & (d) and section 90(2) & (7) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), this meeting of the Council dated 9 September 2025 resolves that it is necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public as the consideration of Item 25 [Confidential Recommendation of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee – 2 September 2025] listed on the Agenda in a meeting open to the public would on balance be contrary to the public interest.

Grounds and Basis

This Item contains certain information of a confidential nature (not being a trade secret) the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting business, prejudice the commercial position of the council and prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied the information and confer a commercial advantage to a third party.

The disclosure of information in this report could reasonably prejudice the commercial position of the council including its future commercial dealings given that it contains legal matters, financial information and commercial in confidence material.

Public Interest

The City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee is satisfied that the principle that the meeting be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstances because information pertaining to this report, including certain financial information, legal matters and commercial in confidence information, may prejudice Council's future commercial dealings with respect to its strategic asset holding. On this basis, the disclosure of such financial, legal and commercial in confidence information may severely prejudice the Council's ability to influence the proposal for the benefit of the Council and the community in this matter.

2. Pursuant to section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) (the Act), this meeting of the Council dated 9 September 2025 orders that the public (with the exception of members of Corporation staff and any person permitted to remain) be excluded from this

meeting to enable this meeting to receive, discuss or consider in confidence Item 25 [Confidential Recommendation of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee -2 September 2025] listed in the Agenda, on the grounds that such item of business, contains information and matters of a kind referred to in section 90(3) (b) & (d) of the Act.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Maher, Seconded by Councillor Davis –

ORDER TO EXCLUDE FOR ITEM 26.1

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Having taken into account the relevant consideration contained in section 90(3) (j) and section 90(2) & (7) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), this meeting of the Council dated 9 September 2025 resolves that it is necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public as the consideration of Item 26.1 [Capital City Committee Update] listed on the Agenda in a meeting open to the public would on balance be contrary to the public interest.

Grounds and Basis

The disclosure of information in this report would breach 'Cabinet in confidence' information presented to the Capital City Committee (CCC) established under the City of Adelaide Act 1998 which has provided for a State/Capital City inter-governmental forum (the CCC) to operate and the associated duty of confidence and duty as a member of the inter-governmental forum.

Public Interest

The Committee is satisfied that the principle that the meeting be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstances because the disclosure of this information would divulge information provided on a confidential basis, and would be acting contrary to the CCC operational provisions, and could undermine the CCC operations and prejudice the position of the State Government and/or Council in relation to current/future proposals prior to State Government and/or City of Adelaide evaluation and deliberation.

2. Pursuant to section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA) (the Act), this meeting of the Council dated 9 September orders that the public (with the exception of members of Corporation staff and any person permitted to remain) be excluded from this meeting to enable this meeting to receive, discuss or consider in confidence Item 26.1 [Capital City Committee Update] listed in the Agenda, on the grounds that such item of business, contains information and matters of a kind referred to in section 90(3) (j) of the Act.

Carried

Members of the public and corporation staff not involved with Items 24, 25 and 26.1 left the Council Chamber at 8.44 pm.

- 24 Confidential Recommendations of the CEO Performance Review Panel 1 September 2025 [S90(3) (a)]
- 24.1 Recommendation 1 Item 6.1 2024/25 CEO Performance 360 Review [S90(3) (a)]
- 24.2 Recommendation 2 Item 6.2 2024/25 CEO Performance Remuneration Review [S90(3) (a)]
- 25 Confidential Recommendation of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee 2 September 2025 [S90(3) (b), (d)]
- 25.1 Recommendation 10.1 Recommendation 1 Market Square and Central Market Expansion [S90(3) (b), (d)]
- 26 Confidential Reports for Council (Chief Executive Officer's Reports)
- 26.1 Capital City Committee Update [S90(3) (j)]

The meeting reopened to the public at 8.48 pm.

Item 24 - Recommendation 1 - Item 6.1 - 2024/25 CEO Performance 360 Review [s 90(3) [(a)]

Confidentiality Order

Authorises that, in accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) and because Item 24 [Recommendation 1 – Item 6.1 - 2024/25 CEO Performance 360 Review] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council held on 9 September 2025 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3) (a) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), this meeting of the Council do order that

- 1. The resolution, the report, the discussion and any other associated information submitted to this meeting and the Minutes of this meeting in relation to the matter remain confidential and not available for public inspection until 31 December 2030.
- 2. The confidentiality of the matter be reviewed in December 2026.
- 3. The Chief Operating Officer be delegated the authority to review and revoke all or part of the order herein and directed to present a report containing the Item for which the confidentiality order has been revoked

Item 24 – Recommendation 2 – Item 6.2 - 2024/25 CEO Performance Remuneration Review [s 90(3) [(a)]

Confidentiality Order

In accordance with Section 91 (7) & (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) and on the grounds that Item 24 [Recommendation 2 – Item 6.2 - 2024/25 CEO Performance Remuneration Review] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the CEO Performance Review Panel held on 1 September 2025 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90 (3) (a) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), this meeting of the CEO Performance Review Committee, do order that:

- 1. The discussion held in confidence in relation to the matter remain confidential and not available for public inspection until 31 December 2030.
- 2. The confidentiality of the matter be reviewed in December 2028.
- 3. The Chief Operating Officer be delegated the authority to review and revoke all or part of the order herein and directed to present a report containing the Item for which the confidentiality order has been revoked.

Item 25 – Confidential Recommendation of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee – 2 September 2025 [s 90(3) [(b) & (d)]

Confidentiality Order

In accordance with Section 91(7) & (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) and on the grounds that Item 25 [Confidential Recommendation of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee – 2 September 2025] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council held on 9 September 2025 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90 (3) (b) & (d) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), this meeting of the Council do order that:

- 1. The resolution, the report, the discussion and any other associated information submitted to this meeting and the Minutes of this meeting in relation to the matter remain confidential and not available for public inspection until 31 December 2032.
- 2. The confidentiality of the matter be reviewed in December 2026.
- 3. The Chief Executive Officer be delegated the authority to review and revoke all or part of the order herein and directed to present a report containing the Item for which the confidentiality order has been revoked.

Item 26.1 - Capital City Committee Update [s 90(3) [(j)]

Resolution and Confidentiality Order

THAT COUNCIL

- 1. Notes the report on the Capital City Committee meeting held on 27 August 2025.
- 2. In accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) and because Item 26.1 [Capital City Committee Update] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of Council held on 9 September 2025 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Sections 90(3)

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- (j) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA), this meeting of the Council orders that:
- 2.1. The resolution become public information and included in the Minutes of the Council Meeting.
- 2.2. The report, the discussion and any other associated information submitted to this meeting and the Minutes of this meeting in relation to the matter remain confidential and not available for public inspection until 31 December 2030.
- 2.3. The confidentiality of the matter be reviewed in December 2026.
- 2.4. The Chief Executive Officer be delegated the authority to review and revoke all or part of the order herein and directed to present a report containing the Item for which the confidentiality order has been revoked.

Closure

The meeting closed at 8.48 pm

Dr Jane Lomax-Smith Lord Mayor

Date of confirmation:

Documents Attached:

Item 21.1 – 21.3 – Question on Notice Replies – Distributed Separately

Councillor Davis - QoN - Deputations

Tuesday, 9 September 2025 **Council**

Council MemberCouncillor Henry Davis

Public

Contact Officer:Anthony Spartalis, Chief Operating Officer

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Henry Davis will ask the following Question on Notice:

- '1. How many deputations have been received to be heard at Council during this Council term?
- 2. How many deputations have been refused either by the chair of a committee, the Lord Mayor or the Council?'

REPLY

- 1. Members of the public may request to speak at a Council Meeting or a Core Committee Meeting by way of deputation, in accordance with regulation 11 of the *Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013 (Regulations)*, the Council Code of Practice for Meeting Procedures (Code of Practice) and the Core Committee Terms of Reference and Meeting Procedures (Terms of Reference).
- 2. In accordance with the Regulations, Code of Practice and Terms of Reference, the presiding Member of Council or a Core Committee may refuse or accept a deputation request.
- 3. Council, through the Code of Practice and Terms of Reference documents, has resolved to limit the number of deputation requests able to be approved by a Presiding Member at either Council or a Core Committee, to no more than three, with any further requests to be put to the meeting for consideration. If the Presiding Member refuses to allow a deputation to appear at a meeting, a verbal report explaining the decision to the meeting will be provided by the Presiding Member.
- 4. The following table provides a summary of deputation requests received for both Council and Core Committees for the current Council Term until 2 September 2025.

Meeting	Accepted	Refused (Presiding Member)	Refused (Meeting)	Other
Council	53	7	5	3 (withdrawn or no-show)
City Community Services and Culture Committee	4	1	Nil	Nil
City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee	8	Nil	Nil	Nil

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Meeting	Accepted	Refused (Presiding Member)	Refused (Meeting)	Other
City Finance and Governance Committee	2	Nil	Nil	Nil
Infrastructure and Public Works Committee	3	4*	4*	Nil

^{*}These deputation requests were declined by the Presiding Member and then by the Meeting.

Staff time in receiving	To prepare this reply in response to the question on notice took approximately 4.5	
and preparing this reply	hours.	

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Minute Item 21.2

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin - QoN - Parking Space Vote

Tuesday, 9 September 2025 **Council**

Council MemberCouncillor Phillip Martin

Public

Contact Officer:Anthony Spartalis, Chief Operating Officer

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Phillip Martin will ask the following Question on Notice:

'Could the Administration advise how many ratepayers were entitled to exercise a vote in the recent Central Ward supplementary election only as a consequence of owning property that could be categorised as a car parking space, garage or any similar space designed for vehicles and what were the largest number of such voting entitlements in these categories?'

REPLY

- 1. As the 2025 election was a supplementary election for the Central Ward only, each owner is entitled to a singular vote regardless of the number of properties owned.
- 2. Rating assessments can represent a singular carpark space, a group of spaces or an entire multi-story carpark.
- 3. Of the 350 rateable assessments meeting the above criteria, 179 individual voting entitlements were identified that are directly attributed to a ratepayer only owning a car parking space, garage or any similar space designed for vehicles within the Central Ward.

Staff time in receiving	To prepare this reply in response to the question on notice took approximately 5.5	
and preparing this reply	hours.	

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Minute Item 21.3

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin - QoN - Burnside Response

Tuesday, 9 September 2025 **Council**

Council MemberCouncillor Phillip Martin

Public

Contact Officer:Anthony Spartalis, Chief Operating Officer

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Phillip Martin will ask the following Question on Notice:

'Could the Administration through AEDA, advise Council:

- if it has detected any impact to foot traffic or sales in Rundle Mall following the opening of the expanded Burnside Village,
- the quantum of any financial impact, and

the details of its strategy, including costs, being implemented to position Rundle Mall as the State's premier retail and commercial shopping precinct?'

REPLY

Foot Traffic

- 1. AEDA consistently monitors the external trading environment for Rundle Mall be that the Burnside Village expansion, investment into other suburban retail precincts, the continued rise of online retail or economic conditions.
- 2. As of August 2025, year-to-date foot-traffic in Rundle Mall is 17% above 2019 pre-COVID levels. Over the past twelve months AEDA has observed a 10% decline in foot traffic across the City of Adelaide, however Rundle Mall foot traffic has experienced a smaller decline of 6% over the same period. Since the opening of the expanded Burnside Village in May 2025, Rundle Mall foot traffic has fallen by 4% in annual terms, compared to a decline across the City of Adelaide of 10%.
- 3. Overall expenditure in Rundle Mall increased by 7% nominal (5% if adjusted for inflation) in annual terms between May 2025 and July 2025 (the latest available data). Overall expenditure in Rundle Mall has been bolstered by a 17% increase in annual terms to hospitality categories through January to July 2025.

Positioning Rundle Mall

4. Recognising rapid shifts in the trading environment and consumer behaviour — including the rise of online shopping and competition from suburban centres — the AEDA Board endorsed the Rundle Mall Place Strategy & Precinct Roadmap in July 2023. Grounded in consumer research and stakeholder engagement, the strategy is designed to future-proof the precinct by repositioning Rundle Mall beyond traditional retail, with a strong focus on food, beverage and the night-time economy, while reinforcing its role as South Australia's premier retail and commercial destination. Consequently, a refreshed Christmas strategy has been developed and a marketing and events strategy is nearing completion.

- 5. Since its endorsement, the roadmap has guided initiatives including Adelaide Fashion Week, MallFest (Fringe), and brand partnerships such as AFL Gather Round. These activations have successfully broadened Rundle Mall's appeal, particularly through food-led and dining experiences, with the Colours of Asia contributing to a record 680,000 visitors across three days in March 2025.
- 6. To continue funding this approach in 2025/26, AEDA will receive \$4.138 million through the Rundle Mall Separate Rate (Levy), generate \$380k through casual leasing, secure \$100k for the City Sessions project, and receive a \$200k Council contribution to implement a new Christmas concept.
- 7. Proposed actions in 2025/26 to position Rundle Mall as the State's premier retail and commercial shopping precinct include:
 - 7.1 Refining the Rundle Mall brand and launch a new brand campaign focused on the core strategy of "Shop, Explore, and Experience" including delivering targeted marketing activities aligned with the strategy. (\$415k)
 - 7.2 Marketing and Activations (\$2.087m) including:
 - 7.2.1 Implementing an events and festivals strategy that reinforces Rundle Mall's brand positioning, reflects the vision to "Energise Adelaide's City Life", and supports the goal to "Enrich the City's Economy."
 - 7.2.2 Creating initiatives that elevate brand positioning, enhance market competitiveness, and promote Rundle Mall as the state's leading experience driven retail, dining, and entertainment precinct.
 - 7.2.3 Commencing delivery of a new Rundle Mall Christmas Strategy aligned with the Rundle Mall vision and brand, complementing the City of Adelaide and Adelaide Central Market Authority Christmas strategies.
 - 7.2.4 Extending Rundle Mall's activity beyond standard shopping hours by delivering activations in places like James Place, hosting night markets in the Mall, and by promoting extended trading campaigns during key events such as festival season, AFL Gather Round, and other exclusive CBD events and festivals.
 - 7.3 Commencing planning for the Rundle Mall 50th anniversary celebration in 2026.
 - 7.4 Forging brand partnerships and implement targeted PR and marketing initiatives to elevate the Rundle Mall experience, enhance its brand identity, and attract new tenants.
 - 7.5 Managing a Rundle Mall Concession and Commercial Management Program that reinforces the Mall's brand and place positioning while optimising revenue to fund other marketing, events, and activations.
 - 7.6 Maintaining an increased investment into safety and security (\$318k).
- 8. In 2024/25, Council invested \$5.9 million in upgrading Charles Street. Capital works in 2025/26 include the \$1.5m James Place upgrade and \$1.169m Sound System upgrade. Additional funding will be required to progress the Twin Street upgrade projects and other planned actions under the Place Strategy, including an appropriately scaled 50th Anniversary celebration.

Staff time in receiving and	To prepare this reply in response to the question on notice took
preparing this reply	approximately 5.5 hours.

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