



CITY FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes

for the meeting on

Tuesday, 15 September 2026

in the Colonel Light Room, Adelaide Town Hall

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Present – The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, Dr Jane Lomax-Smith
Councillor Dr Siebentritt (Chair)
Councillor Maher (Deputy Chair)
Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon and Councillors Abrahamzadeh, Cabada, Couros,
Freeman, Martin and Snape

1 Acknowledgement of Country

The Chair stated:

‘The City of Adelaide acknowledges the Kaurna People of the Adelaide Plains as the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet today.

We acknowledge and honour their spiritual and cultural stewardship of this Country and recognise their deep and enduring relationship with its lands, waters, the sky, and all living things.

We pay our respects to Kaurna Elders past and present and recognise the important role of emerging leaders in sustaining and strengthening culture.’

Councillors Cabada, Couros and Freeman entered the Colonel Light Room at 5.31 pm.

2 Apologies and Leave of Absence

Leave of Absence:

Councillor Giles

3 Confirmation of Minutes - 18/8/2026

Moved by Councillor Snape,
Seconded by Councillor Martin -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held 18 August 2026, be taken as read and be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

Carried

4 Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Nil

5 Deputations

Nil

6 Workshops

Nil

7 Reports for Recommendation to Council

7.1 2026/27 Forward Procurement Report

Discussion ensued

It was then –

Moved by Councillor Cabada,
Seconded by Councillor Snape -

THAT THE CITY FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL
THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes the provision of the forward procurement report deviates from Council's Procurement Policy due to Caretaker provisions and that the procurements set out in Attachment A to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 15 September 2026, which will be released to the market in Quarter 1 and Quarter 2 of the 2026/27 financial year.

Carried unanimously

7.2 City of Adelaide Strategic Plan 2024-2028 Year 2 update

Discussion ensued

Undertaking - City of Adelaide Strategic Plan 2024-2028 Year 2 update

In response to a query from the Lord Mayor, an undertaking was given to provide Council Members with an update on the upgrading of the audio equipment at the North Adelaide Community Centre as to whether the works have been completed and the funds have been expended.

It was then -

Moved by Councillor Cabada,
Seconded by Councillor Snape -

THAT THE CITY FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL

THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes the Year 2 Update on the Strategic Plan 2024 – 2028 as contained in Attachment A to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 15 September 2026.

Discussion continued

Undertaking - City of Adelaide Strategic Plan 2024-2028 Year 2 update

In response to a query from Councillor Cours, an undertaking was given to identify actions within the Strategic Plan 2024-2028 that were carried over from the previous term of Council and provide this information to Council Members.

Carried unanimously

8 Reports for Noting

Nil

9 Exclusion of the Public

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

ORDER TO EXCLUDE FOR ITEM 10.1

THAT THE CITY FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE:

1. Having taken into account the relevant consideration contained in section 90(3) (k) and section 90(2) & (7) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), this meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee dated 15 September 2026 resolves that it is necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public as the consideration of Item 10.1 [Delegation to Award Contract (Gouger Street Revitalisation)] 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 is confidential as it contains information which relates to tenders for the supply of goods, provision of services and carrying out of works.

The disclosure of information in this report contains information relating to tenders for the Gouger Street Revitalisation Project.

2. Pursuant to section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) (the Act), this meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee dated 15 September 2026 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 10.1 [Delegation to Award Contract (Gouger Street Revitalisation)] 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) (k) of the Act.

Carried unanimously

It was then –

Moved by Councillor Freeman,
Seconded by Councillor Maher –

ORDER TO EXCLUDE FOR ITEM 10.2

THAT THE CITY FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE:

1. Having taken into account the relevant consideration contained in section 90(3) (b) and section 90(2) & (7) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), this meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee dated 15 September 2026 resolves that it is necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public as the consideration of Item 10.2 [Community Facilities Investment Prioritisation] 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 is confidential as it contains information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the Council.

The disclosure of information in this report may adversely impact project viability, prejudice the ability to undertake/ participate in future negotiations on the proposal and prejudice the Council's commercial position and opportunity for Council to participate in future like considerations or discussions.

Public Interest

The City Finance and Governance 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 may severely prejudice Council's ability to discuss/participate or influence a proposal for the benefit of the Council and the community in this matter and in relation to other contract negotiations.

2. Pursuant to section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) (the Act), this meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee dated 15 September 2026 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 10.2 [Community Facilities Investment Prioritisation] 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) of the Act.

Carried unanimously

Members of the public and corporation staff not involved with Items 10.1 and 10.2 left the Colonel Light Room at 6.01 pm.

- 10 Confidential Reports for Recommendation to Council**
- 10.1 Delegation to Award Contract (Gouger Street Revitalisation) [S90(3) (k)]**
- 10.2 Community Facilities Investment Prioritisation [S90(3) (b)]**

The meeting reopened to the public at 6.51 pm.

Item 10.1 – Delegation to Award Contract (Gouger Street Revitalisation) [S90(3) (k)]

Confidentiality Order

Orders, in accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) and because Item 10.1 [Delegation to Award Contract (Gouger Street Revitalisation)] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 15 September 2026 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3) (k) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), that

1. The resolution, 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 otherwise determined by Council or 31 December 2036.
2. The confidentiality of the matter be reviewed in accordance with section 91(3) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA).
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 10.2 – Community Facilities Investment Prioritisation [S90(3) (b)]

Confidentiality Order

Orders, in accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) and because Item 10.2 [Community Facilities Investment Prioritisation] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 15 September 2026 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3) (b) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), 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 otherwise determined by Council or 31 December 2033.
2. The confidentiality of the matter be reviewed in accordance with section 91(3) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA).
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.

Closure

The meeting closed at 6.51 pm

Councillor Dr Siebentritt
City Finance and Governance Committee Chair

Documents Attached:

Nil