

CSF044: MIDDLETON BEACH ARTIFICIAL SURF REEF FEASIBILITY

ALTERNATE MOTION BY COUNCILLOR GOODE

DATE & TIME REQUEST FOR ALTERNATE MOTION RECEIVED: Friday 22 November 2013 at 2.48pm.

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VOTING REQUIREMENT: SIMPLE MAJORITY**

THAT Council give no further consideration to the Middleton Beach Artificial Surf Reef Feasibility Project.

Councillor's Reason:

As per the Officer's Report, caution needs to be exercised in moving forward with a project of this nature.

There has been identified a need for considerably more studies to explore cause and effect and the overall impact on the coastal system of this project.

Further studies and implementation costs are extremely difficult to quantify, could take up to two years and cost in excess of \$100,000.

With several major events occurring in the immediate future, limited staff time could be better utilised working on these projects.

Officer's Comment (Executive Director Corporate Services):

The intent of the Committee Recommendation was to separate the issue of the Middleton Beach Artificial Surfing Reef from the Emu Point coastal erosion solution and ensure that any allocation for further studies was discussed as part of the 2014/15 budget deliberations.

At this stage City staff are not in a position to provide an estimate of the costs of further studies due to the fact that further wave data and offshore metocean data is required. There are various options available for obtaining this data and it may be possible to obtain some already existing data. This information will be required to properly inform budget deliberations, progression of detailed design, sourcing funding and obtaining any necessary approvals.

If this alternate motion is successful, then no further information will be sought by staff and the Artificial Surfing Reef will not form part of budget discussions for 2014/15.