

# AGENDA

**Ordinary Meeting of Council** 

Tuesday 18 December 2018

6.00pm

City of Albany Council Chambers

#### ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA 18/12/2018

#### CITY OF ALBANY COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN (ALBANY 2023)



#### NOTICE OF AN ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor and Councillors

The next Ordinary Meeting of the City of Albany will be held on Tuesday 18 December 2018 in the Council Chambers, 102 North Road, Yakamia commencing at 6.00pm.

Alex

Andrew Sharpe CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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#### 1. DECLARATION OF OPENING

#### 2. PRAYER AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL LAND OWNERS

"Heavenly Father, we thank you for the peace and beauty of this area. Direct and prosper the deliberations of this Council for the advancement of the City and the welfare of its people. Amen."

"We would like to acknowledge the Noongar people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land.

We would also like to pay respect to Elders both past and present".

#### 3. RECORD OF APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

| Mayor                                 | D Wellington             |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Councillors:                          |                          |
| Breaksea Ward                         | R Hammond                |
| Breaksea Ward                         | P Terry                  |
| Frederickstown Ward                   | G Stocks (Deputy Mayor)  |
| Kalgan Ward                           | E Doughty                |
| Vancouver Ward                        | T Sleeman                |
| West Ward                             | S Smith                  |
| West Ward                             | A Goode JP               |
| Yakamia Ward                          | A Moir                   |
| Yakamia Ward                          | R Sutton                 |
|                                       |                          |
| Staff:                                |                          |
| Chief Executive Officer               | A Sharpe                 |
| Executive Director Corporate Services | M Cole                   |
| Executive Director Development        |                          |
| Services                              | P Camins                 |
| Executive Director Infrastructure     |                          |
| & Environment                         | M Thomson                |
| Executive Director Community Services | S Kay                    |
| Meeting Secretary                     | J Williamson             |
| Apologies:                            |                          |
| Kalgan Ward                           | B Hollingworth (Apology) |
| Vancouver Ward                        | J Shanhun (Apology)      |
| Frederickstown Ward                   | R Stephens (Apology)     |
|                                       |                          |

#### ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA 18/12/2018

#### 4. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

| Name | Report<br>Item Number | Nature of Interest |
|------|-----------------------|--------------------|
|      |                       |                    |

#### 5. **REPORTS OF MEMBERS**

- 6. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE-Mr Wayne Monks tabled an address containing questions he asked during Public Question Time at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday 27 November 2018. Those questions were responded to verbally by the Executive Director Development Services at that meeting. No questions were required to be taken on notice.
- 7. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME
- 8. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE
- 9. PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS
- 10. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#### DRAFT MOTION

#### VOTING REQUIREMENT: SIMPLE MAJORITY

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27 November 2018, as previously distributed, be CONFIRMED as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

#### 11. **PRESENTATIONS** Nil

#### 12. UNRESOLVED BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

DIS093: Recommend Adoption of Local Structure Plan No. 10- Lot 10 Chester Pass Road and Lot 521 Mercer Road, Walmsley. This report has been deferred for three months at the request of the applicant.

# CCS112: FINANCIAL ACTIVITY STATEMENT – OCTOBER 2018

| Proponent           |
|---------------------|
| Report Prepared by  |
| Responsible Officer |

- : City of Albany
- : Manager Finance (D Olde)
- : Executive Director Corporate Services (M Cole)

#### RECOMMENDATION

#### CCS112: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION VOTING REQUIREMENT: SIMPLE MAJORITY

THAT the Financial Activity Statement for the period ending 31 October 2018 be RECEIVED.

CCS112: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: COUNCILLOR MOIR SECONDED: COUNCILLOR STEPHENS

THAT the Responsible Officer Recommendation be ADOPTED.

CARRIED 11-0

CCS112: RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Financial Activity Statement for the period ending 31 October 2018 be RECEIVED.

#### BACKGROUND

- 1. The Statement of Financial Activity for the period ending 31 October 2018 has been prepared and is attached.
- 2. In addition to the statutory requirement to provide Council with a Statement of Financial Activity, the City provides Council with a monthly investment summary to ensure the performance of the investment portfolio is in accordance with anticipated returns and complies with the Investment of Surplus Funds Policy.

#### DISCUSSION

- 3. In accordance with section 34(1) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, the City of Albany is required to prepare each month a Statement of Financial Activity reporting on the revenue and expenditure of the local authority.
- 4. The requirement for local governments to produce a Statement of Financial Activity was gazetted in March 2005 to provide elected members with a greater insight in relation to the ongoing financial performance of the local government.
- 5. Additionally, each year a local government is to adopt a percentage or value to be used in Statements of Financial Activity for reporting material variances. Variations in excess of \$100,000 are reported to Council.
- 6. These financial statements are still subject to further yearend adjustments and have not been audited by the appointed auditor.

"Please note that rounding errors may occur when whole numbers are used, as they are in the reports that follow. The 'errors' may be \$1 or \$2 when adding sets of numbers. This does not mean that the underlying figures are incorrect."

#### STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

- 7. Section 34 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 provides:
  - I. A local government is to prepare each month a statement of financial activity reporting on the source and application of funds, as set out in the annual budget under regulation 22 (1)(d), for that month in the following detail:
    - a. annual budget estimates, taking into account any expenditure incurred for an additional purpose under section 6.8(1)(b) or (c);
    - b. budget estimates to the end of the month to which the statement relates;
    - c. actual amounts of expenditure, revenue and income to the end of the month to which the statement relate
    - d. material variances between the comparable amounts referred to in paragraphs (b) and (c); and
    - e. the net current assets at the end of the month to which the statement relates.
  - II. Each statement of financial activity is to be accompanied by documents containing
    - a. an explanation of the composition of the net current assets of the month to which the statement relates, less committed assets and restricted assets;
    - b. an explanation of each of the material variances referred to in sub regulation (1)(d); and
    - c. such other supporting information as is considered relevant by the local government.
  - III. The information in a statement of financial activity may be shown
    - a. according to nature and type classification;
    - b. by program; or
    - c. by business unit.
  - IV. A statement of financial activity, and the accompanying documents referred to in sub regulation (2), are to be
    - a. presented at an ordinary meeting of the council within 2 months after the end of the month to which the statement relates; and
    - b. recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which it is presented.

#### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 8. The City's 2018/19 Annual Budget provides a set of parameters that guides the City's financial practices.
- 9. The Investment of Surplus Funds Policy stipulates that the status and performance of the investment portfolio is to be reported monthly to Council.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 10. Expenditure for the period ending 31 October 2018 has been incurred in accordance with the 2018/19 proposed budget parameters.
- 11. Details of any budget variation in excess of \$100,000 (year to date) follow. There are no other known events which may result in a material non recoverable financial loss or financial loss arising from an uninsured event.

#### File Number (Name of Ward) FM.FIR.7 - All Wards

# CCS113: LIST OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – NOVEMBER 2018

Business Entity Name

- : City of Albany
- Attachments Report Prepared By
- : List of Accounts for Payment
- : Manager Finance (D Olde)
- Responsible Officers:
- : Executive Director Corporate Services (M Cole)

#### RECOMMENDATION

#### CCS113: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION VOTING REQUIREMENT: SIMPLE MAJORITY

THAT the list of accounts authorised for payment under delegated authority to the Chief Executive Officer for the period ending 15 November 2018 totalling \$6,821,089.05 be RECEIVED.

CCS113: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: COUNCILLOR SMITH SECONDED: COUNCILLOR MOIR

THAT the Responsible Officer Recommendation be ADOPTED.

CARRIED 11-0

#### CCS113: RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

THAT the list of accounts authorised for payment under delegated authority to the Chief Executive Officer for the period ending 15 November 2018 totalling \$6,821,089.05 be RECEIVED.

#### BACKGROUND

1. Council has delegated to the Chief Executive Officer the exercise of its power to make payments from the City's municipal and trust funds. In accordance with Regulation 13 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, a list of accounts paid by the Chief Executive Officer is to be provided to Council.

#### DISCUSSION

2. The table below summarises the payments drawn from the municipal fund for the period ending 15 November 2018. Please refer to the Attachment to this report.

| Municipal Fund            |                |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Trust                     | \$8,892.00     |
| Credit Cards              | \$18,799.69    |
| Payroll                   | \$1,568,059.64 |
| Cheques                   | \$116,808.98   |
| Electronic Funds Transfer | \$5,108,528.74 |
| TOTAL                     | \$6,821,089.05 |

As at 15 November 2018, the total outstanding creditors, stands at \$1,051,914.68 and made up as follows:-

| Current           | \$303,022.93          |
|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 30 Days           | \$749,284.39          |
| 60 Days           | \$7.52                |
| 90 Days           | \$(400.16)            |
| TOTAL             | <u>\$1,051,914.68</u> |
| Cancelled Cheques | Nil                   |

#### STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

- 3. Regulation 12(1)(a) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, provides that payment may only be made from the municipal fund or a trust fund if the Local Government has delegated this function to the Chief Executive Officer or alternatively authorises payment in advance.
- 4. The Chief Executive Officer has delegated authority to make payments from the municipal and trust fund.
- 5. Regulation 13 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 provides that if the function of authorising payments is delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, then a list of payments must be presented to Council and recorded in the minutes.

#### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

6. Expenditure for the period to 15 November 2018 has been incurred in accordance with the 2018/2019 budget parameters.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7. Expenditure for the period to 15 November 2018 has been incurred in accordance with the 2018/2019 budget parameters.

#### CONCLUSION

- 8. That list of accounts have been authorised for payment under delegated authority.
- 9. It is requested that any questions on specific payments are submitted to the Executive Director Corporate Services by 4pm of the day prior to the scheduled meeting time. All answers to submitted questions will be provided at the Committee meeting. This allows a detailed response to be given to the Committee in a timely manner.

| File Number (Name of Ward) | : | FM.FIR.2 - All Wards |
|----------------------------|---|----------------------|
|----------------------------|---|----------------------|

# CCS114: DELEGATED AUTHORITY REPORTS – OCTOBER TO NOVEMBER 2018

| Proponent           | : City of Albany   |
|---------------------|--|
| Attachments         | : Executed Document and Common Seal Report                 |
| Report Prepared by  | : Personal Assistant to the ED Corporate Services (H Bell) |
| Responsible Officer | : Chief Executive Officer (A Sharpe)                       |

#### RECOMMENDATION

#### CCS114: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION VOTING REQUIREMENT: SIMPLE MAJORITY

THAT the Delegated Authority Reports 16 October 2018 to 15 November 2018 be RECEIVED.

CCS114: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: COUNCILLOR STEPHENS SECONDED: COUNCILLOR HAMMOND

THAT the Responsible Officer Recommendation be ADOPTED.

CARRIED 11-0

CCS114: RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Delegated Authority Reports 16 October 2018 to 15 November 2018 be RECEIVED.

# CCS116: FINANCIAL ACTIVITY STATEMENT – NOVEMBER 2018

| Proponent           |
|---------------------|
| Report Prepared by  |
| Responsible Officer |

- : City of Albany
- : Manager Finance (D Olde)
- : Executive Director Corporate Services (M Cole)

#### RECOMMENDATION

#### CCS116: RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION VOTING REQUIREMENT: SIMPLE MAJORITY

THAT Council RECEIVE the Financial Activity Statement for the period ending 30 November 2018.

#### BACKGROUND

- 1. The Statement of Financial Activity for the period ending 30 November 2018 has been prepared and is attached.
- 2. In addition to the statutory requirement to provide Council with a Statement of Financial Activity, the City provides Council with a monthly investment summary to ensure the performance of the investment portfolio is in accordance with anticipated returns and complies with the Investment of Surplus Funds Policy.

#### DISCUSSION

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#### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 8. The City's 2018/19 Annual Budget provides a set of parameters that guides the City's financial practices.
- 9. The Investment of Surplus Funds Policy stipulates that the status and performance of the investment portfolio is to be reported monthly to Council.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 10. Expenditure for the period ending 30 November 2018 has been incurred in accordance with the 2018/19 proposed budget parameters.
- 11. Details of any budget variation in excess of \$100,000 (year to date) follow. There are no other known events which may result in a material non recoverable financial loss or financial loss arising from an uninsured event.

File Number (Name of Ward) FM.FIR.7 - All Wards

# AR052: INTERNAL AUDIT – APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR

Business Entity Name Report Prepared By Responsible Officers:

- : City of Albany
- : Manager Finance (D Olde)
- : Executive Director Corporate Services (M Cole)

#### STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

- 1. This item relates to the following elements of the City of Albany Strategic Community Plan or Corporate Business Plan informing plans or strategies:
  - Theme: Leadership.
  - **Objective:** To establish and maintain sound business and governance structures.
  - **Community Priority:** Provide informed and transparent decision making that is consistent with our strategic direction, meets our legal obligations, reflects the level of associated risk and is adequately explained to the community.

#### RECOMMENDATION

# AR052: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (AMENDED RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

#### VOTING REQUIREMENT: ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

THAT Council:

- 1) AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to seek expressions of interest for the provision of suitably qualified auditor to provide internal audit services for the period of three (3) years, for appointment at the next Audit & Risk Committee Meeting; and
- 2) NOTE that the request for internal audit services will include, but not limited to, the following functions:
  - Expenditure salary and wage costs and other expenditure
  - IT Security Password change regime, complexity (reduction in potential data breaches) and SPAM and Phishing emails/phones calls.
  - Human Resources Pre-employment screening and OSH Actions to resolve/mitigate reported hazards
  - Governance Assessment of attractive asset control i.e. phones, tablets and fraud awareness
  - Current Assets bank, short term investments, receivables and cash handling
  - Non-Current Assets property, plant and equipment and depreciation
  - Liabilities creditors
  - Procurement quotes, tenders and validation of authorised persons to commit expenditure
  - Statutory fines and infringement management
  - Compliance with Local Government Act 1995 and local laws
  - Capital Commitments management of major capital projects
  - Other functions and activities at the request of the Audit and Risk Committee
- 3) NOTE that the Audit and Risk Committee will meet with the Internal Auditor prior to the commencement of the audit to address the scope of the audit.
- 4) REQUEST the development of a reporting framework and present all findings and recommendations of the internal audit to the Audit and Risk Committee.

# AR052: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (AMENDED RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: COUNCILLOR TERRY SECONDED: COUNCILLOR STEPHENS

THAT Council:

- 1) AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to seek expressions of interest for the provision of suitably qualified auditor to provide internal audit services for the period of three (3) years, for appointment at the next Audit & Risk Committee Meeting; and
- 2) NOTE that the request for internal audit services will include, but not limited to, the following functions:
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  - Other functions and activities at the request of the Audit and Risk Committee
  - 3) NOTE that the Audit and Risk Committee will meet with the Internal Auditor prior to the commencement of the audit to address the scope of the audit.
  - 4) REQUEST the development of a reporting framework and present all findings and recommendations of the internal audit to the Audit and Risk Committee.

CARRIED 4-0

#### AR052: RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council:

- AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to seek expressions of interest for the provision of suitably qualified auditor to provide internal audit services for the period of three (3) years, for appointment at the next Audit & Risk Committee Meeting; and
- 2) NOTE that the request for internal audit services will include, but not limited to, the following functions:
  - Expenditure salary and wage costs and other expenditure
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  - Statutory fines and infringement management
  - Compliance with Local Government Act 1995 and local laws
  - Capital Commitments management of major capital projects
  - Other functions and activities at the request of the Audit and Risk Committee.

#### BACKGROUND

- 2. Internal audit is an important element of our governance structure. It gives Council and the Executive Management Team independent assurance that a robust internal control structure is in place and our outputs are operating effectively, efficiently and lawfully.
- 3. The objective of this report is to provide the Audit and Risk Committee with an opportunity to define the scope of the internal audit.
- 4. In addition, the Office of the Auditor General will be undertaking a performance audit in local governments (LGs) with different focus areas.

#### DISCUSSION

- 5. The internal audit complements the Audit & Risk Committee's responsibilities prescribed under Regulation 17 of the *Local Government (Audit) Regulations 1996*.
- 6. It is considered good governance to appoint an internal auditor as an additional control and oversight on City operations.
- 7. The City has appointed internal auditors in the past. The most recent internal audit report was tabled at the Audit and Risk Committee held on 6 December 2016. The contract for this service has expired.
- 8. The recommendation is to enter into a contract for three years to allow the appointed internal auditor to gain a good understanding of the City operational environment.

#### **GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

9. No government or public consultation was conducted in preparing this report.

#### STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

10. The Local Government Amendment (Auditing) Regulations 2017 states, in part:

16. Functions of audit committee: An audit committee has the following functions -

(a) to guide and assist the local government in carrying out -

(i) its functions under Part 6 of the Act; and

(ii) its functions relating to other audits and other matters related to financial management;

#### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

11. Nil

#### **RISK IDENTIFICATION & MITIGATION**

12. The risk identification and categorisation relies on the City's Enterprise Risk & Opportunity Management Framework.

| Risk   | Likelihood | Consequence | Risk     | Mitigation  |
|--|------------|-------------|----------|---|
|  |            |             | Analysis |   |
| Financial & Business<br>Interruption.  | Possible   | Major       | High     | Ongoing: Risk management is<br>integrated into the day to day   |
| Identified risks are not<br>appropriately addressed<br>resulting in the impairment<br>of service delivery. |            |             |          | decision making.<br>Review of current process based on<br>findings of probity audits from across<br>the sector. |

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

13. The 2018/19 Annual Budget has an allocation of funds for audit services of \$74 990, which includes the statutory audit, audits required for grant acquittals, and the internal audit.

#### LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

14. Nil.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

15. Nil.

#### **ALTERNATE OPTIONS**

16. Nil.

#### CONCLUSION

17. That the Responsible Officer Recommendation be received.

| Consulted References       | : | <ul> <li>Local Government Act 1995</li> <li>Local Government Amendment (Auditing) Act 2017</li> <li>Auditor General Act 2006</li> </ul> |  |
|----------------------------|---|---|--|
| File Number (Name of Ward) | : | (All Wards)   |  |
| Previous Reference         | : | Audit & Risk Committee - 22/11/2018 – Report AR051<br>Audit & Risk Committee - 8/10/2018 - Report AR049                                 |  |

## DIS137: NATURE-BASED CAMPING STRATEGY AND ACTION PLAN

| Land Description             | : | Various COA Reserves  |
|------------------------------|---|---|
| Proponent / Owner            | : | City of Albany  |
| Attachments                  | : | Nature Based Camping Strategy Community Engagement<br>Report and Draft Nature Based Camping Strategy & Action<br>Plan 2018-2022 |
| Report Prepared By           | : | Manager City Reserves (J Freeman)   |
| <b>Responsible Officers:</b> | : | Executive Director Infrastructure and Environment (M Thomson)   |

#### STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

- 1. This item relates to the following elements of the City of Albany Strategic Community Plan or Corporate Business Plan informing plans or strategies:
  - Theme: Community Health & Participation
  - **Objective:** To develop and support a healthy inclusive and accessible community.
  - **Community Priority:** Develop a range of activities and facilities that connect people, promote a healthy community and are appropriate for all ages.
  - Theme: Clean, Green and Sustainable
  - **Objective:** To protect and enhance our natural and built environment in a changing climate
  - **Community Priority:** Sustainably protect and enhance our iconic coastline, reserves flora and fauna by delivering projects and programs that reflect the importance of our coastline and natural reserves.

#### In Brief:

- The City of Albany's Nature Based Camping Strategy and Action Plan is a five year strategic plan designed to provide a framework for the management of nature based camping in City managed reserves.
- The plan identifies key strategies and actions to continue to provide and further enhance the camping experience available to residents and visitors, while also protecting the environmental values of our reserves. The long term goal is to increase the number of people able to experience camping in the region while enhancing the overall condition of the environment in surrounding areas.
- The Plan is an integral part of the City's Natural Reserves Strategy and is important to informing the Community Strategic Plan, Albany 2030 and a range of other related plans.

#### RECOMMENDATION

#### DIS137: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION VOTING REQUIREMENT: SIMPLE MAJORITY

THAT the Nature Based Camping Strategy & Action Plan 2018-2022 be ADOPTED.

DIS137: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: COUNCILLOR HOLLINGWORTH SECONDED: COUNCILLOR STEPHENS

THAT the Responsible Officer Recommendation be ADOPTED.

CARRIED 10-0

DIS137: RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Nature Based Camping Strategy & Action Plan 2018-2022 be ADOPTED.

#### BACKGROUND

- 2. In 2014, a Camping Ground Working Group was established made up of industry and community representatives, City of Albany councillors and staff.
- 3. There continues to be an increasing strong demand for low cost nature-based camping opportunities.
- 4. During 2015-2017, the City of Albany completed some basic modifications and improvements to the City-managed campsites including installation of toilets and site definition.
- 5. The need for the development of a Nature-Based Camping Strategy was identified through community consultation during the development of the City's Natural Reserves Strategy in 2017.
- 6. In 2017, a consultant developed a background paper which helped in identifying a range of issues and opportunities that have guided the development of the Nature-Based Camping Strategy.
- 7. The draft Strategy has been advertised for public comment and modified where appropriate as a result of community comment after further review by internal stakeholders.

#### DISCUSSION

- 8. The City of Albany currently manages a large number of reserves and public open spaces which the community uses for a variety of purposes including camping.
- 9. Human interaction with the natural environment can provide a wide range of positive benefits (physical & mental health, etc.) but can also result in a range of negative issues if not managed appropriately.
- 10. The City of Albany's Nature-Based Camping Strategy and Action Plan is a 5-year strategic plan designed to provide a framework for the management of nature-based camping in City-managed reserves.
- 11. The plan identifies key strategies and actions to continue to provide and further enhance the camping experience available to residents and visitors, while also protecting the environmental values of our reserves. The long term goal is to increase the number of people able to experience camping in the region while enhancing the overall condition of the environment in surrounding areas.
- 12. The Plan is an integral part of the City's Natural Reserves Strategy and is important for informing the Community Strategic Plan, Albany 2030 and a range of other related plans.

#### **GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

13. See attached Community Engagement Report.

## STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

14. There is a range of Western Australian legislation applicable to the Strategy including the items listed below.

| Table 1: Western Australian legislation applicable to the Strategy |  |
|--|--|
|--|--|

| Legislation  | Administrator   | Intent of document  |
|--|---|---|
| Caravan Parks and Camping<br>Grounds Act 1995                                      | Government of WA,<br>local government                   | To improve and promote caravanning and<br>camping ensuring design and layouts<br>conform to statutory requirements. |
| Environmental Protection<br>Act 1986   | Department of Water<br>and Environmental<br>Regulation  | States guiding regulatory instrument for<br>compliance on environmental provisions.                                 |
| Land Administration Act<br>1997  | Department of<br>Planning, Lands and<br>Heritage (DPLH) | Provides for disposition and management of State land.  |
| Planning and Development<br>Act 2005   | DPLH, local<br>government                               | Provides for a system of land use planning and development.   |
| Health Act 1911  | Department of Health                                    | Protect and promote health in the State.  |
| Wildlife Conservation Act<br>1950  | DBCA  | Protection of threatened species.   |
| Caravan Parks and Camping<br>Grounds Regulations 1997                              | Government of WA,<br>local government                   | Regulates caravan parks and camping grounds.  |
| Planning and Development<br>(Local Planning Schemes)<br>Regulations 2015 (2015)    | DPLH, local<br>government                               | Regulates the planning process.   |
| Environmental Protection<br>(Clearing of Native<br>Vegetation) Regulations<br>2004 | Department of Water<br>and Environmental<br>Regulation  | Regulates the clearing of native vegetation.  |
| Health Local Law 2001  | СоА   | Regulates local public and environmental health.  |
| Fire and Emergency Services<br>(Bush Fire Prone Areas)<br>Order 2015               | Department of Fire<br>and Emergency<br>Services         | The areas of the state described in the<br>Bushfire Prone Areas dataset are designated<br>as bush fire prone areas. |

#### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

15. There are no policy implications relating to this report.

#### **RISK IDENTIFICATION & MITIGATION**

16. The risk identification and categorisation relies on the City's Enterprise Risk and Opportunity Management Framework.

| Risk   | Likelihood        | Consequence       | Risk<br>Analysis | Mitigation   |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|--|
| <b>Community:</b> The Nature-<br>Based Camping Strategy<br>and Action Plan raises<br>community expectations and<br>actions are not delivered as<br>per the Plan.   | Possible          | Moderate          | Medium           | If adopted, Council allocates<br>resources to accommodate actions<br>identified in the Plan in a timely<br>manner.   |
| <b>Reputation:</b> There is a risk<br>that by not establishing a<br>clear strategy for the<br>management of<br>Nature-Based Camping,<br>there will be continued<br>confusion in the community<br>and criticism of Council. | Likely            | Moderate          | High             | Adopt the Plan and continue<br>ongoing communication with the<br>public and relevant stakeholders<br>as to progress of actions within the<br>Plan.<br>If the proposed Strategy is not<br>endorsed, staff will review and<br>address areas of concern while<br>informal management of the<br>campsites will continue. |
| <b>Environment:</b> Continued degradation of vegetation if campsites are not designed and managed for increased use.   | Almost<br>Certain | Moderate          | High             | Adopt the Plan and undertake<br>design and implementation of<br>campsites to manage impact of<br>users.  |
| <b>Opportunity:</b> Campsites are b  | oetter manage     | ed within the Cit | y of Albany.     |  |

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 17. Ongoing costs for the maintenance and renewal of assets will be the responsibility of the City of Albany. The Nature-Based Camping Strategy will require linking to the Long Term Financial Plan for some of the proposed actions to be achieved. Allocations to achieve specific actions will be considered as part of the annual budget and review processes.
- 18. The Strategy will support the City in applying for external funding to undertake some of the larger capital works activities should suitable funding opportunities arise.

#### LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

19. There are no legal implications related to this report.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 20. The Strategy is designed to help address the key issues of environmental protection and sustainable management associated with nature-based camping.
- 21. The Strategy reflects current environmental best practice. However, specific environmental impact assessments will be undertaken for all new actions/works prior to implementation, and any necessary environmental conditions will be implemented at this stage.

#### ALTERNATE OPTIONS

- 22. Council may choose not to adopt this Strategy. However, this is not recommended as Albany continues to see a steady growth in visitors seeking nature-based camping experiences and is part of only two identified unique biodiversity hotspots in Australia. As such, there is an expectation that the City will manage camping in a way that will ensure we preserve and protect the unique environmental biodiversity values within our natural reserves.
- 23. Council may wish to modify the Strategy.

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#### CONCLUSION

- 24. The City's nature-based campsites are a significant asset for the City in terms of access by residents and visitors to natural areas, as well as generating economic, and health and wellbeing benefits for the City and broader community.
- 25. The need for the development of a Nature-Based Camping Strategy was identified through community consultation during the development of the City's Natural Reserves Strategy in 2017.
- 26. The Nature-Based Camping Strategy and Action Plan is a 5-year strategic plan designed to provide a framework for the management of nature-based camping in City-managed reserves.
- 27. It identifies key strategies and actions to provide access for the community and protection of the environmental values of the campsites and surrounding areas.
- 28. Specific concept plans for each site will be developed and all appropriate environmental checks and approvals completed in due course and prior to any significant on-ground works being undertaken.
- 29. This report recommends that the Nature-Based Camping Strategy and Action Plan 2018-2022 be adopted.

| Consulted References       | : | Natural Reserves Strategy and Action Plan 2017-2021                      |
|----------------------------|---|--|
| File Number (Name of Ward) | : | PR.PLA.4 Parks and Reserves – Planning – Camping (West and Kalgan Wards) |
| Previous Reference         | : | Presentation to DIS Committee July 2018                                  |

# DIS138: LOCAL STRUCTURE PLAN NO.7 – LOT 9000 LANCASTER ROAD, MCKAIL

| Land Description<br>Proponent<br>Business Entity Name<br>Attachments | <ul> <li>Lot 9000 Lancaster Road, McKail</li> <li>Harley Dykstra<br/>J Belfield, K Belfield, B Lucas, A Lucas &amp; J Lucas</li> <li>Local Structure Plan 7 Document</li> <li>Local Structure Plan 7 Map</li> </ul>                   |
|--|---|
| Report Prepared By<br>Responsible Officers:                          | <ol> <li>Original Subdivision Guide Plan</li> <li>Schedule of Submissions and Recommendations</li> <li>Senior Planning Officer – Strategic Planning (A Nicoll)</li> <li>Executive Director Development Services (P Camins)</li> </ol> |
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#### STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

- 1. Council is required to exercise its quasi-judicial function in this matter.
- 2. The application for consideration proposes a structure plan to guide future subdivision and development of land in the McKail area.
- 3. In making a decision on the proposed structure plan, the Council is obliged to draw conclusion from its adopted *Albany Local Planning Strategy 2010* and *Community Strategic Plan Albany 2030*. The structure plan complies with strategic planning for the following reasons:
  - a) The Albany Local Planning Strategy (2010) seeks to encourage the development of the Structure Plan area for 'Rural Residential' (Min 1ha lots).
  - b) The Albany Community Strategic Plan Albany 2030 recommends a proactive planning service that supports sustainable growth while reflecting our local character and heritage (Community Priority: 5.1.2).

#### In Brief:

- The subject land is zoned 'Rural Residential'. A 'Subdivision Guide Plan' has already been adopted to guide subdivision of the land into 18 lots.
- A new plan (Structure Plan) has been submitted requesting changes including:
  - Adjusting the lot layout and number of lots from 18 to 14;
  - o Realigning internal road design; and
  - Including bushfire management criteria.
- Council is requested to consider submissions received on the Local Structure Plan No.7 and to recommend that the Western Australian Planning Commission support the structure plan subject to modifications.

Maps and Diagrams: Subject Site - Lot 1000 Lancaster Road, McKail.



#### RECOMMENDATION

DIS138: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (AMENDED RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION) VOTING REQUIREMENT: SIMPLE MAJORITY

THAT Council, pursuant to section 75 of the *Planning and Development Act 2005 and* Regulation 20. (2)(e) of *the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*, resolves to:

- 1. Recommend that the Western Australian Planning Commission approve Local Structure Plan No.7 subject to the following modifications:
  - a) It is recommended that the following conditions are included on the structure plan map:
    - i. At the time of subdivision/development of lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 13 and/or 14, a land capability assessment is undertaken in late winter to confirm that a minimum 0.5m separation distance between ground level and ground water can be achieved.
    - ii. A notification, pursuant to Section 165 of the Planning and Development Act 2005 is to be placed on the certificate(s) of title of the proposed lot(s) advising of the existence of a hazard or other factor. Notice of this notification is to be included on the diagram or plan of survey (deposited plan). The notification is to state as follows:

"This lot is in close proximity to existing agriculture activities and may be adversely affected by virtue of odour, noise, dust and/or light emissions from that land use."

- iii. Habitable buildings are to be surrounded by an asset protection zone, with a size to ensure the potential radiant heat impact of a bushfire does not exceed 29kW/m2. The APZ is to be managed in accordance with the requirements of 'Standards for Asset Protection Zones'.
- *iv.* The development of Battle-axes is to comply with standards in Table 4, column 3 (vehicle access technical requirements) of the Guidelines for Planning in Bushfire Prone Areas.
- v. Habitable development proposed within the 'MRWA Noise Line (50db)' area is to undertake a detailed acoustic assessment and determination of appropriate mitigation treatments as per the State Planning Policy 5.4 – Road and Rail Transport Noise and freight Considerations in Land Use Planning.
- vi. A *notification*, pursuant to Section 165 of the Planning and Development Act 2005 is to be placed on the certificate(s) of title of the proposed lot(s) 1, 3, 4, 6, 7 & 9 8, 9, 110, 15, 16 and 17. Notice of this notification is to be included on the diagram or plan of survey (deposited plan). The notification is to state as follows:

"The lot(s) are situated in the vicinity of a transport corridor and is currently affected, or may in the future be affected by transport noise."

vii. A *notification*, pursuant to Section 165 of the Planning and Development Act 2005 is to be placed on the certificate(s) of title of the proposed lots 1, 2, 10 and 11 advising of the existence of a hazard or other factor. Notice of this notification is to be included on the diagram or plan of survey (deposited plan). The notification is to state as follows:

"The land may be subject to temporary high noise levels from activities conducted at the Attwell Park Speedway."

- b) In accordance with the land evaluation assessment, it is recommended that the structure plan is amended to illustrate an additional building exclusion area to the western boundary.
- c) It is recommended that the wording in the bushfire assessment is revised to avoid any confusion with 'vegetation exclusions', as follows:

Class G Grassland has intentionally been omitted from the calculation of the BAL ratings within the BAL Contour Map. To ensure the potential radiant heat impact of a bushfire to a habitable dwelling does not exceed 29kW/m<sup>2</sup>, an asset protection zone around habitable dwellings is to be developed and managed in accordance with the requirements of 'Standards for Asset Protection Zones'.

- 2. Forward structure plan documentation and submissions to the Western Australian Planning Commission with a request that the Commission grant approval to the structure plan (with modifications).
- 3. Advise the applicant/owner and those who lodged a submission of the Council decision accordingly.

DIS138: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (AMENDED RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION)

MOVED: COUNCILLOR DOUGHTY SECONDED: COUNCILLOR TERRY

THAT the Responsible Officer Recommendation be ADOPTED including the following amendment:-

Item a) vi. with correct lot numbers 1, 3, 4, 6, 7 & 9.

CARRIED 10-0

#### DIS138: RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council, pursuant to section 75 of the *Planning and Development Act 2005 and* Regulation 20. (2)(e) of *the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*, resolves to:

1. Recommend that the Western Australian Planning Commission approve Local Structure Plan No.7 subject to the following modifications:

a) It is recommended that the following conditions are included on the structure plan map:

- i. At the time of subdivision/development of lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 13 and/or 14, a land capability assessment is undertaken in late winter to confirm that a minimum 0.5m separation distance between ground level and ground water can be achieved.
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- iii. Habitable buildings are to be surrounded by an asset protection zone, with a size to ensure the potential radiant heat impact of a bushfire does not exceed 29kW/m2. The APZ is to be managed in accordance with the requirements of 'Standards for Asset Protection Zones'.
- *iv.* The development of Battle-axes is to comply with standards in Table 4, column 3 (vehicle access technical requirements) of the Guidelines for Planning in Bushfire Prone Areas.
- v. Habitable development proposed within the 'MRWA Noise Line (50db)' area is to undertake a detailed acoustic assessment and determination of appropriate mitigation treatments as per the State Planning Policy 5.4 Road and Rail Transport Noise and freight Considerations in Land Use Planning.
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"The land may be subject to temporary high noise levels from activities conducted at the Attwell Park Speedway."

- b) In accordance with the land evaluation assessment, it is recommended that the structure plan is amended to illustrate an additional building exclusion area to the western boundary.
- c) It is recommended that the wording in the bushfire assessment is revised to avoid any confusion with 'vegetation exclusions', as follows:

Class G Grassland has intentionally been omitted from the calculation of the BAL ratings within the BAL Contour Map. To ensure the potential radiant heat impact of a bushfire to a habitable dwelling does not exceed 29kW/m<sup>2</sup>, an asset protection zone around habitable dwellings is to be developed and managed in accordance with the requirements of 'Standards for Asset Protection Zones'.

- 2. Forward structure plan documentation and submissions to the Western Australian Planning Commission with a request that the Commission grant approval to the structure plan (with modifications).
- 3. Advise the applicant/owner and those who lodged a submission of the Council decision accordingly.

#### BACKGROUND

- 4. Local Planning Scheme No. 1 was gazetted on 28 April 2014 and consists of the Scheme Text and the Scheme Maps. The Scheme divides the Local Government district into zones to identify areas for particular uses and identifies land reserved for public purposes.
- 5. A new proposed Local Structure Plan No.7 has been submitted seeking to modify the lot design and road layout of an approved Subdivision Guide Plan.
- 6. The City of Albany advertised the proposed Local Structure Plan No.7 in accordance with the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.*
- 7. At the close of advertising, the City of Albany received seven (7) submissions commenting on the proposed structure plan.
- 8. Council is requested to consider the submissions received and determine whether to recommend that the Commission support the structure plan with modifications.

#### DISCUSSION

- 9. The property is located approximately 7km north-west of the Albany town centre.
- 10. The subject site is currently zoned Rural Residential Area No.34 (RR34) in accordance with the City of Albany *Local Planning Scheme No.* 1. The RR34 standards currently allow for the subdivision of Rural Residential lots down to a minimum size of 1 hectare, based upon land capability, service availability and an existing approved Subdivision Guide Plan.
- 11. There are no significant topographical features located on the site including watercourses, wetlands, flood plains or dams.
- 12. The property is predominantly cleared of vegetation with a small cluster of trees located midway along the eastern portion of the site. The amended Structure Plan seeks to retain all existing vegetation where possible. The Structure Plan seeks to include revegetation to improve privacy and amenity, without increasing bushfire risk.
- 13. The new modified Structure Plan No.7 has been submitted to propose changes including:

- a) Larger lot sizes and improved shape to address market feedback and current bushfire practices.
- b) Realigning the future road reserve to provide vehicle access and street frontage to all lots.
- c) Adjusting revegetation areas to align with the revised lot layout;
- d) Inclusion of an emergency access way to ensure two points of access and egress in the event of a bushfire, and to comply with the requirements of SPP 3.7 – Planning in Bushfire Prone Areas.
- 14. The structure plan denotes noise contours associated with the future development of Link Road as a heavy vehicle transport route and the speedway located on Reddale Road, McKail.
- 15. Access to the subject land is to occur via a single access road, joining to Lancaster Road, which will connect to an east-west connection at the southern portion of the subject site. The structure plan proposes the development of a temporary 6m wide emergency access way to allow emergency and other vehicles to move through the subject land easily and safely at all times.
- 16. A Bushfire Management Plan has been prepared outlining various measures that enable the structure plan to comply with State Planning Policy 3.7, including maintaining low fuel areas, constructing driveways to enable emergency egress and constructing a temporary 6m wide emergency access way.
- 17. Reticulated sewerage is not available within the locality, which means development needs to connect to on-site septic systems with leach drains in accordance with the draft Government Sewerage Policy 2016. A land capability assessment was prepared over the land confirming suitable clearances from the ground surface to ground water levels.
- 18. As part of the advertising process, the following key comments were received:
  - a) There is a low lying area on the south-western boundary that should be identified as a 'Building Exclusion Zone';
  - b) The land evaluation assessment should have been conducted in a winter month and not March;
  - c) Concern about existing and potential agricultural activities on surrounding land and the possible resultant spray drift from chemical applications.
  - d) It is unclear what enforceable mechanism exists to ensure existing dwellings will be protected from bushfire threat.
  - e) The structure plan should be designed to show two access routes to two different destinations.
  - f) The creation of battle-axe lots should be avoided in bushfire prone areas.

#### Building Exclusion Zone

- 19. The Department of Health commented that a low lying area on the south-western boundary should be identified as a Building Exclusion Zone.
- 20. In relation to Department of Health comment, it is recommended that Council agree to advise the Western Australian Planning Commission that the structure plan should be amended to show a Building Exclusion Zone on the south-western boundary.

#### Land Evaluation assessment

21. The Department of Health suggested that the land evaluation assessment undertaken to determine groundwater depth should have been undertaken in winter months and not March.

- 22. In relation to Department of Health comment, it is recommended that Council agree to advise the Western Australian Planning Commission that in this instance, an additional winter land evaluation assessment is not necessary for the following reasons:
  - a) The results from the hydrological logs show that ground water was not intersected in any of the test holes (which went to depths of up to 1380mm deep). This gives the City confidence that the proposed lots will be able to achieve the min 0.5m separation distance to groundwater.
  - b) The decreased lot yield and increased lot size of almost all the proposed lots is a benefit in regards to onsite effluent disposal.
- 23. For assurance, it is recommended that the following condition is included on the structure plan map, applicable to the lower lying lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 13 and 14:

At the time of subdivision/development of lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 13 and/or 14, a land capability assessment is undertaken in late winter to confirm that a min 0.5m separation distance between ground level and ground water can be achieved.

#### Agricultural Activities

- 24. The Department of Health expressed concern about existing and potential agricultural activities on surrounding land and the possible resultant spray drift from chemical applications.
- 25. In relation to Department of Health comment, it is recommended that Council agree to advise the Western Australian Planning Commission that the following condition is placed on the structure plan map:
- 26. A notification, pursuant to Section 165 of the Planning and Development Act 2005 is to be placed on the certificate(s) of title of the proposed lot(s) advising of the existence of a hazard or other factor. Notice of this notification is to be included on the diagram or plan of survey (deposited plan). The notification is to state as follows:

"This lot is in close proximity to existing agriculture activities and may be adversely affected by virtue of odour, noise, dust and/or light emissions from that land use."

#### Asset Protection Zones

- 27. The Department of Fire and Emergency Services questioned what mechanism is proposed to ensure existing dwellings will be protected from bushfire threat.
- 28. In relation to Department of Fire and Emergency Services comment, it is recommended that Council agree to advise the Western Australian Planning Commission that the following condition is included on the structure plan map:

Habitable buildings are to be surrounded by an asset protection zone, with a size to ensure the potential radiant heat impact of a bushfire does not exceed 29kW/m2. The APZ is to be managed in accordance with the requirements of 'Standards for Asset Protection Zones'.

#### <u>Access</u>

- 29. The Department of Fire and Emergency Services commented that the structure plan should be designed to show two access routes to two different destinations.
- 30. It is recommended that Council agree to advise the Western Australian Planning Commission that the intent to provide two access routes to two different destinations has been complied with in accordance with the Commissions Guidelines for Planning in Bushfire Prone Areas, 'Performance Principle (P3)'.
- 31. The 'Performance Principle (P3)' states:

The internal layout, design and construction of public and private vehicular access and egress in the subdivision/development allow emergency and other vehicles to move through it easily and safely at all times.

32. The structure plan shows a public road and a 6m wide emergency access way to allow emergency and other vehicles to move through the subject land easily and safely at all times.

Battle-axe lots

- 33. The Department of Fire and Emergency Services commented that the creation of battle-axe lots should be avoided in bushfire prone areas.
- 34. In relation to Department of Fire and Emergency Services comment, it is recommended that Council agree to advise the Western Australian Planning Commission that the intent for subdivision design to include battle-axe lots complies with the Commissions 'Acceptable Solution A3.4'.
- 35. The 'Acceptable Solution A3.4' states:
  - a) Battle-axe access leg should be avoided in bushfire prone areas. Where no alternative exists, (this will need to be demonstrated by the proponent) all of the following requirements are to be achieved:
    - Requirements in Table 4, Column 3;
    - Maximum length: 600 metres; and
    - Minimum width: six metres.
- 36. Battle-axe legs shown on the structure plan do not exceed 600m and are a minimum 6m in width.
- 37. It is recommended that the following condition is included on the structure plan map to ensure compliance with Table 4, Column 3 of the Commissions Guidelines for Planning In Bushfire Prone Areas:

The development of Battle-axes is to comply with standards in Table 4, column 3 (vehicle access technical requirements) of the Guidelines for Planning in Bushfire Prone Areas.

38. Table 4, Column 3 of the Commissions Guidelines for Planning In Bushfire Prone Areas states:

| TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS          | 3 Private driveway |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| Minimum trafficable surface (m) | 4                  |
| Horizontal clearance (m)        | 6                  |
| Vertical clearance (m)          | 4.5                |
| Maximum grade <50 metres        | 1 in 10            |
| Minimum weight capacity (t)     | 15                 |
| Maximum cross fall              | 1 in 33            |
| Curves minimum inner radius (m) | 8.5                |

39. Council is requested to consider comments and staff recommendations pertaining to the Local Structure Plan No.7, and to recommend that the Western Australian Planning Commission support the structure plan subject to modifications.

#### **GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

- 40. The Structure Plan No.7 was advertised in accordance with the *Planning and Development* (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.
- 41. Submissions were received from government agencies and members of the public. Submissions have been provided to the Councillors as an original and as summarised in the attached Schedule of Submissions.

42. Commentary on the submissions has been provided in this report item and in the attached Schedule of Submissions.

#### STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

- 43. Local Structure Plans undergo a statutory process in accordance with Schedule 2, Part 4 of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.*
- 44. Schedule 2, Part 4, clause 19 requires the local government to consider the submissions made within the period specified in the notice advertising the structure plan.
- 45. Schedule 2, Part 4, clause 20 requires the local government to prepare a report to the Western Australian Planning Commission, including a recommendation on whether the proposed structure plan should be approved by the Commission.
- 46. Voting requirement for this item is **SIMPLE MAJORITY**

#### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 47. The following applicable policies have been considered during the assessment of the structure plan:
  - a) Draft Government Sewerage Policy; and
  - b) State Planning Policy 3.7 Planning in Bushfire Prone Areas;

#### Draft Government Sewerage Policy

- 48. This policy requires all subdivision and development to be connected to reticulated sewerage unless exemptions of the policy apply.
- 49. As the subject land is zoned 'Rural Residential' with a minimum lot size of 1ha, an exemption applies in accordance with provision 6.2 (1).

#### State Planning Policy 3.7 Planning in Bushfire Prone Areas

- 50. The publicly released Bushfire Prone Area Mapping (DFES, 2017) shows that the subject land is located within a Bushfire Prone Area (situated within 100m of >1 ha of bushfire prone vegetation).
- 51. An assessment of bushfire criteria, submitted as an appendix to the structure plan, confirms that subdivision and development may occur in accordance with the Commission's Guidelines for Planning in Bushfire Prone Areas.

#### **RISK IDENTIFICATION & MITIGATION**

52. The risk identification and categorisation relies on the City's Enterprise Risk & Opportunity Management Framework.

|   |          |       | Analysis |   |
|---|----------|-------|----------|---|
| Reputation.<br>The proposal may not be<br>accepted by the Western<br>Australian Planning<br>Commission or the Minister<br>for Planning. | Possible | Minor | Low      | If the Structure Plan is not<br>supported by the WAPC the City<br>may be required to make<br>modifications. |

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

53. If the local government does not provide a recommendation and report on the structure plan, to the Commission, the Commission may take reasonable steps to obtain the services or information on its own behalf. All costs incurred by the Commission may, with the approval of the Minister, be recovered from the local government as a debt due to the Commission.

#### LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

54. There are no legal implications directly relating to this item.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 55. Measures have been recommended to:
  - a) Exclude development from environmentally sensitive areas;
  - b) Protect existing vegetation; and
  - c) Plant trees for screening.

#### ALTERNATE OPTIONS

- 56. Council may consider alternate options in relation to the structure plan, including;
  - a) Recommend, with justification, that the Western Australian Planning Commission not approve the proposed structure plan; or
  - b) Recommend that the Western Australian Planning Commission approve the proposed structure plan without modification; or
  - c) Recommend that the Western Australian Planning Commission approve the proposed structure plan subject to additional modifications.

#### CONCLUSION

- 57. The structure plan proposes Rural Residential lots with a minimum lot size of 1ha.
- 58. The structure plan was advertised and provisions have subsequently been recommended to address issues raised.
- 59. Council is requested to agree to recommend that the Western Australian Planning Commission approve the structure plan subject to modifications.

| Consulted References       | :   | <ol> <li>Local Planning Scheme No.1: Albany Speedway Noise Special<br/>Control Area.</li> <li>Local Planning Strategy 2010;</li> <li>Draft Government Sewerage Policy;</li> <li>State Planning Policy 3.7 Planning in Bushfire Prone Areas.</li> </ol> |
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| File Number (Name of Ward) | :   | LSP7 (Vancouver Ward)  |
| Previous Reference         | ••• | Nil  |

# DIS139: COUNCIL POLICY - MAINTENANCE OF WATERCOURSES AND DRAINAGE CHANNELS

| Land Description      | : City of Albany   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Proponent / Owner     | : City of Albany   |
| Attachments           | : Draft Council Policy - Maintenance of Watercourses and<br>Drainage |
| Report Prepared By    | : Manager City Engineering (D King)                                  |
| Responsible Officers: | : Executive Director Infrastructure & Environment (M Thomson)        |

#### STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

- 1. This item relates to the following elements of the City of Albany Strategic Community Plan or Corporate Business Plan informing plans or strategies:
  - Theme: Clean Green and Sustainable.
  - Objective: To Build, maintain and renew city assets sustainably
  - **Community Priority:** Design construct and maintain infrastructure cost effectively in a manner that maximises it's life, capacity and function.

#### In Brief:

- This policy recognises that watercourses, drainage channels and their associated vegetation should be left as undisturbed as possible, unless extraordinary circumstances apply.
- The City recognises that there are instances in which the condition of watercourses may deteriorate as a result of erosion and/or sedimentation, overgrowth with weeds or dumping or accumulation of rubbish. In such cases, it is recognised that maintenance and/or rehabilitation of these waterways may be required.

#### RECOMMENDATION

#### DIS139: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION VOTING REQUIREMENT: SIMPLE MAJORITY

THAT the Policy for Maintenance of Watercourse and Drainage Channels be ADOPTED.

#### DIS139: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: COUNCILLOR HAMMOND SECONDED: COUNCILLOR MOIR

THAT the Responsible Officer Recommendation be ADOPTED.

CARRIED 10-0

#### DIS139: RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Policy for Maintenance of Watercourse and Drainage Channels be ADOPTED.

#### BACKGROUND

2. Albany townsite was developed over a number of decades when open drainage was accepted as suitable infrastructure. As community expectations change, some areas of Albany have been upgraded with kerb and pipe drainage systems.

- 3. However, there are a number of instances where drainage channels exist. Sometimes these channels exist as open drains alongside a roadway but more significantly, larger capacity trunk drains exist to convey stormwater to a natural watercourse.
- 4. The City of Albany has a number of natural watercourses, the most significant example of this is the Yakamia Creek. The definition of a watercourse is 'A stream of water whether perennial or intermittent, flowing in a depression of a natural channel or a natural channel artificially improved or in an artificial channel, which has changed the course of the stream.'
- 5. Although a number of the above drains and channels sit within City of Albany-controlled land, there are many instances where they sit in private ownership.
- 6. There is no current policy to guide officers in the decision-making on maintenance of drainage channels and watercourse in private or City ownership.

#### DISCUSSION

- 7. The objective of the policy is to define Council's obligations and policy regarding the maintenance, improvements and rehabilitation of watercourses including drainage reserves and channels.
- 8. The policy makes statements on maintenance and improvement issues regarding drainage easements and natural watercourses.

#### **GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

- 9. Formal advertising of the proposed policy via newspapers has been undertaken from 12 July 2018 giving details of:-
  - Where the draft policy can be inspected;
  - The subject and nature of the draft policy; and
  - In what form and during what period (30 days which exceeds the 21 minimum requirement).
- 10. Four (4) submissions were received and the key points have been tabled below and include a response. Full submissions will be made available to Council under separate cover.

| Comment  | Officers Response  |
|--|--|
| Drainage maintenance request on a City of Albany owned waterway on an annual basis.                        | The City of Albany maintenance teams conduct both periodic and<br>reactionary drain maintenance. Specific annual attention falls<br>outside of the scheduled maintenance service level at this time. |
|  | Customer advised to submit a Customer Service Request when<br>the drain requires clearing and this will be attended to on an as<br>required basis.   |
| Incoming easements to private property should be extended and maintained to the creek line                 | The City of Albany draft policy states that the City will maintains drains and watercourses within easements.  |
|  | Where easements are not connected to a natural low/soak/watercourse or pond the City would seek to take an easement.   |
|  | In this instance, the easement connects to a natural soak/pond<br>and does the not contribute any additional stormwater runoff to<br>that soak.  |
|  | As such the City would not seek to obtain an easement to drain the private soak/pond   |
| Development of Yakamia creek to incorporate staggered silt ponds or the similar prior to Lower King Bridge | Yakamia creek runs through primarily private land that is zoned agricultural.  |
|  | Development of Yakamia creek through the Private property is<br>cost prohibitive at this time and not appropriate or aligned with the<br>current level of urban development along the creek.         |

| Multiple Comments with regards to set policy around<br>environmental considerations to maintains of drains and<br>natural waterways | This draft policy seeks to provide guidance on <u>when</u> the City of Albany should consider use of funds to carry out works. It does not seek to identify <u>how</u> or set guidelines on education of private landowners. |
|---|--|
|   | Identification of maintenance policies shall be addressed in the<br>City of Albany's Environmental Code of Conduct and State<br>department guidelines.   |
| Recommendation to include DWER guidelines and policy's as associated documents  | Accepted and included as Amended version 0.2   |

#### STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

11. There are no statutory implications relating to resolving to advertise the proposed Policy.

#### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

12. The proposed policy aims to provide officers with guidance on decision-making with regard to maintenance and improvements of drainage channels and natural watercourses.

#### **RISK IDENTIFICATION & MITIGATION**

13. The risk identification and categorisation relies on the City's Enterprise Risk and Opportunity Management Framework.

| Risk  | Likelihood | Consequence | Risk<br>Analysis | Mitigation  |
|---|------------|-------------|------------------|---|
| <b>Reputation</b><br><b>Risk:</b> Policy position may have an<br>impact on property owners that<br>have private drainage channels or<br>watercourses. | Possible   | Moderate    | Medium           | Advertising the proposed policy,<br>has been undertaken to manage<br>expectation. |

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

14. Minimal advertising costs already budgeted.

#### LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

15. There are no legal implications relating to resolving to advertise the proposed Policy.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

16. Nil

#### ALTERNATE OPTIONS

- 17. Council has the following alternate options in relation to this item, which are:-
  - Not to proceed with adopting the policy.
  - Adopt previous version 1.0 of the policy

#### CONCLUSION

18. The proposed policy seeks to provide guidance and clarification on the application of City funds to maintain and improve drainage channels and natural watercourses.

| Consulted References       | : | Local Government Act 1995 |
|----------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| File Number (Name of Ward) | : | EM.PLA.26 (All Wards)     |
| Previous Reference         | : | DIS099 (OCM June 2018)    |

# DIS140: COUNCIL POLICY – ADVERTISING AND GUIDANCE SIGNAGE ON PUBLIC LAND AND ROAD RESERVE

| Land Description      | : City of Albany   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Proponent / Owner     | : City of Albany   |
| Attachments           | <ul> <li>1. Draft Council Policy – Advertising and Guidance Signage<br/>on Public Land and Road Reserve Version 0.3</li> </ul> |
|                       | <ol> <li>Service Information and Tourist Signs Policy Version 3.0</li> <li>Signs on Public Land Information Sheet</li> </ol>   |
| Report Prepared By    | : Manager City Engineering (D King)  |
| Responsible Officers: | : Executive Director Infrastructure & Environment (M Thomson)  |

#### STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

- 1. This item relates to the following elements of the City of Albany Strategic Community Plan or Corporate Business Plan informing plans or strategies:
  - Theme: Clean Green and Sustainable.
  - **Objective:** To Build, maintain and renew city assets sustainably
  - **Community Priority:** Design construct and maintain infrastructure cost effectively in a manner that maximises its life, capacity and function.

#### In Brief:

- This policy seeks to provide guidance to the public (in particular the visiting public) in locating community services and commercial tourism-related facilities within the City of Albany through clear and uniform information.
- The policy enables authorised people to undertake compliance and enforcement functions under local laws and legislation in a manner that is consistent with this signage policy.

#### RECOMMENDATION

DIS140: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION VOTING REQUIREMENT: SIMPLE MAJORITY

THAT the proposed Advertising and Guidance Signage on Public Land and Road Reserves Policy be ADOPTED, and the current Services *Information and Tourist Signs Policy* be RESCINDED.

DIS140: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: COUNCILLOR TERRY SECONDED: COUNCILLOR STEPHENS

THAT the Responsible Officer Recommendation be ADOPTED.

CARRIED 7-3

#### Record of Vote:

Against: Councillors Goode, Stocks and Hammond.

DIS140: RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

THAT the proposed Advertising and Guidance Signage on Public Land and Road Reserves Policy be ADOPTED, and the current Services *Information and Tourist Signs Policy* be RESCINDED.

#### BACKGROUND

- 2. Current related policy and associated information sheets refer only to Tourist Signs (brown background and white lettering) and Service Signs (blue background and white lettering).
- 3. There is no current policy to guide officers in the decision making of approval of advertising and guidance signage on public land or road reserves, which includes numerous other types over and above the Tourist and Service signage.

#### DISCUSSION

- 4. The draft policy proposes alterations to the current guidelines for Service Signage. The draft policy identifies service facilities which are applicable for Service Signage. The list has been made finite which reduces ambiguity as to the suitability of a Service facility.
- 5. Service signage across the City of Albany urban areas has unintentionally become a form of advertising, with numerous accommodation facilities utilising business names. This is leading to a growing issue of signage clutter, particularly in accommodation-rich areas.
- 6. For urban areas, it is considered that visitors staying at general accommodation facilities will have pre-booked and should use modern guidance technologies, as well as more traditional methods of wayfinding.
- 7. To address point 5 and 6 above, for urban areas, the policy does not allow for general accommodation signage and prohibits the display of business naming on the sign.
- 8. It is considered that for existing signage, the City of Albany will leave it in place until such time as the signs require maintenance and or become unsightly with vandalism or wear and tear.
- 9. Under section 3 of The Activities on Thoroughfare Public Places Trading Local Law 2011 the Local Government may permit certain signage. The draft policy provides guidance to officers of the types of signage permitted within the provision of this law.
- 10. Permitted portable signs under the policy include:
  - a. Temporary Community Advertising Signs
  - b. Service Club Signs
  - c. Commercial Temporary Signage (e.g. Sandwich Boards Signage)
  - d. Open House and Garage Sale Signs
- 11. Permitted advertising signs under the policy include:
  - a. Land Estate Development Signs
  - b. Commercial and Industrial Estate Signs
  - c. Bus Shelter Advertising and Roadside Seat Advertising.

#### **GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

- 12. Formal advertising of the proposed policy via newspapers has been undertaken from 11 October 2018, giving details of:-
  - Where the draft policy can be inspected;
  - The subject and nature of the draft policy; and
  - In what form and during what period (30 days which exceeds the 21 minimum requirement).
- 13. One (1) submission was received and the key points have been tabled below and include a response. A full copy of the submissions will be made available to Council under separate cover.

| Comment   | Officers Response   |
|---|---|
| Request for developments such as health precincts to be included in the signage policy. | Service signage is aimed as visitors and not the local public.<br>Government facilities such as Hospitals are included in the<br>permitted list for advertising signage. This is because<br>Government Hospitals have emergency departments that<br>would be frequently used by visitors (ie. non local).<br>It is the officer position that other types of heath precincts,<br>and in particular private operations, would not attract a<br>significant portion of visitors. |

#### STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

14. Nil.

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

15. The proposed policy aims to provide officers with guidance on decision-making with regard to advertising and guidance signage on public land and road reserves.

#### **RISK IDENTIFICATION & MITIGATION**

16. The risk identification and categorisation relies on the City's Enterprise Risk and Opportunity Management Framework.

| Risk   | Likelihood | Consequence | Risk<br>Analysis | Mitigation   |
|--|------------|-------------|------------------|--|
| <b>Reputation</b><br><b>Risk:</b> Policy position may have<br>an impact on businesses which  | Possible   | Moderate    | Medium           | Advertising the proposed policy,<br>has been undertaken to manage<br>expectation.  |
| are using signage that does not<br>conform to the policy.  |            |             |                  | Where existing signage that is non-<br>conforming exists in a permanent<br>state, it is proposed that this<br>signage is not removed until it<br>requires replacement or deemed to |
| <b>Risk:</b> Not removing non-<br>conforming permanent signage<br>(such as service signage for<br>accommodation that includes<br>business name) may cause<br>unrest to other business<br>owners that otherwise would<br>have had similar signage<br>installed. | Possible   | Moderate    | Medium           | require maintenance.<br>Advertising the proposed policy,<br>has been undertaken to manage<br>expectation.  |
| <b>Opportunity:</b> Increase consistency and equity with regard to decision-making.  |            |             |                  |  |

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

17. Nil.

#### LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

18. Nil.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS**

19. Nil.

#### ALTERNATE OPTIONS

- 20. Council has the following alternate options in relation to this item, which are:-
  - Not to proceed with adopting the policy.
  - Proceed with the policy and direct officers to regulate all existing signage to conform to the new policy.

#### CONCLUSION

21. The proposed policy seeks to provide guidance to the public (in particular the visiting public) in locating community services and commercial tourism-related facilities within the City of Albany through clear and uniform information.

| Consulted References       | :   | <ul> <li>Local Government Act 1995</li> <li>Activities on Thoroughfares and Public Places and Trading<br/>Local Law 2011</li> <li>Signs Local Law 2006 (As Amended)</li> </ul> |  |
|----------------------------|-----|--|--|
| File Number (Name of Ward) | :   | EM.PLA.26 (All Wards)  |  |
| Previous Reference         | ••• | Nil  |  |

## DIS141: LOCAL PLANNING SCHEME AMENDMENT NO.33 – LOT 1 FRENCHMAN BAY ROAD, LITTLE GROVE.

| Land Description     | : Lot 1 Frenchman Bay Road, Little Grove                  |
|----------------------|---|
| Proponent / Owner    | : Ayton Baesjou   |
| Business Entity Name | : C Wallrodt  |
| Attachments          | : 1. Local Planning Scheme Amendment No. 33               |
|                      | 2. Schedule of Submissions                                |
| Report Prepared by   | : Senior Planning Officer – Strategic Planning (A Nicoll) |
| Responsible Officer  | : Executive Director Development Services (P Camins)      |

#### STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

- 1. Council is required to exercise its quasi-judicial function in this matter.
- 2. The application for consideration proposes an amendment to the City's *Local Planning Scheme No.1.* The amendment proposes to enable the development of grouped and multiple housing at a portion of Lot 1 Frenchman Bay Road, Little Grove (vacant land adjacent to local shop).
- 3. In making a decision on the proposed amendment, the Council is obliged to draw conclusion from its adopted *Albany Local Planning Strategy 2010, Activities Centre Planning Strategy (2010)* and *Community Strategic Plan Albany 2030.* The amendment complies with strategic planning for the following reasons:
  - a) The Albany Local Planning Strategy 2010 recommends development of the subject land as a local centre. Shops, offices and residential development is encouraged in local centres to serve the local community.
  - b) The Activities Centre Planning Strategy (2010) encourages the development of localserving uses at an appropriate scale within local activity centres. Such uses could include local offices and residential development.
  - c) The Albany Community Strategic Plan Albany 2030 recommends a proactive planning service that supports sustainable growth while reflecting our local character and heritage (Community Priority: 5.1.2).

#### Maps and Diagrams:



#### In Brief:

- The subject land is zoned 'Local Centre' under Local Planning Scheme No.1.
- Council previously initiated and then advertised the scheme amendment. A total of four submissions were received. No major issues were raised as a result of submissions.
- Council is requested to finally adopt the Scheme Amendment No. 33, which proposes to:
  - o Designate a portion of Lot 1 as an 'Additional Use' site; and
  - Provide the ability to apply for group and multiple dwellings, in addition to currently permitted commercial land uses.
- City planning staff support the local planning scheme amendment, as it is consistent with the strategic direction set in the Albany Local Planning Strategy 2010, Activities Centre Planning Strategy (2010) and Albany Community Strategic Plan Albany 2030.
- Council is requested to consider submissions and to recommend that the Western Australian Planning Commission support the amendment without any modifications.

#### RECOMMENDATION

#### DIS141: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION VOTING REQUIREMENT: SIMPLE MAJORITY

THAT Council, pursuant to section 75 of the *Planning and Development Act 2005* and Part 5, s.35 of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*, resolves to:

- 1. SUPPORT Amendment No. 33 to amend City of Albany *Local Planning Scheme No. 1* by:
  - a) Incorporating portion of Lot 1, Frenchman Bay Road within 'Additional Use' site no. 33;
  - b) Amending 'Schedule 2 Additional Uses (CL 4.5) No. AU 33' by including Lot 1 within the second column under 'Description of Land';
  - c) Amending 'Schedule 2 Additional Uses (CL 4.5) No. AU 33' Condition II within the fourth column under 'Conditions' by replacing the R 30 code with the R 40 code; and
  - d) Amending the Scheme Maps accordingly.
- 2. Forward amendment documentation and submissions to the Western Australian Planning Commission with a request that the Hon. Minister for Planning grant approval to the amendment and its gazettal without modifications.
- 3. Advise the applicant/owner and those who lodged a submission of the Council decision accordingly.

Note: The amendment is a 'Standard' amendment under the provisions of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 for the following reasons:

- The amendment is consistent with the Albany Local Planning Strategy, which sets a strategic objective to support urban infill development based on compatibility of land uses and infrastructure capacity;
- The amendment would have minimal impact on land in the scheme area that is not the subject of the amendment; and
- The amendment does not result in any significant environmental, social, economic or governance impact on land in the scheme area.

#### **DIS141: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

MOVED: MAYOR WELLINGTON SECONDED: COUNCILLOR STEPHENS

THAT the Responsible Officer Recommendation be ADOPTED.

CARRIED 10-0

#### DIS141: RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council, pursuant to section 75 of the *Planning and Development Act 2005* and Part 5, s.35 of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*, resolves to:

- 1. SUPPORT Amendment No. 33 to amend City of Albany *Local Planning Scheme No. 1* by:
  - a) Incorporating portion of Lot 1, Frenchman Bay Road within 'Additional Use' site no. 33;
  - b) Amending 'Schedule 2 Additional Uses (CL 4.5) No. AU 33' by including Lot 1 within the second column under 'Description of Land';
  - c) Amending 'Schedule 2 Additional Uses (CL 4.5) No. AU 33' Condition II within the fourth column under 'Conditions' by replacing the R 30 code with the R 40 code; and
  - d) Amending the Scheme Maps accordingly.
- 2. Forward amendment documentation and submissions to the Western Australian Planning Commission with a request that the Hon. Minister for Planning grant approval to the amendment and its gazettal - without modifications.
- 3. Advise the applicant/owner and those who lodged a submission of the Council decision accordingly.

Note: The amendment is a 'Standard' amendment under the provisions of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 for the following reasons:

- The amendment is consistent with the Albany Local Planning Strategy, which sets a strategic objective to support urban infill development based on compatibility of land uses and infrastructure capacity;
- The amendment would have minimal impact on land in the scheme area that is not the subject of the amendment; and
- The amendment does not result in any significant environmental, social, economic or governance impact on land in the scheme area.

#### BACKGROUND

- 4. Local Planning Scheme No. 1 was gazetted on 28 April 2014 and consists of the Scheme Text and the Scheme Maps. The Scheme divides the Local Government district into zones to identify areas for particular uses and identifies land reserved for public purposes. Most importantly, the Scheme controls the types of uses and development allowed in different zones.
- 5. Lot 1 Frenchman Bay Road, Little Grove is zoned 'Local Centre' under *Local Planning Scheme No.1.*
- 6. The subject Lot is 3,197m<sup>2</sup> in area and approximately 2,065m<sup>2</sup> or 65% of the site has been developed with a service station, convenience and liquor store, associated office space, storage, car parking and loading/service area.
- 7. The balance of the site is 1,132m<sup>2</sup> and is currently vacant. The owner of the property requests the flexibility to develop residential units and/or a mixture of residential and commercial/office on the site.
- 8. A scheme amendment has recently been adopted to designate the adjacent Lot 312 as an 'Additional Uses' site, to allow for the option of developing residential and/or

commercial development. The owner of Lot 1 wishes to extend the 'Additional Uses' site over the vacant portion of their property, in order to also allow for the option of residential/commercial development.

- 9. The Council resolved in August 2018 to advertise Amendment No.33. Prior to advertising, the amendment was referred to the Environmental Protection Authority, where it was determined that the scheme amendment is unlikely to have a significant effect on the environment and does not warrant formal assessment under Part IV of the EP Act.
- 10. Following notice from the EPA, the amendment was advertised in accordance with the requirements of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.* At the close of advertising, four submissions were received. No vital issues were raised as a result of the submissions received.

#### DISCUSSION

- 11. In order to provide for the flexibility to develop residential and/or commercial development on the vacant portion of Lot 1, it is proposed to incorporate the lot with an 'Additional Uses' site classification.
- 12. This means that the site can be developed for commercial uses in accordance with the underlying 'Local Centre' zone and residential uses under the 'Additional Use' provisions.
- 13. The proponent's preference at this stage is to develop up to four residential units on the site, which would also have potential to incorporate suitable commercial use such as a small scale office.
- 14. It is recommended that an R40 density code apply in order to allow greater scope for the possibility of commercial and residential development.
- 15. The City's planning Staff support the proposed local planning scheme amendment, as it is consistent with the *Activity Centres Planning Strategy (2010)* and will facilitate the development of the land, while also retaining the ability for commercial land uses to be developed as demand requires.

#### **GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

- 16. The Amendment No.33 was advertised in accordance with the requirements of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.*
- 17. Four submissions were received from agencies. A 'Schedule of Submissions' has been developed to summarize comments. A copy of each submission is also available (see attachments). No modifications are recommended to address comments.

#### STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

- 18. Scheme amendments undergo a statutory process in accordance with the *Planning and Development Act 2005* and *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.*
- 19. Section 75 of the *Planning and Development Act 2005* allows a local government authority to amend its local planning scheme with the approval of the Minister for Planning.
- 20. Regulation 50(3) of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015* allows Council to support a standard amendment, with or without modification.
- 21. Voting requirement for this item is **SIMPLE MAJORITY**

#### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

22. There are no policy implications relating to the proposed amendment. While not specifically applicable to this proposal, the amendment is attentive to the *State Planning Policy 4.2, Activity Centres for Perth and Peel.* This policy states:

Activity centres are community focal points. They include activities such as commercial, retail, <u>higher density housing</u>, entertainment, tourism, civic/community, higher education, and medical services.

#### **RISK IDENTIFICATION & MITIGATION**

23. The risk identification and categorisation relies on the City's <u>Enterprise Risk &</u> <u>Opportunity Management Framework</u>.

| Risk   | Likelihood | Consequence | Risk<br>Analysis | Mitigation  |
|--|------------|-------------|------------------|---|
| <b>Reputation.</b><br>The proposal may not be<br>accepted by the Western<br>Australian Planning<br>Commission or the Minister<br>for Planning. | Possible   | Minor       | Low              | If not supported by the<br>WAPC or Minister, the<br>amendment will not be<br>progressed and the City<br>may be required to make<br>modifications. |
| <b>Opportunity:</b> Increase opportunity for development and ultimately an active local centre.  |            |             |                  |   |

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

24. There are no financial implications relating to the proposal to amend the *Local Planning Scheme No.1.* 

#### LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

25. There are no legal implications directly relating to this item.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 26. There are no environmental implications relating to the proposal to amend the *Local Planning Scheme No.1.*
- 27. As per Section 48(A) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*, the proposal was referred to the Environmental Protection Authority and environmental assessment was not deemed necessary.

#### ALTERNATE OPTIONS

- 28. Council may consider alternate options in relation to this item, such as:
  - To resolve to support the scheme amendment with modification(s); or
  - To resolve not to support the scheme amendment and advise the Western Australian Planning Commission, in writing, of the reasons for doing so.

#### CONCLUSION

- 29. This scheme amendment proposes to extend the 'Additional Use' designation applying to Lot 312, within the Little Grove Local Centre zone, to the vacant portion of Lot 1, which is also zoned 'Local Centre'.
- 30. The proposal provides an opportunity to develop medium density housing in close proximity to a Local Centre.
- 31. An R40 density code is recommended to provide greater scope for mixed use development (commercial and residential).
- 32. The proposed Amendment No. 33 is consistent with the current strategic direction set within the Albany Local Planning Strategy (2010), the Activity Centres Planning Strategy (2010) and objectives for activity centres identified in the State Planning Policy 4.2, Activity Centres for Perth and Peel.
- 33. The amendment was advertised, with no vital issues raised.
- 34. It is recommended that Council adopt Local Planning Scheme Amendment No. 33, without modification.

**Consulted References** : 1. Local Planning Scheme No. 1

|                            |   | <ol> <li>Albany Local Planning Strategy (2010)</li> <li>Activity Centres Planning Strategy (2010)</li> <li>State Planning Policy 4.2, Activity Centres for<br/>Perth and Peel</li> </ol> |
|----------------------------|---|--|
| File Number (Name of Ward) | : | LAMD33 (Vancouver Ward)  |
| Previous Reference         | : | DIS117 - 28 August 2018  |

# DIS142: AWARD OF TENDER C18015 FOR ALAC RE-ROOF OF COURT BUILDING

| Proponent / Owner     | : | City of Albany  |
|-----------------------|---|---|
| Report Prepared By    | : | Team Leader Asset Management (B Aris)                         |
| Responsible Officers: | : | Executive Director Infrastructure & Environment – (M Thomson) |

Note: A Confidential Briefing Note has been distributed under separate cover in accordance with section 5.23 of the Local Government Act 1995(2)(e)(iii), being a matter that if disclosed, would reveal information about the commercial affairs of a person other than the Local Government.

#### STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

- 1. This item relates to the following elements of the City of Albany Strategic Community Plan or Corporate Business Plan informing plans or strategies:
  - Theme: 3. Clean, Green & Sustainable
  - **Objective:** 3.2 To build, maintain and renew city assets sustainably
  - **Community Priority:** 3.2.1 Deliver environmentally & financial sustainable long term planning for infrastructure via a forward capital works program that meets the needs of our community

#### In Brief:

- Council approval is sought to appoint preferred contractors to replace the roof on the old sport stadium at the Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre.
- Contract to commence on the date of award. With scaffolding to be completed prior to the Christmas break with the commencement of roof from Monday 7 January 2019. Project completion Friday 22 February 2019.

#### RECOMMENDATION

#### DIS142: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION VOTING REQUIREMENT: SIMPLE MAJORITY

THAT Council:

- 1. ACCEPT the tender from Smith Constructions and award Contract C18015 ALAC Re-Roof of Court Building excluding south elevation eaves replacement.
- 2. AUTHORISE over budget expenditure as described in the confidential report and address in the mid-year budget review.

DIS142: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: COUNCILLOR HAMMOND SECONDED: MAYOR WELLINGTON

THAT the Responsible Officer Recommendation be ADOPTED.

CARRIED 10-0

#### DIS142: RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council:

- 1. ACCEPT the tender from Smith Constructions and award Contract C18015 ALAC Re-Roof of Court Building excluding south elevation eaves replacement.
- 2. AUTHORISE over budget expenditure as described in the confidential report and address in the mid-year budget review.

#### BACKGROUND

- 2. The old sport stadium roof has localised defects, compromising the structural integrity and has reached the end of its life. Maintenance expenditure is increasing and the level of service to the community will decline if the roof is not replaced at this time.
- 3. The proposed works shall include replacing the roof cladding, capping and flashings. Replace gutter and deteriorating purlin on box gutter elevations. Install roof safety access system and removal of waste to Hanrahan Waste Facility.

#### DISCUSSION

- 4. A total number of eighteen (18) documents were issued by the City of Albany.
- 5. Seven (7) completed tender documents were submitted on or before the stipulated closing date and time.
- 6. The tenders were evaluated using the weighted attributed methodology. This method scores the evaluation criteria and weights their importance to determine an overall point score for each tender. The criteria are tabled below:-

| Criteria                        | % Weight |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Cost                            | 50       |
| Relevant Experience             | 20       |
| Demonstrated Understanding      | 25       |
| Corporate Social Responsibility | 5        |
| Total                           | 100%     |

7. The following table summarises the tenderers and overall evaluation score.

| Tender              | Total Evaluation Score |
|---------------------|------------------------|
| Smith Constructions | 816.69                 |
| Tenderer B          | 812.50                 |
| Tenderer C          | 779.67                 |
| Tenderer D          | 735.63                 |
| Tenderer E          | 726.72                 |
| Tenderer F          | 363.67                 |
| Tenderer G          | 277.50                 |

#### **GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

 A request for tender was published in the West Australian on 17 October 2018 and the Albany Weekender on 18 October 2018. The tender closed at 2pm on Wednesday 7 November 2018.

#### STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

- 9. Regulation 11 of the Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996 (Regulations) requires Council to publicly tender if the contract is, or is expected to be, more, or worth more, than \$150,000.00.
- 10. Regulation 18 of the Regulations outlines a number of requirements relating to choice of tender. Council is to decide which of the acceptable tenders is the most advantageous to Council. It may also decline to accept any tender.

11. Regulation 19 of the Regulations requires Council to advise each tenderer in writing the result of Council's decision.

#### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

12. Councils Purchasing Policy (Tenders & Quotes) and Buy Local Policy (Regional Price Preference) are applicable to this item.

#### **RISK IDENTIFICATION & MITIGATION**

13. The risk identification and categorisation relies on the City's Enterprise Risk and Opportunity Management Framework.

| Risk  | Likelihood | Consequence | Risk<br>Analysis | Mitigation  |
|---|------------|-------------|------------------|---|
| People Health & Safety<br>Roof failure causes injury to<br>person or property | Unlikely   | Severe      | High             | Appropriate condition intervention<br>in capital works planning   |
| Reputation<br>Roof leaks cause interruption<br>to the community               | Likely     | Moderate    | High             | Roof replacement will provide a safe environment for users  |
| Finance<br>Non-compliance with contract                                       | Unlikely   | Moderate    | Medium           | Standard general conditions of<br>contract protect the City by<br>allowing for contractual remedies<br>on the basis of failure to execute<br>works in accordance with contract. |

#### Opportunity

By replacing the roof it has provided an opportunity to include translucent sheeting like on the design of the new stadium roof. This will reduce the need for lighting at times during the day, further reducing the energy costs of the building.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 14. The value of this tender is in excess of the allocated budget and therefore the approval is referred to Council for consideration of budget review.
- 15. The preferred tender price exceeds the budget as per the confidential report.
- 16. The shortfall will be addressed in the mid-year budget review.

#### LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

17. Nil

#### ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

18. Nil

#### ALTERNATE OPTIONS

19. Council may accept or reject tenders as submitted.

#### CONCLUSION

20. On reviewing the submissions, the evaluation team assessed Smith Constructions as being the most suitable tenderer across the evaluation criteria. Smith Construction is recommended to be awarded the ALAC Re-Roof of Court Building.

| Consulted References       | : | <ul> <li>Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations<br/>1995</li> <li>Council Policy – Purchasing Policy (Tenders &amp; Quotes)</li> <li>Council Policy – Buy Local Policy (Regional Price<br/>Preference)</li> </ul> |  |
|----------------------------|---|---|--|
| File Number (Name of Ward) | : | C18015 (Frederickstown Ward)  |  |
| Previous Reference         | : | Not Applicable  |  |

## **DIS143: PLANNING AND BUILDING REPORTS NOVEMBER 2018**

| Proponent / Owner     | : City of Albany.  |
|-----------------------|--|
| Attachments           | : Planning and Building Reports November 2018            |
| Report Prepared By    | : Administration Officer – Planning (J Ferrell)          |
|                       | Administration Officer – Development Services (Z Sewell) |
| Responsible Officers: | : Executive Director Development Services (P Camins)     |
|                       |  |

RECOMMENDATION

#### DIS143: RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION VOTING REQUIREMENT: SIMPLE MAJORITY

THAT Council NOTE the Planning and Building Reports for November 2018.

## DIS144: AWARD OF TENDER C18023 FOR CIVIL WORKS · CENTENNIAL PARK CENTRAL PRECINCT

| Proponent / Owner     | : City of Albany   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Report Prepared By    | : Manager City Engineering (D King)                                |
| Responsible Officers: | : Executive Director Infrastructure & Environment –<br>(M Thomson) |

Note: A Confidential Briefing Note has been distributed under separate cover in accordance with section 5.23 of the Local Government Act 1995(2)(e)(iii), being a matter that if disclosed, would reveal information about the commercial affairs of a person other than the Local Government.

#### STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

- 1. This item relates to the following elements of the City of Albany Strategic Community Plan or Corporate Business Plan informing plans or strategies:
  - Theme: 3. Clean, Green & Sustainable
  - Objective: 3.2 To build, maintain and renew city assets sustainably
  - **Community Priority:** 3.2.1 Deliver environmentally & financial sustainable long term planning for infrastructure via a forward capital works program that meets the needs of our community

#### In Brief:

- Council approval is sought to appoint a preferred contractor to complete the Civil Component of Centennial Park Central Precinct.
- Works form part of the State funded Stage 2 of Centennial Park Sporting Precinct (CPSP)
- Work are scheduled to commence late January 2019 with a construction timeframe of eight (8) weeks.

#### RECOMMENDATION

DIS144: RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION VOTING REQUIREMENT: SIMPLE MAJORITY

THAT Council ACCEPT the tender from Tricoast Civil and award Contract C18023 Civil Works – Centennial Park Central Precinct.

#### BACKGROUND

- 2. Stage 2 of CPSP includes remediation of the Central Precinct. This work is to include a redesign of the Central Lakes by consolidation into a single waterbody in order to provide enhanced recreational space for the model yacht club, irrigation storage improvements and stormwater re-use.
- 3. Other features of the Central Precinct include the Promenade connection from Lockyer Avenue to Sanford Road and the increase in area available for event of turf based recreational activities to the East.

#### DISCUSSION

- 4. The tender for the Civil Works Centennial Park Central Precinct include demolition, lake construction and completion of the Promenade.
- 5. A breakdown of the project budget is included in the confidential briefing note associated with this report.
- 6. A total number of 19 documents were issued by the City of Albany.
- 7. Four (4) completed tender documents were submitted on or before the stipulated closing date and time.

8. The tenders were evaluated using the weighted attributed methodology. This method scores the evaluation criteria and weights their importance to determine an overall point score for each tender. The criteria are tabled below:-

| Criteria                        | % Weight |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Cost                            | 50       |
| Relevant Experience             | 20       |
| Demonstrated Understanding      | 25       |
| Corporate Social Responsibility | 5        |
| Total                           | 100%     |

9. The following table summarises the tenderers and overall evaluation score.

| Tender         | Total Evaluation Score |
|----------------|------------------------|
| Tricoast Civil | 655.46                 |
| Tenderer B     | 585.75                 |
| Tenderer C     | 448.80                 |
| Tenderer D     | 389.99                 |

#### **GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

10. A request for tender was published in the West Australian on Thursday 8 November 2018 and the Albany Weekender on Thursday 8 November 2018. The tender closed at 2pm on Wednesday 28 November 2018.

#### STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

- 11. Regulation 11 of the Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996 (Regulations) requires Council to publicly tender if the contract is, or is expected to be, more, or worth more, than \$150,000.00.
- 12. Regulation 18 of the Regulations outlines a number of requirements relating to choice of tender. Council is to decide which of the acceptable tenders is the most advantageous to Council. It may also decline to accept any tender.
- 13. Regulation 19 of the Regulations requires Council to advise each tenderer in writing the result of Council's decision.

#### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

14. Councils Purchasing Policy (Tenders & Quotes) and Buy Local Policy (Regional Price Preference) are applicable to this item.

#### **RISK IDENTIFICATION & MITIGATION**

15. The risk identification and categorisation relies on the City's Enterprise Risk and Opportunity Management Framework.

| Risk   | Likelihood | Consequence | Risk<br>Analysis | Mitigation  |
|--|------------|-------------|------------------|---|
| Finance<br>Non-compliance with contract  | Unlikely   | Moderate    | Medium           | Standard general conditions of<br>contract protect the City by<br>allowing for contractual remedies<br>on the basis of failure to execute<br>works in accordance with contract. |
| Works go over budget due to variations as a result of latent conditions                        | Unlikely   | Major       | Medium           | Detailed Pre-investigation works to<br>identify risks to project that have<br>been included as provisional sums<br>that form part of the contract.                              |
| <b>Opportunity</b> By carrying out Cir<br>functionality for irrigation, storm<br>competitions. |            |             |                  |   |

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 16. The value of this tender is in excess of the allocated budget and therefore the approval is referred to Council for consideration of budget review.
- 17. The preferred tender price exceeds the budget as per the confidential report.
- 18. The shortfall will be addressed in the mid-year budget review.

#### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

19. Nil

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS**

20. Nil

#### ALTERNATE OPTIONS

21. Council may accept or reject tenders as submitted.

#### CONCLUSION

22. On reviewing the submissions, the evaluation team assessed Tricoast Civil as being the most suitable tenderer across the evaluation criteria. Tricoast Civil is recommended to be awarded the Civil Works - Centennial Park Central Precinct contract.

| Consulted References       | : | <ul> <li>Local Government (Functions and General)<br/>Regulations 1995</li> <li>Council Policy – Purchasing Policy (Tenders &amp;<br/>Quotes)</li> <li>Council Policy – Buy Local Policy (Regional Price<br/>Preference)</li> </ul> |
|----------------------------|---|---|
| File Number (Name of Ward) | : | All   |
| Previous Reference         | : | Not Applicable  |

### BFAC007: RECEIVE THE CONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE BFAC MEETING JUNE 2018 AND NOTE UNCONFIRMED MINUTES NOVEMBER 2018

| Proponent / Owner     | : City of Albany.  |
|-----------------------|--|
| Attachments           | : Confirmed Minutes of the BFAC June 2018 and Unconfirmed<br>Minutes November 2018 |
| Report Prepared By    | : Administration Coordinator – Rangers (S Lees)                                    |
| Responsible Officers: | : Executive Director Development Services (P Camins)                               |

#### RECOMMENDATION

## BFAC007: RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION VOTING REQUIREMENT: SIMPLE MAJORITY

THAT:

- 1. The Confirmed Minutes of the Bush Fire Advisory Committee meeting held on 21 June 2018 be RECEIVED; and
- 2. The Unconfirmed Minutes of the Bush Fire Advisory Committee Meeting held on 19 November 2018 be NOTED.

- 14. NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF COUNCIL
- 15. MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN
- 16. **REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS Nil**
- 17. MEETING CLOSED TO PUBLIC
- 18. CLOSURE