



CITY OF VINCENT

MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting

19 November 2024

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**MINUTES OF CITY OF VINCENT
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AS E-MEETING AND AT THE ADMINISTRATION AND CIVIC CENTRE,
244 VINCENT STREET, LEEDERVILLE
ON TUESDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 2024 AT 6.00PM**

PRESENT:	Mayor Alison Xamon Cr Alex Castle Cr Suzanne Worner Cr Nicole Woolf Cr Jonathan Hallett Cr Ashley Wallace Cr Sophie Greer Cr Ashlee La Fontaine	Presiding Member North Ward North Ward North Ward South Ward South Ward South Ward South Ward
IN ATTENDANCE:	David MacLennan Peter Varris Rhys Taylor Jay Naidoo John Corbellini Lisa Williams Dale Morrissy Emma Simmons Wendy Barnard Joslin Colli	Chief Executive Officer Executive Director Infrastructure & Environment A/Executive Director Community & Business Services A/Executive Director Strategy & Development Director of Major Projects Executive Manager Communication & Engagement (left at 6.35pm after Item 11.6) Manager Community Facilities (left at 6.25pm after Item 11.5) Coordinator Corporate Strategy & Governance Mayor and Council Support Executive Manager Corporate Strategy & Governance

Public: Approximately three members of the public.

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Presiding Member, Mayor Alison Xamon declared the meeting open at 6.00pm and read the following Acknowledgement of Country statement:

“The City of Vincent would like to acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land, the Whadjuk people of the Noongar nation and pay our respects to Elders past and present, acknowledging that the City of Vincent has a role to play in working towards reconciliation and justice for First Nations people.”

2 APOLOGIES / MEMBERS ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr Ron Alexander is an apology for the meeting. Test

3 (A) PUBLIC QUESTION TIME AND RECEIVING OF PUBLIC STATEMENTS

The following questions and statements were received at the meeting. This is not a verbatim record of questions and statements made at the meeting.

3.1 Norelle O’Neille – Item 9.2

Her full statement can be heard [here](#).

The following questions were raised:

- What disincentives in the program are in place if an applicant does not save a significant tree or include plantings or other commitments to revegetation?
- Why are there no provisions for paying back the original fee, paying a fine and/or paying the cost for fast tracking the original application?
- Why aren’t the funds that are apparently available to support this plan instead used to employ someone to verify that development applications across the City of Vincent are being adhered to?

The Presiding Member, Alison Xamon, advised that Item 9.2 has been withdrawn by Administration.

3.2 Lesley Florey of Mt Hawthorn

Her full statement can be heard [here](#).

- Can the City of Vincent provide evidence of when I have previously asked all the questions raised in the October 2024 meeting?
- Is Western Power fully aware of the extent of the City’s stormwater problem?
- Is Western Power fully informed about the location of all stormwater infrastructure, including drainage capacity issues and flooding hotspots?
- Will the underground power lines be installed above or below the City’s stormwater pipes?
- How safe is the underground power in low lying areas where stormwater infrastructure is failing and deteriorating?
- How safe is underground power in areas with high water tables and old deteriorating stormwater pipes and joints, all of which are past their service life?

3.3 Dudley Maier of Highgate

Full statement can be heard [here](#).

The following statements were submitted prior to the Meeting.

Dudley Maier of Highgate - Item 9.2

1. Since the introduction of the GreenTrack fee reduction for Life Cycle Assessment Reports in November 2023 how many DAs have been charged the reduced amount?
2. At the October Council meeting I asked a question about the City’s current (as at October 2024) capacity to borrow funds. I sought an answer in dollar terms. The response was couched in terms of borrowing for the underground power project although this was not what I asked or intended. I am interested in the overall borrowing capacity of the City based on the WATC’s indicative borrowing calculator.

So my question is: What is the City’s overall current borrowing capacity, in dollar terms, based on the WATC’s indicative borrowing calculator?

3. At the October Council meeting I asked questions about an artwork that is to be installed in Leederville. The staff said that \$12,298 had been spent on transport and storage of the piece, and that the work may be installed in December.

However, monthly expenditure figure show that approximately \$19,043 had been spent on transport and storage up until 22 October. Why did the answer I was given only say that \$12,298 had been spent when the actual figure was over \$19,000?

Transport costs were first paid in December 2023 which indicates that the artwork had been constructed, but not installed, by that time. So far the artist has been paid \$56,000 for the artwork and project management. The initial indication when the artwork was approved was that the work would cost \$80,000, implying that the artist is still owed \$24,000. Has the artist been waiting for the final payment of \$24,000 because of the failure to install the work?

Are the delays in installation the artist's responsibility or have the final payments been held up because of delays outside their area of control?

Administrations' responses will be provided in the Agenda for the 10 December 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting.

There being no further speakers, Public Question Time closed at approximately 6.09pm.

(B) RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Dudley Maier of Highgate – Items 11.2 and 11.5

1. The City is still making regular payments to Axxx Cxxxx for 'artwork storage' and similar purposes for an artwork related to 'arts rebound Leederville'. How much has been spent in total on the transport and storage of the work? What is the physical nature of the work (e.g. metal sculpture)? How much longer is it anticipated that the City will need to pay for the storage of the works? Will the City need to pay for the transport of the works from storage to its final resting place? When is it anticipated that the artwork will be installed? Where will the art work be installed?

The City has spent a total of \$12,298 on transport and storage of the artwork. The commissioned piece is a free-standing lighting artwork, and the structure is made of metal. It is anticipated that the public artwork will be installed in December, pending confirmation from Water Corp and Western Power. The artwork will be installed within the median strip on Newcastle Street, near the intersection of Oxford Street in Leederville. There is no requirement for the City to pay for transport of the artwork to site for installation.

CORRECTION: The figure provided in the Agenda 19 November 2024 related to storage and transport from March 2024, this did not include the previous storage and transport from July 2023. Total cost to date \$24,413.73

Underground Power

2. Given that payments from owners, either those who pay up front or those who choose deferred payments, will be received at the end of August 2025, and that they are likely to exceed the amount that is initially paid to Western Power, when is it anticipated that the City will be required to start funding payments to Western Power from either loans or the use of Reserve funds (rather than from funds paid by owners)?

Payments to Western Power will commence in September 2025. Loans and reserve funds will be used to fund the 4-year payment option. If all ratepayers paid upfront, no loans would be required.

3. When the time comes to pay Western Power from either borrowed funds or from Reserves (i.e. the pre-payments from owners have been exhausted), if the interest rate payable on a loan from the WATC is lower than the interest that can be earned from investing reserve funds, will the City rely solely on borrowings (and not use the reserves), or will it remain with the proposal to borrow 50% of the cost of the project area?

The 4-year payment option will be funded by loans in the first instance up to a maximum of 50% based on borrowing capacity previously modelled. The City will only borrow to fund those who require the 4-year payment option.

4. If interest rates from investing reserve funds are always found to be greater than the rates charged by the WATC, will the City just use borrowed funds until such point that it can no longer borrow from the WATC (i.e. it has hit the limit on the amount that can be borrowed)?

See response to point 3 above.

5. What interest rate will be used when seeking feedback from property owners in November?

The current WATC 4 year fixed interest rate is 4.69% and will be used when seeking feedback from property.

6. What is the current (as at October 2024) limit to the amount that can be borrowed in dollar terms?

The City's borrowing capacity was assessed at 50% per project when previously modelled using the WATC indicative borrowing calculator. Borrowing capacity is assessed based on several factors that assess the City's current and future financial position. The 50% borrowing capacity limit allows for a consistent approach for all ratepayers across all 8 Underground Power projects.

7. Can the service charges for underground power be raised at any time during the year or must they coincide with the sending of annual rates notices?

Service charges must be raised with Annual Rates notices to be a secured debt.

8. What is the estimated percentage of owners who will choose to pay up front that is used in financial model for underground power – is it the maximum of 70% as per the LTFP?

It is difficult to predict the demand for the 4-year payment option which may vary depending on the cost of each project. The modelling provides flexibility for the City to provide the 4-year payment option to up to 70% of ratepayers. If more ratepayers pay upfront, the City will borrow less from WATC and may not require reserves to be used for that project.

Lesley Florey of Mt Hawthorn

1. In relation to the Stormwater Connections Policy why did the City fail to notify, by group email, all the stakeholders?
2. In relation to the Stormwater Connections Policy why did the City fail to engage and consult with all three stakeholder groups?
3. Since the GHD Technical Memorandum in 2022 to this date, how many residents, in total, in the entire City of Vincent have been identified with stormwater pipes running through their properties?
4. Has the City created any easements over these stormwater pipes?
5. Is the City going to create easements?
6. Is the City going to pay for these surveying and easement costs, or are you expecting the individual?
7. How many other properties, excluding my property, have been UV lined since 11 April 2024 to this date?

The questions are repetitive and relate to a complaint/issue that has already been comprehensively considered and reviewed on multiple occasions by the City. We consider the matter to have been appropriately addressed and will not be responding to further repetitive questions on this matter.

4 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

COUNCIL DECISION

Moved: Cr Castle, Seconded: Cr Wallace

That Cr Woolf's request for leave of absence from 16 – 19 December 2024 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (8-0)

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

5 THE RECEIVING OF PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

A petition with six signatures was received from Thomas Sippe of North Perth requesting that the Council not progress with the current design of the Norfolk Neighbourhood Safe Street, due to the impacts on 1) resident safety 2) congestion 3) reduction in amenity of the area and other reasons that may be elaborated on. In addition to the 6 signatories below, we also attach a change.org petition with 168 signatories, also in opposition to this design.

PETITION**COUNCIL DECISION**

Moved: Cr Castle, Seconded: Cr Worner

That the petition be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (8-0)

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**COUNCIL DECISION**

Moved: Cr Woolf, Seconded: Cr La Fontaine

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 22 October 2024 be confirmed.

CARRIED (8-0)

For: Mayor Xamon, Cr Castle, Cr Worner, Cr Woolf, Cr Hallett, Cr Wallace, Cr Greer and Cr La Fontaine

Against: Nil

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

7 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING MEMBER (WITHOUT DISCUSSION)

The Presiding Member Alison Xamon made the following announcement:

7.1 PERTH FESTIVAL

Councillors may have seen the recent announcement from the Perth Festival, that the City is now partnering with the Festival to have the site of the East Perth Power Station become a primary focus for the Festival for the next four years.

I'm very excited about this and I think it's going to be an extraordinary opportunity, not only because it's going to enable Vincent residents, particularly those residents who live over towards that direction, to easily attend a number of what are going to be the key Festival events, but importantly, it's going to provide an invaluable opportunity to showcase this important site as a site for future development.

I have had an opportunity, as the negotiations with the Perth Festival have unfolded, to go on to the site now several times and it's even better than I thought it was when you actually go up. It has, of course, been allowed to lapse into a bit of disrepair, but the bones of that building are just extraordinary and the location is amazing as well.

The site's been closed since 1981, but what the Festival's is going to do is to activate three different types of activity next February. The first thing is that there is going to be a free, family friendly al fresco music stage at the very front of the power station, between the power station and the river. Out the back there's going to be an outdoor contemporary music venue, and then Boorloo Contemporary visual art projections will be projecting onto the building.

The front one's going to be called Casa Musica and that's intended to be the the real showpiece for the Festival. It is going to have a bunch of different performers and it's going to have lots of Mediterranean vibes and it should be absolutely fabulous. Out the back they are going to maximize the extraordinary architecture of the building, and that's been inspired by the London's print works. It's going to have a dance floor, and there's going to be some terrific acts.

Boorloo Contemporary are going to be putting a lot of Noongar artists' work, from Allan Yarran, Ilona McGuire and Daniel Hansen onto the building, which is going to talk to the history of the site. It's the first time we have ever had an event of this scale at that site and and I think it's going to be an extraordinary festival.

The City of Vincent has played a role, we have begun our works on the new public open space and that's going to be available all year round, not just for the Festival. People will be able to use that space and there'll be a platform where we will be able to have our own events out there as well.

What I'm really hoping is that, by bringing people to that site, it will allow people to actually think about the opportunities that site can present. No one is going to be able to go into the building, there is still significant contamination from asbestos, but ideally we will get pressure on government, either Federal or State and/or some wealthy philanthropist who might want to consider themselves as patron of the arts to look at creating a permanent cultural precinct there.

I am hoping that people are going to see what the possibilities are for the site and that over the next four years, we might even start getting some undertakings from people to make it even bigger and better. It's well placed, really close to the CBD, it's right on the river, it's just near Optus stadium, it's walking distance to HBF Stadium, and of course, North Claisebrook is going to take off and it'll just be an amazing location if someone decides to invest in there.

The City of Vincent has our jetty down there and I can imagine ferries coming across to that space as well. I hope people are going to take advantage of the fact that there are going to be marvellous things there and I'm really looking forward to being able to have it highlighted and I hope people are going to look at what it can provide.

8 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

REPORTS

The Presiding Member, Mayor Alison Xamon, advised the meeting of:

- (a) **Items which are the subject of a question, comment or deputation from Members of the Public, being:**
Nil
- (b) **Items which require an Absolute Majority decision which have not already been the subject of a public question/comment, being:**
Items 11.5 and 11.6.
- (c) **Items which Council Members/Officers have declared a financial or proximity interest, being:**
Nil

The Presiding Member, Mayor Alison Xamon, requested Council Members to indicate:

- (d) **Items which Council Members wish to discuss which have not already been the subject of a public question/comment or require an absolute majority decision and the following was advised:**

COUNCIL MEMBER	ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED
Cr Castle	17.1
Cr Woolf	10.1
Cr Greer	12.5
Cr La Fontaine	13.1

The Presiding Member, Mayor Alison Xamon therefore requested the Executive Manager Corporate Strategy & Governance, to advise the meeting of:

- (e) **Unopposed items which will be moved “En Bloc”, being:**
Items 9.3, 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 11.4, 12.2, 12.3 and 12.4
- (f) **Confidential Reports which will be considered behind closed doors, being:**
Items 17.1.

ITEMS APPROVED "EN BLOC":

The following Items were adopted unopposed and without discussion "*En Bloc*", as recommended:

COUNCIL DECISION

Moved: Cr Hallett, Seconded: Cr Castle

**That the following unopposed items be adopted "En Bloc", as recommended:
Items 9.3, 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 11.4, 12.2, 12.3 and 12.4**




CARRIED (8-0)

For: Mayor Xamon, Cr Castle, Cr Worner, Cr Woolf, Cr Hallett, Cr Wallace, Cr Greer and Cr La Fontaine

Against: Nil

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

9.3 ROAD DEDICATION OF RIGHT OF WAY LOT 66 ON DIAGRAM 4096, LEEDERVILLE

- Attachments:
1. Survey Plan - Lot 66 Diagram 4096 
 2. Certificate of Title 2748-736 Lot 66 On Diagram 4096 
 3. Cancelled Certificate of Title 1054-346 - Lot 66 On Diagram 4096 - Partial Closure of Right of Way 

RECOMMENDATION:**That Council:**

1. REQUESTS the Minister for Lands to dedicate as a road Lot 66 on Diagram 4096 as shown in Attachment 1, comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 2748 Folio 736 as shown in Attachment 2, pursuant to section 56(1)(c) of the *Land Administration Act 1997* (LAA) subject to the Chief Executive Officer:
 - 1.1 Providing public notice seeking submissions on the proposal to dedicate Lot 66 on Diagram 501 pursuant to section 56(1)(c) of *Land Administration Act 1997* and Regulation 8 of *Land Administration Regulations*; and
 - 1.2 Considering and responding to any submissions or objections received.

COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 9.3

Moved: Cr Hallett, **Seconded:** Cr Castle

That the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY "EN BLOC" (8-0)

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

11.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

Attachments: 1. Financial Statements as at 30 September 2024 

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council RECEIVES the Financial Statements for the month ended 30 September 2024 as shown in Attachment 1.

COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 11.1




Moved: Cr Hallett, **Seconded:** Cr Castle

That the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY “EN BLOC” (8-0)

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

11.2 AUTHORISATION OF EXPENDITURE FOR THE PERIOD 01 SEPTEMBER 2024 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

- Attachments:
1. September 2024 - Payments by Payroll and EFT 
 2. September 2024 - Payments by Direct Debit 
 3. September 2024 - Payments by Fuel cards 

Recommendation:

That Council RECEIVES the list of accounts paid under delegated authority for the period 01 September 2024 to 30 September 2024 as detailed in Attachments 1, 2, 3 and 4 as summarised below:

EFT payments, including payroll	\$8,755,742.01
Cheques	\$0.00
Direct debits, including credit cards	\$165,988.56
Total payments for September 2024	\$8,921,730.57

COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 11.2

Moved: Cr Hallett, **Seconded:** Cr Castle

That the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY “EN BLOC” (8-0)

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

11.3 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

Attachments: 1. Investment Statistics as at 30 September 2024 

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council NOTES the Investment Statistics for the month ended 30 September 2024 as detailed in Attachment 1.

COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 11.3

Moved: Cr Hallett, **Seconded:** Cr Castle

That the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY “EN BLOC” (8-0)

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

11.4 PROPOSED REPEAL OF POLICY NO. 1.2.8 - CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS

Attachments: 1. Assessment of Policy - Corporate Credit Cards 

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council REPEALS the [Policy No.1.2.8 – Corporate Credit Cards](#).

COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 11.4

Moved: Cr Hallett, **Seconded:** Cr Castle

That the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY “EN BLOC” (8-0)

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

12.2 COUNCIL BRIEFING AND ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL DATES FOR 2025

Attachments: 1. Proposed Meeting Cycle - 2025 

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. **ADOPTS** the 2025 monthly cycle of Council Briefings and Ordinary Meetings of Council, each commencing at 6:00pm and held at the City of Vincent Council Chambers, 244 Vincent Street, Leederville, as listed below and shown in the calendar at Attachment 1; and

Council Briefing	Ordinary Meeting of Council
4 February	11 February
4 March	11 March
1 April	8 April
6 May	13 May
10 June	17 June
8 July	15 July
5 August	12 August
2 September	9 September
30 September	7 October
4 November	11 November
2 December	9 December

2. **PROVIDES** local public notice of the Council Briefing and Ordinary Meeting of Council dates, time and place, as listed in Recommendation 1. above.

COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 12.2




Moved: Cr Hallett, Seconded: Cr Castle

That the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY “EN BLOC” (8-0)

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

12.3 REPORT AND MINUTES OF THE AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 7 NOVEMBER 2024

- Attachments:**
1. **Audit Committee Minutes - 7 November 2024** 
 2. **Audit Committee Attachments - Confidential**
 3. **Audit Interim Management Letter - Financial Audit - Confidential**
 4. **Audit Management Letter - Information Systems - Confidential**
 5. **Annual Financial Audit - Exit brief - Confidential**
 6. **Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024** 
 7. **Auditor's Opinion - for the year ended 30 June 2024** 

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. RECEIVES:

- 1.1 **The Minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee Meeting of 7 November 2024, at Attachment 1 and Confidential Attachment 2;**
- 1.2 **The Auditor's management letters (Financial Audit and Information System Audit) and exit brief, prepared for the year ending 30 June 2024 at Attachment 3, 4 and 5;**
- 1.3 **The Audit Opinion for the year ended 30 June 2024 at Attachment 7; and**
- 1.4 **The City's Corporate Risk Register;**

2. ADOPTS the Audited Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024 at Attachment 6;**3. APPROVES:**

- 3.1 **The updated internal Audit Program 2022/23 – 2024/25;**
- 3.2 **The Fraud and Corruption Risk Register and Control Review Schedule;**
- 3.3 **Draft Integrity Framework, which is proposed to replace the Fraud and Corruption Prevention Plan;**
- 3.4 **The management actions for the high and extreme risks; and**
- 3.5 **Closure of action items noted in the audit log;**

4. NOTES:

- 4.1 **The alignment of Corporate Risks to risk appetite and tolerance ratings;**
- 4.2 **The 2024 Audit and Risk Committee Forward Agenda;**
- 4.3 **The Status of the City's Audit Log; and**
- 4.4 **That the Audit and Risk Committee meetings will be rescheduled to Wednesday for 2025, and Administration will circulate dates to the Committee for confirmation.**

COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 12.3

Moved: Cr Hallett, Seconded: Cr Castle

That the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY “EN BLOC” (8-0)

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

12.4 INFORMATION BULLETIN

- Attachments:
1. Unconfirmed Minutes of the Catalina Regional Council Meeting held on 17 October 2024 
 2. Statistics for Development Services Applications as at the end of October 2024 
 3. Register of Legal Action and Prosecutions Monthly - Confidential
 4. Register of State Administrative Tribunal (SAT) Appeals - Progress Report as at 14 November 2024 
 5. Register of Applications Referred to the Metro Inner-North Joint Development Assessment Panel - Current 
 6. Register of Applications Referred to the Design Review Panel - Current 
 7. Register of Petitions - Progress Report - November 2024 
 8. Register of Notices of Motion - Progress Report - November 2024 
 9. Register of Reports to be Actioned - Progress Report - November 2024 
 10. Council Workshop Items since 15 October 2024 
 11. Council Briefing Notes - 15 October 2024 

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council RECEIVES the Information Bulletin dated November 2024.

COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 12.4

Moved: Cr Hallett, **Seconded:** Cr Castle

That the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY “EN BLOC” (8-0)

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

REPORTS WITH DISCUSSION**10.1 OUTCOME OF ADVERTISING AND ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO COLLECTION MANAGEMENT POLICY**

- Attachments:
1. 15.10.2024 Library and Local History Centre Collection Management Policy CLEAN DRAFT 
 2. Library-and-Local-History-Collection-Policy TRACK CHANGES 
 3. 15.10.24 241003_Library Collection Policy_Survey Analysis 

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council **ADOPTS** the Collection Management Policy at Attachment 1.

COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 10.1

Moved: Cr Woolf, **Seconded:** Cr Wallace

That the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED (8-0)

For: Mayor Xamon, Cr Castle, Cr Worner, Cr Woolf, Cr Hallett, Cr Wallace, Cr Greer and Cr La Fontaine

Against: Nil

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

11.5 BUDGET AMENDMENTS 2024/25**Attachments:** 1. Budget Amendments 2024/2025 **RECOMMENDATION:**

1. That Council **BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY APPROVES** the following amendments to the 2024/25 Annual Budget as shown in Attachment 1:
 - 1.1 A net decrease in the Operating result of \$735,585;
 - 1.2 A net increase in the Capital Expenditure Budget of \$786,984;
 - 1.3 A net increase in transfer from Cash Backed Reserves of \$445,809 with a closing balance of \$25,379,915; and
 - 1.4 A net increase in the closing surplus of \$1,037,878 resulting in a forecasted year end surplus at 30 June 2025 of \$1,187,352.

COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 11.5**Moved:** Cr Castle, **Seconded:** Cr La Fontaine

That the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY (8-0)**For:** Mayor Xamon, Cr Castle, Cr Worner, Cr Woolf, Cr Hallett, Cr Wallace, Cr Greer and Cr La Fontaine**Against:** Nil**(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)**

At 6.25pm Manager Community Facilities left the meeting and did not return.

11.6 ANNUAL REPORT 2023/24

- Attachments:
1. City of Vincent Annual Report 2023/24 
 2. CEO KPI Results Report 2023/24 

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. **ACCEPTS BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY** the City of Vincent Annual Report for the 2023/24 Financial Year included as Attachment 1 in accordance with Section 5.54(1) of the *Local Government Act 1995*;
2. **CONVENES** an Annual Meeting of Electors of the City of Vincent to be held at 7pm on Wednesday 11 December 2024 at the City of Vincent Administration and Civic Centre or Community Centre, in accordance with Section 5.27 of the *Local Government Act 1995*; and
3. **NOTES** that:
 - 3.1 The City of Vincent Annual Report may be subject to further formatting and styling, to be determined by the Chief Executive Officer prior to publication. The 2023/24 Financial Statements will be presented to Council as part of the recommendations of the Audit Committee and will be included in the Annual Report following adoption by Council; and
 - 3.2 The Chief Executive Officer will give local public notice of the Annual Meeting of Electors to be held on 11 December 2024, and will make the report available on the City of Vincent website within 14 days pursuant to Sections 5.29 and 5.55 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 11.6

Moved: Cr Woolf, **Seconded:** Cr Castle

That the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY (8-0)

For: Mayor Xamon, Cr Castle, Cr Worner, Cr Woolf, Cr Hallett, Cr Wallace, Cr Greer and Cr La Fontaine

Against: Nil

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

At 6.35pm Executive Manager Communication & Engagement left the meeting and did not return.

12.5 DORRIEN GARDENS PRECINCT - STATE FUNDING SUBMISSION**Attachments: Nil****RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to support a State Government funding submission and Federal Government grant application for the redevelopment of the Dorrien Gardens Precinct.

COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 12.5**Moved: Cr Greer, Seconded: Cr Castle****That the recommendation be adopted.****CARRIED (8-0)****For:** Mayor Xamon, Cr Castle, Cr Worner, Cr Woolf, Cr Hallett, Cr Wallace, Cr Greer and Cr La Fontaine**Against:** Nil**(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)**

WITHDRAWN BY ADMINISTRATION

9.1 REVIEW OF POLICY NO. 7.6.3 - TREES OF SIGNIFICANCE - WITHDRAWN BY ADMINISTRATION

- Attachments:
1. Draft Local Planning Policy - Trees of Significance 
 2. Review of Policy No. 7.6.3 - Trees of Significance 
 3. Draft Trees of Significance Fund Guidelines 




This report was withdrawn by Administration to allow for further consultation.

9.2 EXPANSION OF GREENTRACK INCENTIVE PROGRAM – WITHDRAWN BY ADMINISTRATION

Attachments: 1. Amended Fees and Charges 2024/25 (pages 16-17) 

This report was withdrawn by Administration to allow for further consultation.

12.1 REVIEW OF POLICY NO. 4.1.31 - PRIVACY MANAGEMENT - WITHDRAWN BY ADMINISTRATION

- Attachments:**
1. **Policy No. 4.1.31 - Privacy Management** 
 2. **Readiness Guide 10 - Privacy Policy** 
 3. **Assessment of Policy No. 4.1.31 - Privacy Management** 

This report was withdrawn by Administration to allow for further consultation.

13 MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**13.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE CITY OF VINCENT**

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer to:

1. Investigate maximising opportunities to provide electric vehicle infrastructure in the City of Vincent, including in City controlled public carparking areas such as the redevelopment of the Leederville carparks and on-street options, through the Underground Power Program;
2. Work with neighbouring Councils in the Perth Inner-City Group for coordination in the early planning of electric vehicle infrastructure across local government boundaries; and
3. Advocate for the State Government to:
 - Prioritise the planning and funding of strategic electric grid infrastructure to support the installation of electric vehicle infrastructure; and
 - Consider changes to standards that would allow property owners to install electric vehicle charging facilities in verges adjacent to their properties.

Moved: Mayor Xamon, Seconded: Cr Hallett

That the recommendation be adopted.

AMENDMENT

Moved: Cr Hallett, Seconded: Cr Woolf

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer to:

That the recommendation be amended as follows:

1. Investigate maximising opportunities to provide electric vehicle infrastructure in the City of Vincent, including in City controlled public carparking areas such as the redevelopment of the Leederville carparks and on-street options including through the Underground Power Program;
2. Work with neighbouring Councils in the Perth Inner-City Group for coordination in the early planning of electric vehicle infrastructure across local government boundaries; and
3. Advocate **in the lead-up to the 2025 State Election** for the **relevant Ministers and the State Government** to:
 - Prioritise the planning and funding of strategic electric grid infrastructure to support the installation of electric vehicle infrastructure; and
 - Consider changes to standards that would allow property owners to install electric vehicle charging facilities in verges adjacent to their properties.

REASON:

The 2025 State Election provides a further opportunity for the City to advocate for the State Government to take the lead in planning and funding the necessary infrastructure to support EV charging facilities.

ADMINISTRATION'S COMMENT:

Administration supports the proposed amendment which would strengthen the City's advocacy for the State Government to lead in this space and improve the opportunity for EV charging facilities to be more readily accessible.

AMENDMENT CARRIED (8-0)

For: Mayor Xamon, Cr Castle, Cr Worner, Cr Woolf, Cr Hallett, Cr Wallace, Cr Greer and Cr La Fontaine

Against: Nil

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 13.1

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CARRIED (8-0)

For: Mayor Xamon, Cr Castle, Cr Worner, Cr Woolf, Cr Hallett, Cr Wallace, Cr Greer and Cr La Fontaine

Against: Nil

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

14 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN (WITHOUT DISCUSSION)

Nil

15 REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEES AND PUBLIC BODIES

Nil

16 URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

17 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS/MATTERS FOR WHICH THE MEETING MAY BE CLOSED**COUNCIL DECISION****Moved: Cr Castle, Seconded: Cr Hallett****PROCEDURAL MOTION**

Pursuant to Section 5.23(2) of the *Local Government Act 1995* and clause 2.14 of the Meeting Procedures Local Law 2008, proceeds “behind closed doors” at the conclusion of the items, to consider the confidential reports.

CARRIED (8-0)

For: Mayor Xamon, Cr Castle, Cr Worner, Cr Woolf, Cr Hallett, Cr Wallace, Cr Greer and Cr La Fontaine

Against: Nil

(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)

At 6.45pm the livestream was paused to consider Item 17.1 Appointment of Executive Director Community & Business Services.

At 6.45pm A/Executive Director Community & Business Services left the meeting and did not return.

At 6.45 pm A/Executive Director Strategy & Development left the meeting.

At 6.45pm Executive Manager Corporate Strategy & Governance left the meeting.

At 6.45pm Director of Major Projects left the meeting.

At 6.45pm Executive Director Infrastructure & Environment left the meeting.

At 6.45pm Coordinator Corporate Strategy & Governance

COUNCIL DECISION**Moved: Cr Castle, Seconded: Cr Hallett**

That the Council resume an “open meeting”.

CARRIED (8-0)**For:** Mayor Xamon, Cr Castle, Cr Worner, Cr Woolf, Cr Hallett, Cr Wallace, Cr Greer and Cr La Fontaine**Against:** Nil**(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)**

At 6.51 pm A/Executive Director Strategy & Development returned to the meeting.

At 6.51pm Executive Manager Corporate Strategy & Governance returned to the meeting.

At 6.51pm Director of Major Projects returned to the meeting.

At 6.51pm Executive Director Infrastructure & Environment left the meeting.

At 6.51pm Coordinator Corporate Strategy & Governance

At 6.51pm after consideration of Item 17.1 the livestream recommenced and the Presiding Member, Mayor Xamon, advised of the below decision, as carried behind closed doors.

17.1 APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMUNITY & BUSINESS SERVICES**COUNCIL DECISION 17.1****Moved: Cr Castle, Seconded: Cr Hallett****That Council, pursuant to section 5.37(2) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, ACCEPTS the recommendation of the Chief Executive Officer to employ the preferred candidate, Mr Rhys Taylor, as the City’s Executive Director Community and Business Services on a five year (5) contract of employment, subject to the terms and conditions as determined by the Chief Executive Officer.****CARRIED (8-0)****For:** Mayor Xamon, Cr Castle, Cr Worner, Cr Woolf, Cr Hallett, Cr Wallace, Cr Greer and Cr La Fontaine**Against:** Nil**(Cr Alexander was an apology for the Meeting.)**

18 CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Presiding Member, Mayor Alison Xamon, declared the meeting closed at 6.51pm with the following persons present:

PRESENT:	Mayor Alison Xamon	Presiding Member
	Cr Alex Castle	North Ward
	Cr Suzanne Worner	North Ward
	Cr Nicole Woolf	North Ward
	Cr Jonathan Hallett	South Ward
	Cr Ashley Wallace	South Ward
	Cr Sophie Greer	South Ward
	Cr Ashlee La Fontaine	South Ward
IN ATTENDANCE:	David MacLennan	Chief Executive Officer
	Peter Varris	Executive Director Infrastructure & Environment
	Jay Naidoo	A/Executive Director Strategy & Development
	John Corbellini	Director of Major Projects
	Emma Simmons	Coordinator Corporate Strategy & Governance
	Wendy Barnard	Mayor and Council Support
	Joslin Colli	Executive Manager Corporate Strategy & Governance
Public:	No members of the public.	

These Minutes were confirmed at the 10 December 2024 meeting of Council as a true and accurate record of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council Meeting held on 19 November 2024.

Signed: Mayor Alison Xamon

Dated