



MINUTES OF

STRATEGY COMMITTEE

HELD ON

TUESDAY 21 MAY 2019

AT 5.30 PM

IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 83 MANDURAH TERRACE MANDURAH

PRESENT:

COUNCILLOR	T JONES [CHAIRPERSON]	COASTAL WARD
MAYOR	R WILLIAMS	
HON COUNCILLOR	F RIEBELING	COASTAL WARD
COUNCILLOR	P ROGERS	TOWN WARD
COUNCILLOR	M ROGERS	TOWN WARD
COUNCILLOR	C KNIGHT	NORTH WARD
COUNCILLOR	P JACKSON	NORTH WARD
COUNCILLOR	R WORTLEY	NORTH WARD

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

MR	M NEWMAN	CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
MR	A CLAYDON	DIRECTOR WORKS AND SERVICES
MR	G DAVIES	EXECUTIVE MANAGER STRATEGY & BUSINESS PERFORMANCE
MR	D PRATTENT	ACTING EXECUTIVE MANAGER FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE
MR	C JOHNSON	EXECUTIVE MANAGER STRATEGY, RECREATION AND EVENTS
MRS	L SLAYFORD	MINUTES OFFICER

OPENING OF MEETING AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS [AGENDA ITEM 1]

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 5.30pm.

APOLOGIES [AGENDA ITEM 2]

Councillor Lynn Rodgers on leave of absence, apologies from Councillors Lee, Schumacher and Shane Jones

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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE [AGENDA ITEM 3]

Nil.

PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS BY CHAIRMAN [AGENDA ITEM 4]**S.1/5/19 SHIRE OF MURRAY: MURRAYFIELD AIRPORT**

David Arkwright from the Shire of Murray delivered a visual presentation on this item. Mr Arkwright gave an overview of the Murrayfield land ownership and zonings along with adjoining property ownerships and zonings, noting the potential for acquiring further State controlled land holdings to assist with the airfield redevelopment. An overview of potential airfield uses, industry development, service requirements and employment opportunities was also outlined.

Murrayfield currently supports single engine aircraft use but could be easily adapted to be utilised by twin engine aircraft. This improvement could potentially open opportunities for a dedicated regional freight facility in Western Australia along with potential to operate as a regional airport attracting both commercial, industrial and tourism investment and employment. The Shire of Murray will be seeking support and funding from both State and Federal governments along with private investment following development of the business plan, it is not envisaged that further monetary support will be required from the City of Mandurah apart from a requested contribution of \$15,000 towards the costs of preparing a business plan.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES [AGENDA ITEM 5]**S.2/5/19 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

RESOLVED: F Riebeling / R Wortley

That the Minutes of the Strategy Committee held on Tuesday 9 April 2019 be confirmed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: 8/0

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS [AGENDA ITEM 6]

Nil.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS [AGENDA ITEM 7]**S.3/5/19 SUSPENSION OF CITY'S STANDING ORDERS 8.5 AND 8.6**

RESOLVED: F Riebeling / Matt Rogers

That the City's Standing Orders 8.5 and 8.6 be suspended at 6.05pm in order to facilitate debate.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: 8/0

QUESTIONS FROM ELECTED MEMBERS WITHOUT DISCUSSION [AGENDA ITEM 8]

Questions of which due notice has been given

Nil.

Questions of which notice has not been given

Nil.

REPORTS [AGENDA ITEM 9]**S.4/5/19 CITY OF MANDURAH EVENTS STRATEGY 2019 - 2023 (CT) (REPORT 1)**

The City of Mandurah is currently involved in varying capacities with events, including the design, coordination and delivery of five major City owned events (Mandurah Crab Fest, Mandurah Children's Festival, New Year's Eve, Christmas Pageant and Australia Day), providing events support to other internal teams and advising and supporting external groups holding events in Mandurah.

In 2013 Council endorsed a 4 year City Events Strategy and Policy (2013-2016) which outlined the strategic direction of events. This Strategy and the City's current events function underwent a review by an independent consultant from September 2018 to January 2019 and a Discussion Paper was presented to City of Mandurah Elected Members in February 2019.

This review focused on the events the City of Mandurah currently run, identifying improvements in their delivery and management, and the City's potential to attract diverse and high profile externally delivered events.

The City of Mandurah Events Strategy 2019-2023 has been compiled in line with the findings and subsequent recommendations from this review and serves to set the future vision and direction for events within Mandurah for the next 5 years. The Strategy is based around five key strategic objectives;

- Major Event Attraction
- Increase Local Supply Opportunities
- Build Community Capacity
- Key Performance Measures
- Define Event Objectives

Council is requested to endorse the City of Mandurah Events Strategy 2019-2023, noting that an implementation plan will be developed to facilitate delivery and that the Strategy will be reviewed annually to ensure alignment with the City's vision and objectives.

Mayor Williams moved the report recommendation which was seconded by Councillor Wortley. The Committee discussed event branding and financial capacity to host events. The Executive Manager Strategy and Business Performance and Executive Manager Strategy, Recreation and Events responded to all aspects particularly in relation to positioning the City of Mandurah as a host site for events thereby reducing financial impact to the City whilst assisting to provide premier events for the community.

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND: R Williams / R Wortley

That Council:

1. **Endorse the City of Mandurah Events Strategy 2019-2023 as a guiding document in the future development of events;**
2. **Note that further work will be undertaken to determine what improvements can be made in the areas of sponsorship, volunteer management and the communication of events.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: 8/0

S.5/5/19 NORTH MANDURAH WASTEWATER REUSE STUDY (AC/DR) (REPORT 2)

The City of Mandurah has initiated a project researching possible water source alternatives for irrigating public open space areas in the Mandurah North area. The demand on the local aquifers (native groundwater) is approaching the point at which their sustainable yield is fully allocated. Alternative water sources are therefore required to meet the future needs in the City's public open space irrigation demand.

A study is underway investigating the potential to formalise and extend the indirect treated wastewater reuse scheme associated with the Gordon Road Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP), to provide an alternative source of water that can be used to irrigate existing and future public open space in the Mandurah North area.

The study includes a methodology across three stages to deliver this work, these stages are:

- Stage 1: Data acquisition and review
- Stage 2: Optioneering and conceptual design
- Stage 2B: Hydrogeological Assessment – Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR)
- Stage 3: Recommended Model. Implementation planning, costing and business plan.

In June 2018, Council approved the progression of the study to the phase which involved a drilling program to validate and identify the underlying extent of water beneath the Gordon Road WWTP.

The drilling program has now been completed and the results indicate:

- Groundwater infiltration is extensive throughout the North Mandurah Study Area
- Sufficient water volume exists for this area to be successfully watered for the long term
- Water quality is more than satisfactory
- Extent of freshwater layer has increased
- Low nitrogen and phosphorous levels.

Given the results, there is a strong case for the City to be granted a Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) licence from the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) which would allow the abstraction of 2GL/year for the use of irrigation and aquifer storage.

Additionally, the results indicate that a scheme implementation proposal would reduce in cost from \$28M to \$10M (estimates only) and the project could be staged in its delivery.

The study has been completed up to Stage 2B with the final stage (Stage 3) to progress the preferred water reuse option and preparation of an implementation plan, final configuration/design of the North Mandurah Wastewater Reuse Scheme, costing and business plan.

Council is requested to approve progressing the North Mandurah Wastewater Reuse Scheme study implementation planning and final configuration/design stage (Stage 3).

Councillor Matt Rogers left the Chamber at 6.19pm, returning at 6.22 pm.

The Director Works and Services delivered a visual presentation in relation to this item providing an overview of water reserves created via the waste water treatment plant (WWTP). Information was provided regarding the City's current and future water requirements, current sources of supply and proposals to utilise the hydraulic mound supplies created by the WWTP infiltration. It was noted that approvals are only required from the Department Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) in regard to water source usage. Discussions are scheduled to be conducted in the coming week between the City and DWER in regard to possibly altering the water supply for some playing fields in the Mandurah locale. This has the potential to divert water demand from the Leederville Aquifer to the hydraulic mound. There is the potential for financial savings to the City through this proposal and will also assist in maintaining acceptable water levels within the hydraulic mound. A business plan which will identify the required capital investment and operating costs will be prepared as part of Stage 3.

Councillor Matt Rogers moved, Councillor Knight seconded the report recommendation. Discussion ensued in regard to the City's current water usage and supply sources at specific sites. The Director Works and Services provided responses to matters raised. The Chief Executive Officer outlined the extent to which the WWTP infiltration mound could supply water within the Peel region.

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND: Matt Rogers / C Knight

That Council:

- 1. Notes the results of Stage 2B Hydrogeological Assessment.**

2. Agrees to progress to Stage 3, which will include a recommended scheme, implementation planning, costing and business case.
3. Requests the Stage 3 project report to be presented to Council for consideration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: 8/0

LATE AND URGENT BUSINESS ITEMS [AGENDA ITEM 10]

Nil.

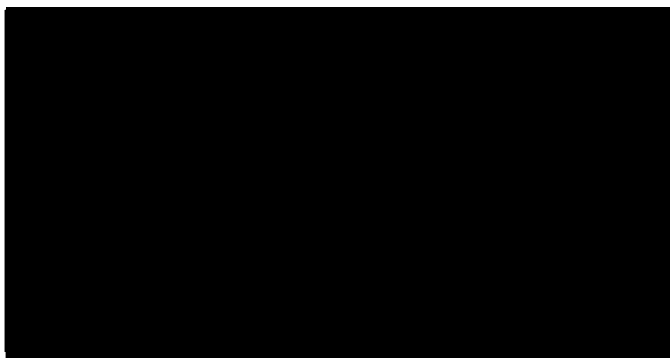
CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS [AGENDA ITEM 14]

Nil.

CLOSE OF MEETING [AGENDA ITEM 11]

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 6.39pm.

CONFIRMED:



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