



**Minutes of the Asset and Sustainability Committee
held on Tuesday, 7 September 2021 at 6.30 pm
Council Chamber, Council Administration Centre
245 Sturt Road, Sturt**

PRESENT

His Worship the Mayor Kris Hanna
Councillor Matthew Shilling
Councillor Bruce Hull
Councillor Ian Crossland
Councillor Nathan Prior

In Attendance

Councillor Raelene Telfer (via Zoom)
Councillor Kendra Clancy (via Zoom)
Chief Executive Officer - Tony Harrison
General Manager City Services - Tony Lines
General Manager City Development - Ilia Houridis
Unit Manager Engineering – Carl Lundborg
Unit Manager Environmental Sustainability – Ann Gibbons
Water Resources Coordinator – Glynn Ricketts
Executive Officer to the General Manager City Development – Louise Herdegen
Mott MacDonald – Adam Kilsby, State Manager South Australia
Mott MacDonald Digital Ventures – Alex Osti, Territory Lead, Australia

1 Open Meeting

The Chair opened the meeting at 6:33pm.

2 Kurna Acknowledgement

We acknowledge the Kurna people, the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respects to their elders past and present.

3 Elected Member Declaration of Interest

The Chair asked if any member wished to disclose an interest in relation to any item being considered at the meeting

Nil interests were disclosed.

4 Confirmation of Minutes**4.1 Confirmation of Minutes of the Asset and Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 1 June 2021**

Report Reference ASC210907R4.1

Moved – Councillor Crossland

Seconded – Councillor Prior

That the minutes of the Asset and Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 1 June 2021 be taken as read and confirmed.

Carried Unanimously

5 Business Arising

5.1 Business Arising Statement - Action Items

Report Reference ASC210907R5.1

Moved - Councillor Crossland

Seconded - Councillor Prior

That the Asset and Sustainability Committee:

1. Notes the business arising statement, meeting schedule and upcoming items.

Carried Unanimously

6 Workshop / Presentation Items

6.1 Preparing for a zero-carbon economy

Report Reference ASC210907R6.1

A presentation was received from Mr Alex Osti and Mr Adam Kilsby from Mott MacDonald to provide an outline of the Carbon Portal tool that tracks and reports on carbon footprints, including embedded carbon, to assist with measuring whole of life carbon costs of assets. An opportunity to explore a partnership with the City of Marion to achieve positive outcomes across the community and South Australia.

Discussion points noted:

- Platform and tools are developed, maintained and funded through Mott MacDonald Digital Ventures.
- Being authentic to achieve real outcomes.
- Understand the options, to solve the problem in the most carbon effective solution with the information available.
- Designed as an evaluation tool to analyse the materials and carbon involved.
- City of Marion has been proactive in investing in trees, biodiversity and wetlands however, this hasn't lowered the carbon footprint legislatively. The type of tree species planted may be a factor.
- Important to have other lenses as to why you are doing it – balance offset carbon but doing it in a way that realises all the other considerations.
- Need to be informed about the tools we use balanced with cost and outcomes. City of Marion could be seen as a leader in this area, however further understanding and consideration required to determine benefits and relevance.

Action: Administration to follow up with Mott Mac Donald to initiate further discussion.

Moved – Mayor Hanna

Seconded - Councillor Prior

That the Asset & Sustainability Committee:

1. Notes the presentation.

Carried Unanimously

7 Confidential Items - Nil

8 Reports for Discussion

8.1 Grant for Rainwater Tank Pilot Study

Report Reference ASC210907R8.1

The Water Resources Coordinator joined the meeting and gave a presentation to outline a grant opportunity for the City of Marion to undertake a pilot study, in conjunction with the City of Holdfast Bay, to encourage residents in the Frederick Street Glengowrie catchment to plumb rainwater tanks to their houses to make use of the water and reduce stormwater runoff. The study will include data capture and analysis as part of the initial process. The grant is 50% funded by DEW (Green Adelaide) and 25% City of Holdfast Bay (both confirmed) and is subject to 25% funding by City of Marion.

Key discussion points noted:

- New Planning & Design Code effectively removed the ability to mandate rainwater tanks in new developments however onsite stormwater solutions are required.
- Pilot study would subsidise up to 40% of the costs for circa 20% of the dwellings to retrospectively install rainwater tanks to reduce an estimated 30% run-off from the catchment.
- The grant will fund data collection and analysis to support future decision making.
- Grant could be perceived as another cost shifting objective to local government.
- Advice was to be clear on objectives of pilot study and work toward objective.
- Stormwater Management Authority are looking at how to prevent large scale increases in stormwater. Investing in onsite, at source, options considered most effective.
- Joint benefits to reducing stormwater runoff.
- Investment in projects to improve practices on Council owned property preferred rather than private property. The majority of runoff is coming from private / infill.
- This grant will deliver an outcome that is tangible rather than a desktop model approach.
- There are a number of challenges to work through, however mindful over the next couple of decades the issue is only going to grow. This is a relatively inexpensive pilot to see if there is an alternative to pits and pipes.

Moved – Mayor Hanna

Seconded - Councillor Hull

That the Asset and Strategy Committee:

1. Supports the aspirations of the State Government and the Stormwater Management Authority to reduce rainwater runoff to the Gulf St Vincent.
2. Notes the recently implemented Planning & Design Code does not require rainwater tanks in all new residential developments.
3. Notes the purposes of this project are to satisfy City of Holdfast Bay corporate goals and to undertake a scientific experiment on a grand scale as to the effectiveness of rainwater tanks as a measure to reduce runoff of rainwater to the Gulf of St Vincent.
4. Notes the in-principle funding offer of up to \$130,000 for the Rainwater Tank Pilot Project.
5. Notes that the City of Marion will be the lead agency in this tripartite arrangement.
6. Notes that up to \$65,000 in City of Marion funding is required, secured during quarterly budget review process during the 2-year anticipated timeframe for this project.
7. Notes that the project and \$65,000 in funding is already supported with a City of Holdfast Bay funding commitment.

8. Supports the report to go to a General Council meeting for consideration.

Carried Unanimously

8.2 Transport Plan

Report Reference ASC210907R8.2

The report was taken as read and the Unit Manager Engineering joined the meeting to respond to questions and comments from the Members.

The following discussion points were noted:

- Reaffirm commitment to consultation.
- Scooters good for mobility however concerned equipment left lying around which may lead to liability concerns.
- Adequate on street parking is necessary as this is important to the residents and community.
- Look for holistic parking solutions around destination sites ie schools.
- Deliver a footpath plan, with the intention to widen, in high priorities areas. Specific measurements not necessary.
- Continue to advocate for projects that improve transport linkage.

Moved - Councillor Crossland

Seconded - Councillor Prior

That the Asset and Sustainability Committee:

1. Notes the Community Engagement Feedback Report (Attachment 1 of the report).
2. Provided feedback and supports the Draft Transport Plan being presented to a General Council meeting for endorsement (Attachment 3 of the report).

Carried Unanimously

9 Reports for Noting - Nil

10 Other Business

11 Meeting Closure

The meeting was declared closed at 9:06 pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 5TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2021.

CHAIRPERSON