

**MINUTES OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND STRATEGY
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT ADMINISTRATION CENTRE
245 STURT ROAD, STURT
ON TUESDAY 7 MAY 2019**



PRESENT

Elected Members

Councillor Ian Crossland, Councillor Tim Gard, Councillor Bruce Hull, Councillor Matthew Shilling
His Worship the Mayor Kris Hanna (from 8:55 pm)

In Attendance

Mr Adrian Skull
Ms Abby Dickson
Mr Vincent Mifsud
Ms Fiona Harvey
Mr Mathew Allen
Mr Greg Salmon
Ms Donna Griffiths
Ms Nikki Govan
Mr Richard Watson
Ms Georgie Johnson
Ms Ann Gibbons
Ms Louise Herdegen

Chief Executive Officer
General Manager City Development
General Manager Corporate Services
Manager Innovation and Strategy
Manager Engineering and Field Services
Manager City Activation
Unit Manager Economic Development
SAEDB (Chair)
Communications Advisor
Smart Cities Project Officer
Environmental Sustainability Manager
Executive Assistant to General Manager
Corporate Services / Minutes

1. OPEN MEETING

In the absence of the Chair, the Chief Executive Officer opened the meeting at 6.43 pm on Tuesday 7 May 2019.

Nominations for Chair

In the absence of the Chair the Chief Executive Officer called for nominations for a chair to preside over the meeting. The following nominations were received:

- Councillor Crossland

Moved Councillor Gard

Seconded Councillor Shilling

That Councillor Crossland be nominated to preside over the meeting.

Carried

2. KAURNA 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'S DECLARATION (if any)

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

NIL

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Confirmation of the minutes for the Infrastructure and Strategy Committee Meeting held on 2 April 2019 (Report Reference: ISC190507R01)

Moved Councillor Shilling

Seconded Councillor Gard

That the minutes of the Infrastructure and Strategy Committee Meeting held on 2 April 2019 be taken as read and confirmed.

Carried

5. BUSINESS ARISING

Review of the Business Arising from previous meetings of the Infrastructure and Strategy Committee Meetings (Report Reference: ISC190507R02)

Moved Councillor Shilling

Seconded Councillor Gard

That the Infrastructure and Strategy Committee notes the business arising statement.

Carried

6. WORKSHOP / PRESENTATION ITEMS

Southern Adelaide Economic Development Board (SAEDB)

(Report Reference: RSC190507R03)

The Chair of the Southern Adelaide Economic Development Board (SAEDB), Nikki Govan, gave a presentation on the SAEDB including background information, objectives, current and future projects as a focus for the Board. The following discussion points were noted:

- Meetings are held quarterly in addition to Committee meetings for specific projects.
- The Hunter Development Board may be looked at as a guide regarding the Wine Centres project.
- Potential for the SAEDB to take an interest in the generation of gas/electricity at Pedlar Creek.
- Innovation Hub at Noarlunga - suggest look at Hallett Cove Library as that was established as a business centre to hold meetings, presentations, function rooms. Look at challenges and what learnings can be taken from here. Council recognises the

potential to better utilise the space and looking at opportunities to do more. High speed internet should be a draw card for users of the facility.

- The Board remains non partisan to enable work to continue regardless of who is in Government.
- The Board is committed to building good relationships with Government members
- Noarlunga chosen for Innovation Hub to ensure projects funded equitably in each of the Marion & Onkaparinga Council areas.
- The Board are benchmarking with other entities and are striving to create greater unison in the southern region, particularly between the Board and local government, with view to creating greater strategic focus, including grant funding support from State and Federal Governments for major projects.
- Opportunities for SAEDB and SRWRA to connect. May fit with some funding opportunities currently being looked at. Keen to look at potential opportunities to recoup some of the waste levy that SRWRA pay.
- Members would find ongoing communication beneficial with details on which projects are being lobbied and status. This would enable Members to assist where there's an opportunity.
- Members can follow SAEDB on LinkedIn to stay up to date with activities of the Board.

Moved Councillor Shilling

Seconded Councillor Gard

That the Infrastructure and Strategy Committee notes the update report on the Southern Adelaide Economic Development Board.

Carried

Regional Collaboration and Working Across Boundaries

(Report Reference: ISC190507R04)

The Chief Executive Officer gave a presentation on the regional collaboration with Port Adelaide Enfield and Charles Sturt Councils was provided to members. The following is a summary of the discussion points:

- many things we do are business as usual but we need to spend time looking at opportunities and we are already reaping rewards.
- support for resourcing inhouse of core activities where there is cost savings. Ensure internal work practices are always improving to maintain best practice. Risks are key people leaving.
- would be ideal to be doing this with neighbouring councils. Easier to work with like-minded councils and open to exploring collaboration opportunities when they are ready.
- protocols in place where staff working across councils to adhere to practices and procedures of the council.
- the quality of our service reviews are great but capacity to deliver recommendations is stretched.
- Looking at what can realistically be achieved.

Moved Councillor Gard

Seconded Councillor Shilling

That the Infrastructure and Strategy Committee note the presentation from the Chief Executive Officer on the regional collaboration and working across boundaries presentation.

Carried

7. REPORTS FOR DISCUSSION - Nil

8. REPORTS FOR NOTING

Grants Attraction Program Update (Report Reference: ISC190507R06)

The Communications Advisor gave an update on how the City of Marion is identifying and pursuing external funding opportunities for Council project. The key discussion points are listed below:

- 46 staff have been trained to seek for external funding by building relationships, being proactive, developing project briefs.
- the strategy is now leading grant funding rather than being reactive.
- we are building relationships with Council property leasees to ensure they understand their obligations under their lease agreements. Particularly around unauthorised maintenance/construction work on Council property.
- ensure there is a clause in the lease agreement that makes it clear leasees are to obtain approval from Council before doing any work on Council owned property, including applications for funding to develop Council assets.
- commend management on taking this initiative and being on the front foot rather than reactive. Active relationship building of funding entities builds better understanding of strategy and aspirations.
- City of Marion financial position is very strong so be gallant in approach to funding as mostly it can be matched.
- members will be receiving monthly updates on grants applications that have been submitted and outcomes.

Moved Councillor - Matthew Shilling Seconded Councillor - Bruce Hull

That the Infrastructure and Strategy Committee notes the report.

Carried

City of Casey Electric Vehicle Case Study (Report Reference: ISC190507R05)

The General Manager Corporate Services gave an update on the City of Casey's electric vehicle (EV) conversion program of heavy fleet vehicles. The following are points of discussion:

- Challenge in getting hydrogen vehicles in Australia – may be easier if Australia allowed left hand drive vehicles on the roads.
- Scope local government to see who is leading the way and use them as a benchmark. Yarra City Council apparently are doing things quite well.
- Whole of life costs missing but believe the focus was predominately environmental. If we are going to continue down this track, recommend we look at whole of life costing.

- Trade-in price for hybrids seems to be quite good.
- Batteries in these vehicles have a limited life span and concern over disposal and becoming landfill.
- City of Marion in partnership with Mitsubishi Solar Power Charging Station.
- There may be a potential opportunity to benefit from charging stations. Kangaroo Island has great infrastructure network (via grant funding).

Moved Councillor Hull

Seconded Councillor Shilling

That:

1. the Infrastructure and Strategy Committee notes this report.
2. best practice is explored within in local government and present findings to the Elected Member forum in June 2019. Preferable to include whole of life costing. Mr Reynolds to provide comment on the report.

Carried

Urban Activation Project Data Analysis (Report Reference: ISC190507R07)

The Manager City Activation and Unit Manager Economic Development provided an update on the data collected for the Urban Activation Project. The following discussion points were noted:

- trend data over summer period. Will be interesting to see the trend over the winter period.
- promotion and marketing from both City of Marion and business led to two additional jobs being created.
- digital advisory service is a value add to the project participants to help businesses with social media marketing via Instagram and Facebook.
- data collection before intervention, implementation phase 6 months, then review data after implementation.
- any assistance we can provide to allow businesses to be creative will drive an economic boost to the area.
- this project has given us a good understanding of red tape issues that businesses need to navigate.
- Business SA \$99 membership is considered a good investment for businesses to continue to grow.
- some challenges have been from disengaged landlords. Businesses keen but landlords uninterested.
- key learning if we repeat this process is to be strategic in the selection of participants.
- all projects will be completed by end of June 2019. A report will be brought back to the Committee in August.

Moved Councillor Hull

Seconded Councillor Gard

That the Infrastructure and Strategy Committee note the report.

Carried

Playground Data Analysis Report (Report Reference: ISC190507R08)

The Smart Cities Project Officer provided an update on the Innovation trial for playground data collection and analysis. The following points of discussion were noted:

- one of our projects tweeted by SAGE - great achievement to be recognised by other organisations and for them to be promoting our projects and innovations.
- SAGE have been very collaborative with the City of Marion and keen to work with councils.
- looking forward to having complete data sets so we can base decisions on actual data.
- opportunity to move sensors to continue to gather data at other locations.

Moved Councillor Shilling

Seconded Councillor Hull

That the Infrastructure and Strategy Committee:

1. Notes this progress report on the use of data collection technologies within Council playgrounds.
2. Notes a future report will be presented at the completion of the 12 month trial for the three data collection technologies and future data collection opportunities.

Carried

Capital Works Progress Update (Report Reference: ISC190507R09)

The Manager Engineering and Field Services gave an overview of the City of Marion's quarterly capital construction progress. Key points to note from the discussion are listed below:

- bridges identified for upgrade - completion of works expected by end of June.
- transport - a lot of works being undertaken at present - Grand Central Shamrock Hallett Cove is likely to be carried over due to additional consultation requirements.
- drainage on track to be completed

8.55 pm Mayor Hanna joined the meeting.

- Marion Swim Centre - changing over pumps
- Bore water used for street trees.
- Renewal footpath construction - resources used to service reactive works in other areas.
- Linear Path - will be complete by end of June.
- Small number of projects may not be completed but overall a reasonable result.
- LED street lights - no further update as yet. Waiting on response to request.
- Railway Terrace - footpath just been replaced but for the most part considered to be in good condition. The footpath replacement was part of the streetscape upgrade plan and was required to get the best results.

Moved Councillor Shilling

Seconded Mayor Hanna

That the Infrastructure and Strategy Committee notes the report.

Carried

Oaklands Smart Precinct Update (Report Reference: ISC190507R10)

The Manager Innovation and Strategy provided an update on the Oaklands Smart Precinct project. The following points were noted from the discussion:

- Elected Members struggled to discern the intent of the report and how the community would ultimately benefit.
- Working through the project and a number of data sources being collated and dashboards being created.
- Suggest we share some of the dashboards with members to provide a visualisation and to get a better understanding of the project. Provide an explanation of what the project is in plain English to enable the members to explain it to residents.
- Smart technology - will it enable traffic management to be optimised? DPTI manage traffic lights but can source a response from DPTI.
- Engaging with SAGE to understand transport, walking connectivity etc and bring data through
- Flinders University- NVI students looking at eco-system mapping of smart cities initiatives in metro Adelaide - a lot of information being gathered on initiatives at other councils, as well as data governance. Present findings in July to ISC
- Concerns around ethics of using data but hopefully the data governance research will address this.
- Consider the requirements of using of technology/apps in carpark before construction. Confirmed this was included in the bid and discussed with DPTI. Technology can be installed in various ways such as CCTV or sensors on top of asphalt and believe we haven't missed any opportunities.

Moved Councillor Hull

Seconded Councillor Shilling

That the Infrastructure and Strategy Committee:

1. Notes the progress report on the Oaklands Smart Precinct Project.

Carried

9. OTHER BUSINESS / LATE ITEMS

Seaview High School Sports Facilities Partnership (Report Reference: ISC190507R11)

Councillor Hull declared a conflict of interest, citing his child is a student at the school and left the meeting.

9:18 pm Councillor Hull left the meeting.

The General Manager City Development provided an update of the redevelopment of the courts at Seaview High and to build a multipurpose facility to support community use of the courts and playing fields in partnership with the Department of Education. The following points of discussion were noted:

- in principle support given by Council on 26 March 2019.
- potential sale/partial sale of land to fund any shortfall in funding.
- application has been lodged with the Office Recreation, Sport & Racing for grant funding.
- Seaview High School and Department of Education have been advised of Council's in principle support.
- challenge with school requirements to maximise flexibility of space to cater for all users.
- more detailed report to come back to the Committee in July.

Moved Councillor Gard

Seconded Mayor Hanna

That the Infrastructure and Strategy Committee:

1. Notes the report.
2. A detailed report be provided to the Committee in July 2019.

Carried

9:22 pm Councillor Hull re-entered the meeting.

Skate Facility Feasibility Study

Councillor Prior joined the meeting.

Councillor Prior asked the Committee to support a request for a feasibility study for a skating facility in the City of Marion. The key points from the discussion are outlined below:

- Skating options the facility would support include, but not limited to skateboarding, roller skating, roller derby.
- Preferably looking at an indoor facility to support year round use.
- Skateboarding has been included in the Olympics in 2020 and no facilities available.
- Possibly a major project – how does it fit in with priorities?
- What is the cost/availability for staff to do feasibility study or need to outsource?
- Location is unknown, resourcing unknown.
- A report could be considered based on a high level overview with any information that may be readily available.
- Important to note this is not a decision making committee. Prudent and right to potentially build into long term planning with considerations to community needs around age, gender, indoor/outdoor, disability.

Procedural Motion

Moved Councillor Shilling

Seconded Councillor Gard

That the meeting be extended to the end of the discussion on this item

Carried Unanimously

9:29 pm Meeting extended.

- Pro youth opportunity
- Next Elected Member forum will receive a presentation on the City Property plan that will include a detailed analysis and will identify gaps.
- Maybe we could include a question in the next community survey about community facilities – if we were to expand what would you like to see?
- concern about the number of major projects already in the pipeline.
- considered a core function to look at opportunities in the City of Marion.
- discretion of the chair to admit new business following consultation prior to the meeting.

Moved Councillor Gard

Seconded Councillor Shilling

That the Infrastructure and Strategy Committee:

1. seek management cooperation in providing an assessment of potential community need for skating facility and;
2. provide a high level report to the Infrastructure & Strategy Committee meeting in July 2019.

Carried

10. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS - Nil

11. MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting was declared closed at 9.41 pm.