



ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

AGENDA

22 MAY 2018

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CITY OF GREATER GERALDTON
ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, 22 MAY 2018 AT 5.00PM
CHAMBERS, CATHEDRAL AVENUE

A G E N D A

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to respectfully acknowledge the Yamatji people who are the Traditional Owners and First People of the land on which we meet/stand. I would like to pay my respects to the Elders past, present and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Yamatji people.

3 ATTENDANCE

Present:

Officers:

Others:

Members of Public:

Members of Press:

Apologies:

Leave of Absence:

4 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Question taken on notice at the Ordinary Meeting of Council 24 April 2018:

Mr Max Correy, PO Box 202, Geraldton WA 6531

Subsequent Question

Mr Correy asked if it was possible to get the total figures of the project. He had been advised by the City that the information was *Commercial In Confidence* and sought clarification.

Response

The actual tender details are considered commercial in-confidence, but I can provide the following general break-down of actual project costs:

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| • Preliminaries, environmental design, civil design, landscaping design, approvals, monitoring, audits, project management and stormwater design | \$293,000 |
| • Surveying | \$8,000 |
| • Fencing | \$42,000 |
| • Plantings | \$97,000 |
| • Memorial | |
| \$113,000 | |
| • Remediation and treatment of contaminated material/civil construction | <u>\$2,855,000</u> |
| Total | \$3,408,000 |

5 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Questions provided in writing prior to the meeting or at the meeting will receive a formal response. Please note that you cannot make statements in Public Question Time and such statements will not be recorded in the Minutes.

Our Local Laws and the Local Government Act require questions to be put to the presiding member and answered by the Council. No questions can be put to individual Councillors.

6 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Existing Approved Leave

| Councillor | From | To (inclusive) | Date Approved |
|----------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Cr L Freer | 4 July 2018 | 30 July 2018 | 28/11/2017 |
| Cr S Douglas | 31 August 2018 | 5 October 2018 | 19/12/2017 |
| Cr N McIlwaine | 16 November 2018 | 30 November 2018 | 23/1/2018 |
| Cr R Hall | 17 August 2018 | 23 October 2018 | 24/4/18 |

**Note: If Elected Members' application for leave of absence is for the meeting that the request is submitted, they will be noted as an apology until Council consider the request. The granting of the leave, or refusal to grant the leave and reasons for that refusal, will be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.*

Cr S Keemink requests leave of absence for the period 18 June 2018 to 10 July 2018 be approved.

7 PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS OR PRESENTATIONS

8 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

9 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING – as circulated

RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 24 April 2018, as previously circulated, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

10 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIR*Events attended by the Mayor or his representative*

| DATE | FUNCTION | REPRESENTATIVE |
|---------------|--|-----------------------------|
| 25 April 2018 | Anzac Day Services | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 26 April 2018 | Hear Me Out Podcast – Council Business | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 26 April 2018 | Spirit Radio Interview – Council Business | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 26 April 2018 | ABC Interview – Ward Review | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 27 April 2018 | Mid West Development Commission Board Meeting | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 29 April 2018 | Radio Mama Interview – Council Business | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 30 April 2018 | Regular Catch up – Mayor & CEO | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 30 April 2018 | Regular Catch up – Marketing & Media | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 30 April 2018 | Abrolhos Tourism | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 1 May 2018 | Governance Review Program Presentation | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 1 May 2018 | Concept Forum | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 3 May 2018 | QEII Seniors Art Exhibition – Viewing & Selection of Prizes | Cr Natasha Colliver |
| 3 May 2018 | ABC Phone Interview | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 3 May 2018 | Singapore Trade Mission - Preparation & Presentation Review | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 3 May 2018 | QEII Seniors Art Exhibition Opening | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 4 May 2018 | Geraldton CBD Draft Animation Review | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 4 May 2018 | Exhibition – The Gerald | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 5 May 2018 | Geraldton Surf Life Saving Club Annual Award Presentation Dinner | Cr Natasha Colliver |
| 7 May 2018 | Citizenship Ceremony | Deputy Mayor Neil McIlwaine |
| 8 May 2018 | Regular Catch up – Mayor & CEO | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 8 May 2018 | Regular Catch up – Marketing & Media | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 8 May 2018 | Sand Mining Discussion | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 8 May 2018 | Red FM radio Interview – Tourism Summit | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 8 May 2018 | Geraldton Ratepayers Action Group | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 8 May 2018 | Concept Forum | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 10 May 2018 | ABC Radio Interview - Rates | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 11 May 2018 | Post Budget Briefing with Hon Paul Papalia MLA | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 11 May 2018 | Geraldton Tourism Project with Hon Paul Papalia MLA | Mayor Shane Van Styn |

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| 12 May 2018 | Meeting with Midwest Mine Owners | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 12-17 May 2018 | Singapore Trade Mission | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 15 May 2018 | Agenda Forum | Deputy Mayor Neil McIlwaine |
| 16 May 2018 | ABC Interview – Point Moore | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 18 May 2018 | North South Highway Proposal – Commercial Property Group | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 19 May 2018 | Exhibition Opening - From Another View | Deputy Mayor Neil McIlwaine |
| 20 May 2018 | From Another View Exhibition – Storylines Session | Deputy Mayor Neil McIlwaine |
| 21 May 2018 | Regular Catch up – Mayor & CEO | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 21 May 2018 | Regular Catch up – Marketing & Media | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 21 May 2018 | Arts Group – Heather Espinos | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 21 May 2018 | Sunshine Festival 60 th Anniversary 2018 | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 21 May 2018 | Regional Capitals Australia - Budget | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 21 May 2018 | Regular Meeting with Local Member – Ian Blayney, MLA Member for Geraldton | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 21 May 2018 | Batavia Longboat Chair – Discuss Governance | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 22 May 2018 | WA Local Government A Training – Effective Community Leadership | Mayor Shane Van Styn |
| 22 May 2018 | Ordinary Meeting of Council | Mayor Shane Van Styn |

11 REPORTS OF DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
Nil.

12 REPORTS OF CORPORATE & COMMERCIAL SERVICES**CCS331 APPLICATION FOR FREEDOM OF ENTRY TO THE CITY OF GREATER GERALDTON**

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| AGENDA REFERENCE: | D-18-034618 |
| AUTHOR: | P Bennett, Administration Officer Corporate Services |
| EXECUTIVE: | B Davis, Director Corporate and Commercial Services |
| DATE OF REPORT: | 1 May 2018 |
| FILE REFERENCE: | GO/7/0021 |
| ATTACHMENTS: | Yes (x1) Request for Freedom of Entry |

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to award 711 (City of Greater Geraldton) Squadron Australian Air Force Cadets, Freedom of Entry to the City of Greater Geraldton (the City), and present this honour at the 2018 Sunshine Festival on Sunday 30 September 2018.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:

That Council by Absolute Majority pursuant to Section 5.20 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. APPROVE the request for Freedom of Entry to the City for the 711 Squadron Australian Air Force Cadets (AAFC); and
2. ACKNOWLEDGE the years of service of the 711 Squadron AAFC through the presentation of a certificate at the Sunshine Festival opening parade on 30 September 2018.

PROPONENT:

The proponent is the 711 Squadron AAFC.

BACKGROUND:

The City has received an application for the award of Freedom of Entry to the City to the 711 Squadron AAFC, which is a Geraldton based youth development organisation for young people aged between 13 and 18 years.

The request is submitted within the guidelines of Council Policy 4.3 Civic Ceremonies which was approved by Council on 24 January 2017.

Freedom of Entry is a ceremonial honour whereby a military or civilian unit is granted the right of entry to the City "...with bayonets fixed, colours flying and drums beating".

Policy principles restrict the Freedom of Entry award to Australian military and civilian units that have, through their command, a significant attachment to the City of Greater Geraldton. The award is conferred in recognition of their achievement while on active service or overseas duty or as a mark of respect and gratitude for their efforts in the defence of Australia.

The aim of the AAFC is to:

“by predominantly volunteer effort, better equip young people for community life by fostering discipline, initiative, leadership and loyalty through a challenging training program designed to stimulate interest in the Royal Australian Air Force and aviation in general.”

The 711 Squadron has been established in Geraldton for 25 years and over that time has helped a large number of young people reach their true potential. The 711 Squadron also regularly supports the following community events:

- Australia Day;
- ANZAC Day;
- HMAS Sydney II Memorial Services;
- Sunshine Festival; and
- Variety Club Events.

The conferring of the award of Freedom of Entry, would be held in conjunction with the 2018 Sunshine Festival opening ceremony at 1.00pm on 30 September 2018, before marching in the Sunshine Festival parade to exercise the Freedom of Entry.

It is proposed to have RAAF aircraft present for the activity and conduct fly pasts and a handling display. This is however subject to Defence operational requirements at the time.

COMMUNITY, ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES:

Community:

There are no adverse community impacts.

Environment:

There are no adverse environmental impacts.

Economy:

There are no adverse economic impacts.

Governance:

There are no adverse governance impacts.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:

Freedom of Entry to the City was awarded to the 711 Squadron AAFC at the Sunshine Festival held on 2 October 2016 subsequent to approval by Council on 23 August 2016, CCS197.

COMMUNITY/COUNCILLOR CONSULTATION:

There has been no community/councillor consultation.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Council Policy [4.3 Civic Ceremonies](#).

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

There are no financial or resource implications.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

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| Title: Community | 1.5 Recognise, value and support everyone |
| Strategy 1.5.2 | Supporting young people to develop the skills to make valuable contributions to their communities. |

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:

There are no regional outcomes.

RISK MANAGEMENT

If approved, 711 Squadron will work in partnership with the City's Events Team while planning the event. Activity risk assessments, specific timings and insurance statements can be provided upon request.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS

There were no alternative options considered by Officers.

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| CCS332 | COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES | GRANTS | COMMITTEE | - | EXTERNAL |
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| AGENDA REFERENCE: | D-18-035315 |
| AUTHOR: | B Rafferty, Treasury Officer |
| EXECUTIVE: | B Davis, Director Corporate and Commercial Services |
| DATE OF REPORT: | 3 May 2018 |
| FILE REFERENCE: | GS/2/0002 |
| ATTACHMENTS: | Yes (x2) |
| | A. Confidential – Candidate – Expression of Interest |
| | B. Confidential – Candidate – Expression of Interest |

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this item is for Council to elect up to two (2) external representatives to the Community Grants Committee as per the Terms of Reference endorsed by Council 22 March 2016.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 5.20 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. APPOINT Yvonne Lovedee as the external representative to the Community Grants Committee; and
2. NOTE the appointment period commences immediately and expires October 2019.

PROPONENT:

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton.

BACKGROUND:

At the 22 March 2016 Council Meeting, Council adopted amendments to the Community Grants Committee Terms of Reference which included the addition of up to two (2) external representatives to the committee.

An Expression of Interest was issued at the beginning of February 2018 and two (2) responses were received (Confidential responses attached).

COMMUNITY, ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES:**Community:**

There are no adverse community impacts.

Environment:

There are no adverse environmental impacts.

Economy:

There are no adverse economic impacts.

Governance:

There are no adverse governance impacts.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:

At the 26 July 2016 Council Meeting, Council appointed two (2) external representatives to the Community Grants Committee – CCS193. Two (2) nominations were received at this time, both from local residents of Geraldton.

COMMUNITY/COUNCILLOR CONSULTATION:

Consultation has taken place with Councillors as per March Council Item CCS171 in which the Community Grants Committee's Terms of Reference were amended to include up to two (2) external representatives to the committee.

Councillors on the Community Grants Committee have reviewed the Expression of Interest's received, with the consensus being to appoint Yvonne Lovedee as the only external representative to the Committee.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

There are no legislative or policy implications.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

There are no financial or resource implications.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

| Title: Community | 1.5 Recognise, value and support everyone |
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| Strategy 1.5.1 | Supporting and strengthening community groups, organisations and volunteer services. |
| Strategy 1.5.3 | Providing community services and programs that support people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds. |

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:

There are no regional outcomes.

RISK MANAGEMENT:

There is no specific risk.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:

Officers considered re-issuing the Expression of Interest to see if other nominations were submitted, or to approach past external representatives to gauge their interest at being on the Committee. This option was put to Councillors on the Community Grants Committee, who felt that the appointment of one external representative was sufficient and within the Terms of Reference.

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| CCS333 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY TO 30 APRIL 2018 |
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| AGENDA REFERENCE: | D-18-035924 |
| AUTHOR: | T Machukera, Senior Treasury Officer |
| EXECUTIVE: | B Davis, Director Corporate and Commercial Services |
| DATE OF REPORT: | 4 May 2018 |
| FILE REFERENCE: | GO/6/0012-05 |
| ATTACHMENTS: | Yes (x1) Monthly Management Report for period ended 30 April 2018 |

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The attached financial reports provide a comprehensive report on the City's finances to 30 April 2018. The statements in this report include no matters of variance considered to be of concern.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Regulation 34 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 RESOLVES to:

1. RECEIVE the monthly financial statements of activity dated 30 April 2018, as attached.

PROPONENT:

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton.

BACKGROUND:

The financial position at the end of April is detailed in the attached report and summarised as follows, relative to year-to-date budget expectations:

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| Operating Income | \$ 75,653 | 0.10% under YTD Budget |
| Operating Expenditure | \$ 1,171,844 | 1.80% under YTD Budget |
| Net Operating | \$ 1,096,191 | 20.6% Positive variance |
| Capital Expenditure | \$ 496,326 | 1.10% under YTD Budget |
| Capital Revenue | \$ 6,885 | 0.20% over YTD Budget |
| Cash at Bank – Municipal | \$ 16,171,795 | |
| Cash at Bank – Reserve | \$ 18,314,473 | |
| Total Funds Invested | \$ 33,697,300 | |
| Net Rates Collected | 95.79% | |
| Net Rates Collected in April 2017 | 96.70% | |

The attached report provides explanatory notes for items greater than 10% or \$50,000. This commentary provides Council with an overall understanding of how the finances are progressing in relation to the revised budget.

The financial position represented in the April financials shows a variance of \$1,096,191 in the net operating result (this takes into account commitments).

COMMUNITY, ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES:**Community:**

There are no adverse community impacts.

Environment:

There are no adverse environmental impacts.

Economy:

There are no adverse economic impacts.

Governance:

There are no adverse governance impacts.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:

Council is provided with financial reports each month.

COMMUNITY/COUNCILLOR CONSULTATION:

There has been no community/councillor consultation.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Section 6.4 of the Local Government Act 1995 and Regulation 34 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 require that as a minimum Council is to receive a Statement of Financial Activity.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

Any issues in relation to expenditure and revenue allocations or variance trends are identified and addressed each month.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

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| Title: Governance | 4.4 Financial Sustainability and Performance |
| Strategy 4.4.1 | Preparing and implementing short to long term financial plans. |
| Strategy 4.4.3 | Delivering and ensuring business systems and services support cost effective Council operations and service delivery. |
| Title: Governance | 4.5 Good Governance and Leadership |
| Strategy 4.5.2 | Ensuring finance and governance policies, procedures and activities align with legislative requirements and best practice. |

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:

There are no impacts to regional outcomes.

RISK MANAGEMENT:

There are no risks to be considered.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:

There are no alternative options to consider.

13 REPORTS OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

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| IS173 | EASTBOURNE RESERVE ACTIVATION PLAN |
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| AGENDA REFERENCE: | D-18-035733 |
| AUTHOR: | E O'Connor, Environmental Planning Officer |
| EXECUTIVE: | C Lee, Director Infrastructure Services |
| DATE OF REPORT: | 2 May 2018 |
| FILE REFERENCE: | GO/6/0012-05 |
| ATTACHMENTS: | Yes (x5) |
| | A. Eastbourne Reserve Masterplan |
| | B. Eastbourne Reserve Staging Plan |
| | C. Activation of Eastbourne Reserve Project Update |
| | D. Eastbourne Reserve Activation Project – Concept Forum Presentation November 2017 |
| | E. Preliminary Site Investigation |

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Sunset Beach Community Group (SBCG) in collaboration with Vigilante Landscape Architecture, have progressed a preferred option for the development of the Eastbourne Reserve through its Strategic Plan as the Eastbourne Reserve Activation Project.

The proposed masterplan has been developed through significant community consultation by the SBCG and was presented to Councillors at the November 2017 Concept Forum.

SBCG propose to self-source funding for the long-term, multi stage, development of the plan to beautify the natural open space as per the *Precinct Plan – Sunset Beach local planning* re-adopted by Council on 15 December 2015 under the City's new LPS No. 1.

The Project aligns with the City's Public Open Space Strategy and multiple aspects of the Council's Community Strategic Plan 2017-2027 and the group has identified that they will fund all components of the project.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 5.20 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. ADOPT the Eastbourne Reserve Master Plan;
2. DELEGATE authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and finalise a Memorandum of Understanding with the Sunset Beach Community Group;
3. APPROVE implementation of Stage 1 as shown on DWG 032 SD08 of the proposed development subject to a Memorandum of Understanding being established; and
4. REPORT back to Council at the conclusion of the Memorandum of Understanding.

PROPONENT:

The proponent is the Sunset Beach Community Group.

BACKGROUND:

The Sunset Beach precinct was identified as a significant development area in the growth of Greater Geraldton, and one that needs planning and urban design input to identify and guide the improvements required for it to attract urban renewal investment. The precinct planning process was the first step in identifying what and where those improvements might be.

Precinct planning was undertaken between April and July 2013 as a response to the outcomes of the '2029 and Beyond: Designing our City' project process undertaken by the former City of Geraldton-Greenough.

The *Precinct Plan – Sunset Beach Local Planning Policy* was initially adopted by Council on 28 October 2014 and subsequently re-adopted by Council on 15 December 2015 under the new LPS No. 1. This document identifies that the preferred option for Eastbourne Reserve is to retain and beautify natural open space. Consequent to this, the SBCG has been working towards realising the vision of an enhanced, natural space at Eastbourne Reserve.

Appropriate type of development on the land was identified in a meeting between City officers, Councillors and the SBCG on 28 August 2015. The Eastbourne Reserve Activation Project is an outcome of the Sunset Beach Community Group's Strategic Plan that was finalised in September 2016.

The SBCG secured grant funding to undertake landscape concept planning for the Eastbourne Reserve. Working with Vigilante Landscape Architecture, two concept plans were presented to residents through a web-based survey (21 July to 5 September 2016), and an information stall at the Glenfield IGA (23 July 2016). A third phase of community consultation was held on 31 July and 7 October 2016 with door knocking and letter drops.

From the four community engagements, 181 responses were received. The majority of which (78%) preferred the concept that has been further developed by Vigilante Landscape Architecture, and attached with the Staging Plan. This plan aligns with the Sunset Beach Planning Policy preferred option for the space. Refer Attachment C – Consultation Summary October 2016, for details of Concepts.

The Eastbourne Reserve Activation Project was presented at Councillor Concept Forum in November 2017, following an update by letter dated 22 March 2017 addressed to the Mr Ken Diehm. In this letter an action plan to progress the development of the reserve was presented. Based on that action plan, the group is now at the stage of seeking endorsement by Council for the implementation of the plan.

The SBCG propose to apply for funding directly through relevant grant programs to allow completion of each stage of the Project.

Stage 1 that this report seeks approval of as outlined in the Staging Plan, consists of planting native trees, shrubs and ground covers and a progress report will be provided to Council at the completion of the first stage. Site preparation for this initial stage will be provided as an in-kind contribution by the City's Parks and Gardens team.

COMMUNITY, ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES:

Community:

The SBCG proposal has been developed through an extensive community consultation process run by the Sunset Beach Community Group. It reflects the Sunset Beach community's aspirations for an attractive natural environment as a focal point for the area. It acknowledges the mid-Century heritage of the area's tomato growing industry, as well as enhancing space for active recreation, and increasing the aesthetic and connectivity between the beach, Caravan Park and commercial centre.

The proposal strongly aligns with the City's Community Strategic Plan and Public Open Places Strategy.

Environment:

The proposal provides beneficial environmental outcomes through the reduction of weed species and planting of local provenance plants. This will have further beneficial effects on the micro-climate of the adjoining area, and increase carbon capture through establishment of perennial plant species.

In line with the recommendations of the attached Cardno Preliminary Site Investigation report, minor remediation measures are required to be undertaken by the City prior to any development activities commencing.

Economy:

There are no adverse economic impacts.

Governance:

The SBCG has been consulted and has formally advised the City that it agrees in principle to entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the City in regards to the development, maintenance and demolition (if required) of the site. Any substantial risks or issues identified during this process to be brought back to Council for further consideration.

The MoU will clearly delineate roles and responsibilities relating to ongoing development and maintenance of the Reserve, and establish a term of duration for the Project. This will involve focussed consultation with City Parks and Gardens officers.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:

Precedents include the Batavia Coast Maritime Heritage Association for the self-funded development of Batavia Park on the Foreshore and the draft MoU developed with Friends of Geraldton Gardens (FroGGs) for the Maitland Park Botanical Gardens Proposal.

These proposals were supported on the condition that they do not increase the City's annual operational costs. The draft MoU prepared for FroGGS has been reviewed by SBCG and is intended to form the basis of their MoU with the City.

COMMUNITY/COUNCILLOR CONSULTATION:

This proposal is the result of lengthy community consultations by the SBCG, as discussed in the Background, and reflective of the *Sunset Beach Precinct Plan, Local Planning Policy V3, 2015* - refer to Section 6.0 Preferred Precinct Plan (6.2.14 The retention of Bosley Street [Eastbourne] Reserve and future establishment of a high amenity park space for passive recreation and Children's play).

This proposal was also presented to Councillors' Concept Forum in November 2017.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The proposal is aligned to the vesting of the reserve being POS, Recreation. The proposal is supported by the Sunset Beach Precinct Plan Local Planning Policy Version 3, 2015.

The proposal supports multiple aspects of the Council's Community Strategic Plan 2017-2027, as demonstrated below.

The proposal is aligned with the City's Public Open Space Strategy, 2015.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

The SBCG will be responsible for seeking all required external funding for each stage of implementation of the project.

The Proposal requires an initial expenditure by the City of \$5,000 for site remediation and clearance as per the Cardno PSI report recommendations.

City maintenance costs are anticipated to be reduced subject to the terms and conditions of the MoU and delineation of the roles and responsibilities pertaining to maintenance of the Reserve.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

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| Title: Community | 1.1 Our Heritage and the Arts |
| Strategy 1.1.1 | Recording, recognising and preserving our social, environmental and built heritage. |
| Title: Community | 1.2 Recreation and Sport |
| Strategy 1.2.2 | Encouraging informal recreation through well planned and developed public open space, cycle/walk paths and green streetscapes. |
| Title: Community | 1.5 Recognise, value and support everyone |
| Strategy 1.5.1 | Supporting and strengthening community groups, organisations and volunteer services. |

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| Title: Environment | 2.1 Revegetation-Rehabilitation-Preservation |
| Strategy 2.1.2 | Sustainably maintaining public open spaces and recreation areas. |
| Title: Environment | 2.3 Built Environment |
| Strategy 2.3.2 | Providing accessible community spaces, parks, natural areas, sport and recreational facilities that equitably service the whole community. |

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:

The site is surrounded by residential, tourist and commercial infrastructure. Improvement to the amenity of what is a highly visible and degraded space will increase the positive perception people have of Geraldton when entering the City from the North.

RISK MANAGEMENT:

1. There is a moderate risk of the SBCG being unable or unwilling to maintain the Reserve into the future. This risk will be managed through four mechanisms:
 - a. The MoU would clearly identify the obligations, rights and responsibilities of the City and the Sunset Beach Community Group to ensure that the proposal is implemented and maintained in such a manner as to identify and manage any risks; and, that should the Group be unable to continue management of the reserve, that a mechanism is in place to ensure the City is not liable for unplanned costs.
 - b. Negotiate a term of duration for the MoU.
 - c. Establish staged implementation of the project, with endorsement required from the Council prior to implementation of subsequent stages.
 - d. Supervision of staging and implementation by City Officers.

2. To ensure a consistent approach to supporting the SBCG, the following City teams have been consulted regarding possible risks in the development of this Council Agenda Item:
 - a. Land and Leasing – identified the possible risk of the Group being unable or unwilling to maintain the commitment in the future.
 - b. Parks and Gardens – supportive of the proposal as it will decrease the mowing requirement for the Reserve, and increase its amenity. The team has offered in-kind support for site preparation with the scope to be agreed prior to work commencing.
 - c. Environmental Planning – consultations with officers have ensured that appropriate native, local provenance species will be selected for the area.

3. Future development opportunities. This is a long-term risk associated with potential future development of the area. The MoU will provide surety to the SBCG for a specified period of time, with options for demolition of the site if required.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:

The following options were considered by City Officers:

- NOT adopt the Eastbourne Reserve Master Plan. This is not a preferred option, as the current proposal provides community, environmental and social benefit at no cost to the City.
- No other development options were considered alongside this proposal, as options were assessed through the Sunset Beach Precinct Plan and community consultations with and by the SBCG.

14 REPORTS OF OFFICE OF THE CEO
Nil.

15 REPORTS TO BE RECEIVED**REPORTS TO BE RECEIVED**

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| AGENDA REFERENCE: | D-18-037275 |
| AUTHOR: | R McKim, Chief Executive Officer |
| EXECUTIVE: | R McKim, Chief Executive Officer |
| DATE OF REPORT: | 7 May 2018 |
| FILE REFERENCE: | GO/6/0012-05 |
| ATTACHMENTS: | Yes (x3) 1x Confidential |
| | A. Delegated Determinations and Subdivision Applications |
| | B. Report – 2017-18 Corporate Business Plan Third Quarter Report |
| | C. Confidential Report – List of Accounts Paid Under Delegation April 2018 |

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

To receive the Reports of the City of Greater Geraldton.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:**PART A**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 5.20 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to

1. RECEIVE the following appended reports:
 - a. Reports – Development & Community Services:
 - i. DCSDD134 – Report - Delegated Determinations and Subdivision Applications; and
 - b. Reports – Corporate and Commercial Services:
 - i. CCS334 – Report – 2017-18 Corporate Business Plan Third Quarter Report.

PART B

That Council by Simple Majority, pursuant to Section 6.10 of the Local Government Act 1995 and R.13 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 RESOLVES to:

1. RECEIVE the following appended reports:
 - a. Reports – Corporate and Commercial Services:
 - i. CCS335 - Confidential Report – List of Accounts Paid Under Delegation April 2018.

PROPONENT:

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton.

BACKGROUND:

Information and items for noting or receiving (i.e. periodic reports, minutes of other meetings) are to be included in an appendix attached to the Council agenda.

Any reports received under this Agenda are considered received only. Any recommendations or proposals contained within the "Reports (including Minutes) to be Received" are not approved or endorsed by Council in any way. Any outcomes or recommendations requiring Council approval must be presented separately to Council as a Report for consideration at an Ordinary Meeting of Council.

COMMUNITY/COUNCILLOR CONSULTATION:

Not applicable.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Not applicable.

16 ELECTED MEMBERS MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

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| NM03 | NOTICE OF MOTION – NATIONAL SPACE AGENCY |
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| AGENDA REFERENCE: | D-18-038664 |
| AUTHOR: | Cr S Douglas |
| DATE OF REPORT: | 15 May 2018 |
| FILE REFERENCE: | GO/6/0008 |
| APPLICANT / PROPONENT: | Council |
| ATTACHMENTS: | No |

Councillor Comment

Over a period spanning more than two decades, the Geraldton and broader Mid West community has strongly supported the establishment of the Murchison Radio-astronomy Observatory (MRO) and its associated radio astronomy projects including the Australian SKA Pathfinder (ASKAP), the Murchison Widefield Array (MWA) and the soon to be established SKA.

Indeed, the Mid West community was pivotal in Australia's successful bid for the SKA (Stage 1 jointly to be shared between South Africa and Australia) by providing critical local knowledge and data, and presenting a uniform, community voice at international SKA Conferences in Perth, Cape Town and Banff (Canada) which preceded the SKA site decision. It was very disappointing for the local community that after being consistently being promised the SKA super computer would be based in Geraldton, it was established instead within the Pawsey Centre in Perth.

That aside, the community has continued to support the establishment of the MRO and related radio astronomy projects. These have necessitated the establishment of an optic fibre link from the MRO to CSIRO's MRO Support Facility, adjacent to the Geraldton Universities Centre and via the NBN to the Pawsey Centre in Bentley. This telecommunications infrastructure alone is a major locational factor for the National Space Agency (NSA).

Geraldton and the broader Mid West are ideally placed to play a role in the NSA given their concentration of satellite/space based facilities including:

- MRO and the MRO Support Facility;
- the Australian Defence Satellite Communications facility (Kojarena);
- the Western Australian Space Centre (Mingenew) incorporating the Swedish Space Corporation Ground Station;
- the Australian Maritime Safety Authority tracking system (Mingenew);
- the Universal Space Network ground station (Dongara); and
- the European Space Agency Deep Space Earth Station (New Norcia).

These facilities have enabled significant industry and community capability to be developed locally in what has become known as 'space central'. Further, Geraldton continues to punch above its weight in respect to innovation with the

Geraldton Universities Centre and social enterprise Pollinators leaders in their fields. A key theme within the Growing Greater Geraldton Growth Plan centres around further developing Geraldton as an innovation and knowledge hub. The NSA is clearly in keeping with this aspiration.

The NBN connected Technology Park adjacent to Geraldton Airport, plus the recent construction of TAFE's Resource Centre within that Park are further positive locational factors.

Lastly, the National Space Agency offers a unique opportunity for State and Federal Governments to think beyond capital cities and take a more pro-active, long term, pro-active view on regional economic development and how it can deliver a win-win for capital cities (less congestion, pollution etc.) as well as regional centres (dynamic, viable futures).

Executive Comment

Only limited information is publicly available regarding the range of functions or level of operational activities likely to be undertaken by – or for - the new Space Agency. It may take some time for the agency to evolve and mature, sufficient to be able to put complex submissions to government for funding for (say) development of a 'space port' and advanced aerospace activities, such as satellite launch capabilities. How extensive, and the timing of government or private sector investments in associated space vehicle tracking or telecommunications ground station investments, remains to be seen.

Seeking information from Federal and State governments at this early stage is sensible, to enable Council to develop an informed view of the potential for development and support of elements of the functions of the agency within the City district or Mid West region. Given the background provided by Cr Douglas for his motion, it is a sound move by Council to ensure that Federal and State governments are reminded of existing space-related capabilities in our region, and are left in no doubt as to the City's interest in having the Greater Geraldton district considered when sites for elements of the Space Agency's operations are being appraised.

COUNCILLOR MOTION:

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 5.20 of the Local Government Act RESOLVES to:

1. Direct the CEO to write to relevant Federal and State Government Ministers:
 - a. Outlining the City of Greater Geraldton's demonstrated commitment to 'space' initiatives including the establishment of the Murchison Radio-astronomy Observatory, ASKAP, SKA and the MWA;
 - b. Stating the City's strong interest in, and capacity to support, the operations of the National Space Agency; and
 - c. Requesting further details on the facility to identify opportunities for Geraldton and the Mid West; and

2. Request the Mayor and CEO, as opportunities arise, to meet with relevant Federal and State Ministers and agencies to better understand the operations of the National Space Agency and discuss opportunities to base at least some activities in Geraldton and the Mid West.

17 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**18 URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY PRESIDING MEMBER OR BY DECISION OF THE MEETING****19 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**

Pursuant to Section 5.2 (i) of the Meeting Procedures Local Law February 2011, please note this part of the meeting will be closed to the public, as a confidential discussion is required.

Livestreaming will be turned off.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:

That Council by Simple Majority RESOLVES to MOVE behind Closed doors in accordance with section 5.23(2) of the Local Government Act 1995 and section 5.2(i) of Meeting Procedures Local Law, that the following report is confidential as it contains information relating to a contract entered into, or may be entered into by the local government and which relates to a matter to be discussed at the meeting.

DCS368 CONFIDENTIAL ITEM – DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

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| AGENDA REFERENCE: | D-18-037390 |
| AUTHOR: | B Robartson, Manager Land and Regulatory Services |
| EXECUTIVE: | P Melling, Director Development and Community Services |
| DATE OF REPORT: | 9 May 2018 |
| FILE REFERENCE: | GO/6/0013 |
| ATTACHMENTS: | Yes (x2) Confidential |

This item has been provided to Elected Members under separate cover.

20 CLOSURE

APPENDIX 1 – ATTACHMENTS AND REPORTS TO BE RECEIVED

Attachments and Reports to be Received are available on the City of Greater Geraldton website at: <http://www.cgg.wa.gov.au/your-council/meetings>