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CITY OF GREATER GERALDTON

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY, 30 JUNE 2026 AT 5.00PM
CHAMBERS, CATHEDRAL AVENUE

M I N U T E S

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Presiding Member, Mayor J Clune, declared the meeting open at 5pm.

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 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Present:
Mayor J Clune
Cr N Colliver
Cr J Denton
Cr P Fiorenza
Cr S Giudice
Cr S Keemink
Cr T Milnes
Cr K Parker
Cr S Van Styn

Officers:
R McKim, Chief Executive Officer
P Radalj, Director of Corporate Services
C Lee, Director of Infrastructure Services
F Norling, Director of Community and Culture
T Free, Director of Development Services
S Moulds, PA to the Chief Executive Officer – Minute Secretary
N Jane, Chief Financial Officer
L Maldea, Manager Corporate Compliance
N Jane, Chief Financial Officer
C Edwards, Manager Project Delivery and Engineering
S Bishop, Manager ICT Services
P Kingdon, A/Manager Communications and Vibrancy
M Jones, Coordinator Governance
D Melling, Network and System Administrator

Others:
Members of Public: 5
Members of Press: 3

Apologies:
Nil.

Leave of Absence:
Nil.

4 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Cr T Milnes declared an impartiality interest in the Petition and CS310 City of Greater Geraldton 2026-27 budget, as he has signed a petition in respect to reject the rate rises given financial pressure on the community. Cr Milnes also acknowledges the perception of impartiality by sharing posts on Facebook to share the petition indicating a general opposition to rates rising in the middle of a cost of living crisis.

5 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

There are no questions from previous meetings.

6 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 1995 require questions to be put to the presiding member and answered by the Council. No questions can be put to individual Councillors.

To ask a question at a Council Meeting, please complete the Public Question Time form on the City's website, linked below, which also provides the procedures for Public Question Time. Questions From the Public » City of Greater Geraldton. Submit up to 3 questions by 12 noon the day prior to the meeting.

Public question commenced at 5.02pm

Bailey Kempton, Mount Tarcoola

Question
Does the city have an estimated total cost of the reconciliation action plan including external consultancy, employee cultural awareness training, fees paid to reconciliation Australia, any additional staff hires and any other costs relating to the RAP in dollar terms as well as man hours?

Response
The Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) is developed, delivered and managed by officers of the Community Development team. We don't use external consultants. We did run two engagement workshops with local Aboriginal stakeholders and we paid $55 to a local to facilitate. This also applies to cultural awareness training which is delivered inhouse. Officers from other areas of council assist with communications, document creation, promotion etc.

The City doesn't specifically track hours officers spent on engaging with the local Aboriginal community. It forms a part of their daily activities as approximately 9 - 10 percent of the Geraldton community is indigenous.

In 2025/26, the council provided a budget of $20,000 for Indigenous Affairs. These funds were used on implementation of the RAP, NAIDOC and National Reconciliation Week events and youth activities. $1,250 was paid to Reconciliation Australia for their role in development of the City's RAP

Question
Does the city have an estimated date that reconciliation will have been achieved, and can the city explain what metric is used to determine when and to what measurable level reconciliation is achieved?

Response
The City's role in reconciliation is to contribute meaningfully within our sphere of influence. Reconciliation is not something that is achieved at a single point in time or marked by a fixed end date. Rather, as recognised by Reconciliation Australia, it is an ongoing national journey focused on strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous Australians for the benefit of all.

Accordingly, the City does not set a completion date for reconciliation. Instead, we commit to continuous improvement through our RAP, which is a structured framework endorsed by Reconciliation Australia to guide practical actions over defined periods, typically two to three years at a time.

Reconciliation Australia states that reconciliation cannot be narrowed down to a single metric, rather it is assessed across Relationships, Equality and Equity, and Institutional integrity.

At a local government level, progress is measured through delivery of specific actions and commitments within our RAP which has Relationships, Respect and Opportunities as pillars.

Question
Given that the city pays fees associated with participation in Reconciliation Australia's RAP program, what direct financial or operational benefits does the city expect to receive from participating in that program and why has the city chosen to participate in the Reconciliation Australia framework rather than developing it's own reconciliation initiatives directly with local aboriginal stakeholders?

Response
Like many of the City's activities and services, participation in Reconciliation Australia's RAP framework is not undertaken for a financial return. Rather, it is an investment in improving how the organisation operates, engages with community, and delivers services in a culturally informed and effective manner.

The City has chosen to participate in the Reconciliation Australia RAP program because:

- it provides a credible, independent and nationally consistent standard;
- it provides a structured framework aligned with national objectives; and
- ongoing accountability for progress.

In developing the RAP, extensive consultation occurs with the local indigenous stakeholders.

Randall Starling, 252 Chapman Road, Beresford
Questions relate to Item Nos. CS310 City of Greater Geraldton Budget 2026-27 and IS335 Maitland Park Concept Design.

Question
CS310. Before proposing the original 5.9% increase in rates, now revised to 4.5%, did Council undertake a review to identify net budget savings that could reduce the need for a rate increase? If so, what was the total value of those savings? If not, why was a rate increase proposed before undertaking such a review?

Response
As part of the budget process the City annually undertakes a detailed review of each function within the organisation analysing the following:

- revenue and cost movements including trends, opportunities and cyclical adjustments; and
- service level requirements.

From a financial planning perspective, applying the underlying principles of the City's Long Term Financial Plan:

- Maintaining a small but positive result from Ordinary Operating Activities.
- A level of expenditure to renew assets to maintain capacity of performance and associated level of services.
- Maintaining a sustainable liquidity position.
- Endeavour to avoid revenue raising shocks to the community.

From initial drafts presented to Council via workshops conducted over the last three months to the current proposed operating budget being presented tonight, the City has reduced operating expenditure by $3.8million with the objective to maintain current service levels.

Question
CS310. What policy principles and financial modelling did Council use to determine the proposed Unimproved Value (UV) rate in the dollar, and why was a different approach taken to the UV rate in the dollar compared with the GRV rate in the dollar?

Response
In 2025, an internal review of the City's rating methodology was conducted and presented to Council, focusing on fairness, equity and alignment with strategic objectives. As part of this process, a comparative assessment was undertaken of the rates applied to UV properties adjoining the City of Greater Geraldton and neighbouring Shires.

The analysis was designed to ensure a consistent, like-for-like comparison of rate-in-the-dollar against property valuations, taking into account the differing taxation levels across local governments. Findings confirmed that the City's UV rate is substantially lower than those of adjoining Shires, with rural properties within the City paying, on average, significantly less than comparable properties in neighbouring municipalities.

Importantly, even with the proposed increase, the City will continue to maintain a significantly lower UV rate than surrounding Shires.

Question
IS335. The report states that the detailed cost plan and draft Triple Bottom Line Business Case have not yet been completed. When will the estimated capital cost and draft Business Case be publicly released, and will both be made available before Council makes any decision to commit to construction?

Response
The City secured funding for the Green Connect Project that includes developing planning, detailed design and a comprehensive business case for a multi-use parkland precinct at Maitland Park. The current project is fully (100%) funded under Stream One of the Australian Governments Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program and at this time, no further funding is available or has been committed to by council to undertake any construction work in the future.

The current programme forecasts completion of the detailed design and business case for formal presentation to Council around April / May 2027, which is planned to include the design and business case as publicly available attachments to a report. Council will then be able to consider all of the information provided within the business case and its appetite or otherwise to fund, or co fund subject to any grant funding that may be available for the project, any or all of the construction works.

Public question time concluded at 5.12pm

7 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Existing Approved Leave

Councillor	From	To (inclusive)	Date Approved
Cr K Parker	12 July 2026	22 July 2026	31/03/2026

**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.*

If an Elected Member on Approved Leave subsequently attends a meeting, this will be noted in the Minutes at 'Record of Attendance'.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**:**
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 2.25 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. APPROVE Leave of Absence for:
   a. Cr P Fiorenza for the period 25 August to 25 September 2026.

Cr S Van Styn submitted a leave of absence request prior to the Council meeting.

COUNCIL DECISION
MOVED CR COLLIVER, SECONDED CR DENTON
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 2.25 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. **APPROVE Leave of Absence for:**
   a. **Cr P Fiorenza for the period 25 August to 25 September 2026; and**
   b. **Cr Van Styn for the period 24 August to 27 August 2026.**

CARRIED 9/0
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Summary of results:

ITEM	COUNT
Yes	9
No	0
TOTAL VOTES	9

Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes
Cr Fiorenza	Yes
Cr Giudice	Yes
Cr Keemink	Yes
Cr Milnes	Yes
Cr Parker	Yes
Cr Van Styn	Yes

8 PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS

PETITION - TO REJECT ANY RATE RISE AND FIND SAVINGS IN THE CITY'S BUDGET INSTEAD

AGENDA REFERENCE:	**D-26-075992**
AUTHOR:	**L Maldea, Manager Corporate Compliance**
EXECUTIVE:	**P Radalj, Director of Corporate Services**
DATE OF REPORT:	**30 June 2026**
FILE REFERENCE:	**GO/6/0003**
ATTACHMENTS:	**Yes(x1) Petition**

A compliant petition was received on 29 June 2026, after the publishing of the Agenda and one day prior to June's Ordinary Council Meeting. The petition is signed by approximately 300 people and seeks Council "to reject any rate rise and find savings in the City's budget instead".

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

1. RECEIVE the petition requesting Council to reject any rate rise and look for savings in the City's budget; and
2. ACKNOWLEDGE that Council's 2026/27 budget deliberation process has adequately addressed the issues raised by the petition and is considered under Item CS310.

The *City of Greater Geraldton Meeting Procedures Local Law 2011* states that Council is not to vote on a matter that is the subject of a petition presented to that meeting unless the matter is the subject of a report included in the agenda; and Council has considered the issues raised in the petition.

This petition is presented to Council and its receipt is recorded. As part of the 2026-27 budget process, City Officers have held numerous budget workshops and briefings (since February) with Council Members to assist their understanding of the City's financial position, proposed service levels, capital works program and funding requirements. These workshops were specifically intended to support informed decision-making in relation to the annual budget. Similarly, the proposed differential rates were the subject of extensive deliberation throughout the budget development process. Various financial modelling scenarios were undertaken by City Officers and presented to Council, resulting in amendments to the proposed budget, including review of operating and capital expenditure, before arriving at the current recommendation.

As such, it can reasonably be said that Council has already had substantial opportunity to consider the issues raised in the petition as part of its budget deliberations. Further, the proposed differential rates were subject to a public notice period, during which members of the community were invited to make

submissions. A number of submissions were received and considered by Council and City Officers, including submissions raising concerns regarding cost-of-living pressures and the affordability of any rate increase. Council has already considered the issues raised by the petition through the budget development and consultation process undertaken over recent months and is therefore sufficiently informed to decide on the budget in accordance with the *City of Greater Geraldton Meeting Procedures Local Law 2011* section 5.10(3). Formal consideration of the petition forms part of Item CS310.

Cr T Milnes declared an impartiality interest in the Petition, as he has signed a petition in respect to reject the rate rises given financial pressure on the community. Cr Milnes also acknowledges the perception of impartiality by sharing posts on Facebook to share the petition indicating a general opposition to rates rising in the middle of a cost of living crisis. Cr Milnes remained in Chambers during the debate.

COUNCIL DECISION
MOVED MAYOR, SECONDED CR FIORENZA
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 5.20 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. **RECEIVE the petition requesting Council to reject any rate rise and look for savings in the City's budget; and**
2. **ACKNOWLEDGE that Council's 2026/27 budget deliberation process has adequately addressed the issues raised by the petition and is considered under Item CS310.**

CARRIED 8/1
30/06/2026 5:19:46 PM
Summary of results:

ITEM	COUNT
Yes	8
No	1
TOTAL VOTES	9

Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes
Cr Fiorenza	Yes
Cr Giudice	Yes
Cr Keemink	Yes
Cr Parker	Yes
Cr Van Styn	Yes
Cr Milnes	No

9 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 26 May 2026, as previously circulated, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

COUNCIL DECISION
MOVED CR COLLIVER, SECONDED CR DENTON
RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 26 May 2026, as previously circulated, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED 9/0

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Summary of results:

ITEM	COUNT
Yes	9
No	0
TOTAL VOTES	9

Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes
Cr Fiorenza	Yes
Cr Giudice	Yes
Cr Keemink	Yes
Cr Milnes	Yes
Cr Parker	Yes
Cr Van Styn	Yes

10 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIR AND PRESENTATIONS

Events attended by the Mayor or designated representative

DATE	FUNCTION	REPRESENTATIVE
27 May 2026	Photo for Media - Geraldton Kite Festival	Mayor Jerry Clune
27 May 2026	Triple M Interview - Outcomes of Council Meeting 2026	Mayor Jerry Clune
27 May 2026	Radio Geraldton Interview – Outcomes of Council Meeting	Mayor Jerry Clune
27 May 2026	Filming for the Outcome of Council Meeting - Coffee with a Councillor - with Deputy Mayor Cr Natasha Colliver	Mayor Jerry Clune
27 May 2026	The West End Precinct Update meeting with Blair Armstrong	Mayor Jerry Clune
28 May 2026	Progressive Green Steel (PGS) Visit	Mayor Jerry Clune
29 May 2026	Photo for Media - Station Square Opening	Mayor Jerry Clune
29 May 2026	Geraldton Regional Library Presentation of 'Your Move' Active Travel Library Books	Mayor Jerry Clune
29 May 2026	Geraldton Softball Association - Utakarra Dugout Redevelopment - June Carnival 2026 Opening and Grant Acknowledgement	Mayor Jerry Clune
30 May 2026	Mullewa Muster and Rodeo	Mayor Jerry Clune
2 June 2026	ABC Breakfast Interview - History of Mayoral Chain	Mayor Jerry Clune
2 June 2026	Mayor/CEO/Deputy Mayor Catch Up	Mayor Jerry Clune
2 June 2026	Concept Forum	Mayor Jerry Clune
3 June 2026	Mid West Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MWCCI) Mid West Economic Forum	Mayor Jerry Clune
4 June 2026	Northern Agricultural Catchments Council (NACC) interview with Kane Watson	Mayor Jerry Clune
5 June 2026	Leaning Tree Steiner School Visit - Council Chambers and Mock Council Meeting	Mayor Jerry Clune
6 June 2026	128th Philippine Independence Day Celebrations	Mayor Jerry Clune
6 June 2026	Geraldton Kite Festival Launch	Mayor Jerry Clune
8 June 2026	Mayor/CEO/Deputy Mayor Catch Up	Mayor Jerry Clune
8 June 2026	Marketing & Media Regular Catch up	Mayor Jerry Clune
8 June 2026	Citizenship Ceremony	Mayor Jerry Clune
10 June 2026	Radio Geraldton Interview – MWCCI Mid West Economic Forum and Works Updates	Mayor Jerry Clune
10 June 2026	GWN Interview - Tourism	Mayor Jerry Clune
11 June 2026	7NEWS Interview - Wet Weather Precautions	Mayor Jerry Clune
12 June 2026	Mid West Development Commission (MWDC) Board Meeting	Mayor Jerry Clune
13 June 2026	Spalding Boxthorn Blitz Workshop with Dr Ben Gooden from CSIRO	Deputy Mayor Cr Natasha Colliver
13 June 2026	Centacare Community Gala	Deputy Mayor Cr Natasha Colliver
15 June 2026	Mayor/CEO/Deputy Mayor Catch Up	Mayor Jerry Clune
15 June 2026	Northern Country Zone Meeting (NCZ) - June	Mayor Jerry Clune

15 June 2026	NCZ - Future of Local Government in the Midwest Workshop	Mayor Jerry Clune
16 June 2026	Murchison Green Hydrogen Briefing	Mayor Jerry Clune
17 June 2026	Radio Geraldton Interview - City Projects, Olive Street, Mahomet's	Mayor Jerry Clune
17 June 2026	Photo for Media Release - Community Nursery	Mayor Jerry Clune
17 June 2026	ABC Radio Interview - Beresford Beach Closure	Mayor Jerry Clune
18 June 2026	CH 7 Bunbury – El Niño Impact	Mayor Jerry Clune
18 June 2026	Sail Training Ship (STS) Leeuwin II Visit - Meet the Captain and Volunteers	Mayor Jerry Clune
19 June 2026	Tesla Power Station Update	Mayor Jerry Clune
21 June 2026	International Yoga Day celebration	Deputy Mayor Cr Natasha Colliver
22 June 2026	Mayor/CEO/Deputy Mayor Catch Up	Mayor Jerry Clune
22 June 2026	Marketing & Media Regular Catch up	Mayor Jerry Clune
22 June 2026	Geraldton Guardian Interview - Budget and Scooter Expression of Interest (EOI)	Mayor Jerry Clune
23 June 2026	Agenda Forum	Mayor Jerry Clune
24 June 2026	Financial Counsellors' Association WA (FCAWA) - Regional Forum	Mayor Jerry Clune
25 June 2026	Photo for Media - Painting of New Foreshore Changerooms	Mayor Jerry Clune
25 June 2026	Moonyoonooka Bushfire Brigade AGM	Mayor Jerry Clune
26 June 2026	Monthly Mullewa Catch Up - June	Mayor Jerry Clune
27 June 2026	Consulate General of the Republic of Indonesia in Perth - Introductory Meeting	Mayor Jerry Clune
27 June 2026	Towns Football Club 1976 League Premiership 50th Anniversary Reunion	Mayor Jerry Clune
29 June 2026	Mayor/CEO/Deputy Mayor Catch Up	Mayor Jerry Clune
30 June 2026	Geraldton Police Aboriginal Advisory Group (GPAAG) Meeting - June	Mayor Jerry Clune
30 June 2026	Ordinary Meeting of Council	Mayor Jerry Clune

Note: Whilst it is noted that Council Members may have also been in attendance at the above events, this is a record of attendance by the Mayor, or where a Council Member has been asked to represent the Mayor.

11 UNRESOLVED BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

There was none.

12 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS

12.1 REPORTS OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

DS098 PROPOSED LOCAL PLANNING SCHEME AMENDMENT – TOURISM REZONING, WEST END

AGENDA REFERENCE:	**D-26-066404**
AUTHOR:	**N Browne, Coordinator Statutory Planning**
EXECUTIVE:	**T Free, Director Development Services**
DATE OF REPORT:	**4 June 2026**
FILE REFERENCE:	**LP/14/0021**
ATTACHMENTS:	**Yes(x1)** **Scheme Amendment Report**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The City has received a Local Planning Scheme Amendment (the Amendment) proposing to rezone a portion of Reserve 31658 Marine Terrace, West End from Local Scheme Reserve 'Environmental Conservation Reserve' to 'Tourism' with a density of R80 and inserting a number of additional site and development requirements. Reserve 31658 is Crown Land vested in the City of Greater Geraldton for the purpose of 'Parklands'.

This report recommends that Council initiate the amendment and determine that the rezoning is a 'standard' amendment.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:

PART A

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Part 5, Section 75 of the *Planning and Development Act 2005* RESOLVES to:

1. REZONE a portion of 'Reserve 31658' Marine Terrace, West End, Geraldton from Local Scheme Reserve 'Environmental Conservation Reserve' to 'Tourism' with a density of R80 and ASR1 allocation as depicted on the Scheme Map;
2. INTRODUCE ASR1 Additional Site Requirements into the OTHER CATEGORIES section of the LEGEND on the Scheme Maps.
3. INSERT the following into Table 14 at clause 4.8.1 of the Scheme Text:

No.	Description of Land	Requirement
ASR1	Portion of Reserve 31658 Marine Terrace, West End	1. Development proposed to be located within 20 metres from the eastern side boundary will require approval of the local government and in considering any application the local government shall have regard to: (a) State Planning Policy 2.6 Coastal Planning; (b) State Planning Policy 5.4 Road and Rail Noise; (c) The Quiet House Design Standards. 2. Existing vegetation along the eastern side boundary adjacent to the Southern Transport railway and road corridor is to be

		retained unless otherwise approved by the local government.

PART B

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Part 5, Division 1, Regulation 35 of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015* RESOLVES to:

1. DETERMINE that the rezoning is a 'standard' amendment;
2. MAKE the determination on the following grounds:
   a. The amendment is consistent with the local planning strategy for the scheme that has been endorsed by the Commission; and
   b. The amendment will have minimal impact on land in the scheme area that is not the subject of the amendment.

PART C

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Part 5, Division 3, Regulation 46A of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015* RESOLVES *to:*

1. PROCEED to seek approval to advertise the amendment to the Local Planning Scheme without modification.

PROPONENT:

The proponent is Halsall & Associates on behalf of Summerstar Pty Ltd (Belair Gardens Caravan Park).

Summerstar Pty Ltd lease reserve 29173 on the basis that the reserve is Crown Land vested in the City of Greater Geraldton for the purpose of 'Caravan Park' and 'Tourism'.

BACKGROUND:

The Belair Gardens Caravan Park is located on Marine Terrace in West End approximately 2.5km south-west of the Geraldton city centre. The caravan park currently operates within Reserve 29173 which consists of multiple lots which are all zoned 'Tourism' with a density of R80. Immediately adjoining the caravan park to the east and south is the area subject to this amendment, being Reserve 31658 which is zoned 'Environmental Conservation Reserve'.

Over time, elements of the caravan park have extended into Reserve 31658, including caravan and camp sites, cabins and landscaped areas. This encroachment was recently identified as part of the City's lease renewal process. To address this, the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) has proposed incorporating a portion of Reserve 31658 into Reserve 29173, which is the reserve leased by the caravan park operator.

The incorporation of this portion into Reserve 29173 will result in the reserve being subject to two different zonings under the Local Planning Scheme No. 1 (the Scheme). The Amendment is therefore required to address this anomaly and ensure a consistent zoning is applied that reflects and supports the ongoing use of the land for tourism purposes.

The Amendment proposes to rezone the portion of Reserve 31658 from its current zoning of 'Environmental Conservation Reserve' to 'Tourism' with a density of R80.

The Amendment also proposes to introduce site-specific requirements into clause 4.8.1 "Additional Site and Development Requirements" within Table 14 of the Scheme. These requirements address the proximity of the portion of Reserve 31658 to the adjacent infrastructure corridor, as well as the important role existing vegetation on-site plays in providing a visual and amenity buffer. These requirements are intended to support the ongoing tourism use of the site while ensuring future development appropriately addresses these considerations.

The Scheme will be amended to update Table 14, as set out below:

No.	Description of Land	Requirement
ASR1	Portion of Reserve 31658 Marine Terrace, West End	1. Development proposed to be located within 20 metres from the eastern side boundary will require approval of the local government and in considering any application the local government shall have regard to: (a) State Planning Policy 2.6 Coastal Planning; (b) State Planning Policy 5.4 Road and Rail Noise; (c) The Quiet House Design Standards. 2. Existing vegetation along the eastern side boundary adjacent to the Southern Transport railway and road corridor is to be retained unless otherwise approved by the local government.

The Scheme Amendment Report is provided as Attachment No. DS098, and a summarised diagram of the proposed outcome is presented below:



It is noted that these site-specific requirements will not alter or be unduly onerous on the existing development potential of the Belair Caravan Park, as they apply only to the portion of land currently zoned 'Environmental Conservation Reserve'.

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING – ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Connected:
The Amendment ensures that public land is appropriately reserved, zoned, and managed in alignment with its actual use, supporting accountability to the community.

Liveable:
The Amendment introduces site and development requirements that respond to the proximity of the infrastructure corridor and recognise the value of existing vegetation, helping to protect local amenity and environmental quality.

As part of the amendment process, and prior to public advertising, the Environmental Protection Authority is required to assess the amendment under Part IV of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986.*

Thriving:
The Amendment supports a consistent zoning framework that enables the ongoing use and rationalisation of the land as part of the Belair Gardens Caravan Park, contributing to the City's tourism offering and economic activity.

Leading:
The Amendment process is supported by appropriate technical and planning information provided by the proponent, enabling Council to make an informed, responsible and transparent decision in line with statutory requirements.

Disclosure of Interest:
No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:
There have been several previous amendments to the Scheme since it was gazetted in December 2015. The Local Planning Scheme can be amended to ensure that critical issues affecting development are addressed and the document is responding to changing circumstances in a timely manner.

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:
In accordance with the *Planning and Development Act 2005* and the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015,* should Council resolve to initiate the amendment the application is to be referred to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) for assessment and to the Western Australian Planning Commission for approval to advertise.

At this stage of the process, no consultation has occurred, as this is undertaken through the formal public advertising process only once approval to advertise is received.
Upon advertising approval being granted, the application is to be publicly advertised for a period of 42 days in accordance with the requirements of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*.

At the conclusion of the public advertising period, the Amendment will be returned to Council for consideration. The agenda item will include a schedule of submissions, should any be received. Council will then be required to resolve to either support the amendment, with or without modification, or not support the amendment.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Planning and Development Act 2005
Part 5, Section 75 of the *Planning and Development Act 2005* provides for a local government to amend a local planning scheme.

Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015
Part 5, Division 1, Regulation 35 of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015* requires that the local government resolution must specify whether, in the opinion of the local government the amendment is a basic, standard or complex amendment.

In essence a ‘basic’ amendment is one that corrects an administrative error in the scheme or rectifies a zoning anomaly.

A ‘standard’ amendment is one that is consistent with a local planning strategy, would have minimal impact on land in the area and does not result in any significant impacts on the land.

A ‘complex’ amendment is one that is not consistent with a local planning strategy and is of a scale that will have an impact that is significant relative to the development in the locality.

This Amendment is considered to be a ‘standard’ amendment.

City of Greater Geraldton Local Planning Scheme No. 1
The subject land is currently zoned Local Scheme Reserve ‘Environmental Conservation Reserve’ under Local Planning Scheme No. 1 (the Scheme) and the amendment proposes to rezone the land to ‘Tourism’.

The objectives of the ‘Tourism’ zone are to:

(a) promote and provide for tourism opportunities;
(b) provide for a variety of holiday accommodation styles and associated uses, including retail and service facilities where those facilities are provided in support of the tourist accommodation and are of an appropriate scale where they will not impact detrimentally on the surrounding or wider area;
(c) allow limited residential uses where appropriate; and
(d) encourage the location of tourist facilities so that they may benefit from existing road services, physical service infrastructure, other tourist attractions, natural features and urban facilities.

The Amendment is considered to be consistent with these objectives, noting that the land subject to the Amendment is currently used for caravan park purposes in association with the Belair Gardens Caravan Park.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:
The proponent has paid the required fee, which is expected to cover the costs incurred in processing the proposed planning scheme amendment.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Thriving	**An economically diverse and prosperous City, driving sustainable growth while preserving our local spirit.**
Goal 3	Plan for the sustainable growth of the City, balancing the needs of current and future populations.
Goal 5	Support and promote diverse tourism offerings, making the City a destination of choice.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:
Local Planning Strategy
This Strategy represents the land use planning response to the City’s strategic community vision. It guides long-term land use planning and provides the rationale for land use and development controls.

The general location of the Belair Gardens Caravan Park has been identified in the Strategy as ‘Strategic Tourism’. The Strategy lists a number of tourism actions, the most relevant being to:

- Include a Tourism zone for sites considered to be of a strategic nature to ensure the sites are primarily retained for tourist purposes; and
- Ensure Caravan Parks retain an adequate supply of caravan and camping sites for short-stay/visitor use.

The Amendment is considered to be consistent with these actions as it proposes to rezone land currently used for tourism accommodation purposes while retaining the existing supply of caravan and camping sites. In doing so, the Amendment supports the ongoing viability of a strategic tourism asset and aligns with the City's broader economic and land use objectives.

RISK MANAGEMENT:
Not initiating this amendment would result in the City's statutory planning framework becoming outdated, reducing its effectiveness in guiding informed and consistent decision-making.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:
It is considered that the Amendment is consistent with the local planning framework and reflects both the current and historic use of the property. The Amendment will also ensure that the Scheme accurately reflects and supports the current tourism operation. For these reasons, the option to not support the initiation of the Amendment is not recommended.

The option to defer the matter is also not recommended, as Officers consider that sufficient information has been provided to enable Council to make an informed decision.

The consolidation of the reserves and the progression of the Scheme Amendment will facilitate a review of the lease area and terms. During the preparation of the lease documentation, consideration will be given to including protections for the existing vegetation and requirements for modifications to existing dwellings.

COUNCIL DECISION
MOVED CR COLLIVER, SECONDED CR KEEMINK

PART A
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Part 5, Section 75 of the *Planning and Development Act 2005* RESOLVES to:

1. **REZONE a portion of 'Reserve 31658' Marine Terrace, West End, Geraldton from Local Scheme Reserve 'Environmental Conservation Reserve' to 'Tourism' with a density of R80 and ASR1 allocation as depicted on the Scheme Map;**
2. **INTRODUCE ASR1 Additional Site Requirements into the OTHER CATEGORIES section of the LEGEND on the Scheme Maps.**
3. **INSERT the following into Table 14 at clause 4.8.1 of the Scheme Text:**

No.	Description of Land	Requirement
ASR1	Portion of Reserve 31658 Marine Terrace, West End	1. Development proposed to be located within 20 metres from the eastern side boundary will require approval of the local government and in considering any application the local government shall have regard to: (a) State Planning Policy 2.6 Coastal Planning; (b) State Planning Policy 5.4 Road and Rail Noise; (c) The Quiet House Design Standards. 2. Existing vegetation along the eastern side boundary adjacent to the Southern Transport railway and road corridor is to be retained unless otherwise approved by the local government.

PART B

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Part 5, Division 1, Regulation 35 of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015* RESOLVES to:

1. **DETERMINE that the rezoning is a 'standard' amendment;**
2. **MAKE the determination on the following grounds:**
   a. **The amendment is consistent with the local planning strategy for the scheme that has been endorsed by the Commission; and**
   b. **The amendment will have minimal impact on land in the scheme area that is not the subject of the amendment.**

PART C

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Part 5, Division 3, Regulation 46A of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015* RESOLVES *to:*

1. **PROCEED to seek approval to advertise the amendment to the Local Planning Scheme without modification.**

CARRIED 9/0

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Summary of results:

ITEM	COUNT
Yes	9
No	0
TOTAL VOTES	9

Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes
Cr Fiorenza	Yes
Cr Giudice	Yes
Cr Keemink	Yes

Cr Milnes	**Yes**
Cr Parker	**Yes**
Cr Van Styn	**Yes**

12.2 REPORTS OF COMMUNITY AND CULTURE – NIL

There were none.

12.3 REPORTS OF CORPORATE SERVICES

CS308	COUNCIL POLICY 4.9 PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES
AGENDA REFERENCE:	**D-26-066239**
AUTHOR:	**L Maldea, Manager Corporate Compliance**
EXECUTIVE:	**P Radalj, Director Corporate Services**
DATE OF REPORT:	**29 May 2026**
FILE REFERENCE:	**GO/19/0008**
ATTACHMENTS:	**Yes (x2)** **A. Draft Council Policy 4.9 Procurement of Goods and Services (v6)** **B. Comparison Table - Council Policy 4.9 Procurement of Goods and Services**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval of revised Council Policy 4.9 Procurement of Goods and Services, version 6. The policy has undergone its biennial review with proposed changes detailed in the attached comparison table (Attachment No. CS308B).

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Sections 2.7 and 5.20 of the *Local Government Act 1995* RESOLVES to:

1. APPROVE Council Policy 4.9 Procurement of Goods and Services, version 6.

PROPONENT:
The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

BACKGROUND:
Council Policy 4.9 Procurement of Goods and Services (the Procurement Policy) is due for review. Consultation with City Officers and workshops were held to understand how changes to the procurement policy can assist in achieving operational efficiency, best value for money, and the City becoming more business friendly.

The proposed updates to the Procurement Policy can be said to form part of several measures taken to improve operational and administrative efficiency.

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING – ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Connected:
There are no adverse impacts.

Liveable:
There are no adverse impacts.

Thriving:
The Procurement Policy seeks to ensure that the City continues to support locally sourced goods and services with a renewed and business friendlier approach.

Leading:
The Procurement Policy balances legislative requirements and best practices with enhanced operational efficiency delivering value for money, and effective and ethical management of the City's procurement activities.

Disclosure of Interest:
No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:
Council policies are reviewed and endorsed by Council on a regular basis. Council Policy 4.9 Procurement of Goods and Services, version 5 was approved by Council on 29 August 2023 (Item No. CS059).

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:
Council Members were provided with the revised draft of the Procurement Policy, and the contents were discussed at Concept Forum on 12 May 2026.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:
Under Regulation 11A of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996*, local governments must adopt a purchasing policy:

> ***11A. Purchasing policies for local governments***
>
> *(1) A local government is to prepare or adopt, and is to implement, a purchasing policy in relation to contracts for other persons to supply goods or services where the consideration under the contract is, or is expected to be, $250 000 or less or worth $250 000 or less.*

Pursuant to section 2.7 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, the role of Council includes determination of Council Policies:

> ***2.7. Role of council***
>
> *(1) The council governs the local government's affairs and, as the local government's governing body, is responsible for the performance of the local government's functions.*
>
> *(2) The council's governing role includes the following —*
>
> *…*
>
> *(b) determining the local government's policies;*

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:
There are no resource implications involved in implementing the revised Procurement Policy.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Thriving	**An economically diverse and prosperous City, driving sustainable growth while preserving our local spirit.**

Goal 1	Support existing businesses and attract new investment, contributing to a vibrant CBD and other key activity centres.
Goal 2	Support and champion our diverse mix of industries, encouraging innovation and local employment opportunities.
Strategic Theme: Leading	**A progressive City where informed decisions, strong advocacy and an enabling culture drives sustainable regional growth.**
Goal 2	Efficiently and effectively deliver community services and projects, through optimal use of our resources.
Goal 5	Provide the community with clear and accessible information about the City's programs, services and decisions.
Goal 6	Ensure high quality governance activities enabling transparency and accountability.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:
The Procurement Policy provides direction and commitment to sourcing local goods and services where possible.

RISK MANAGEMENT:
The Procurement Policy is designed to ensure the City maintains its procurement compliance and probity responsibilities. As such, this policy and its supporting procedures provide a mechanism for mitigating risks relating to procurement and probity matters.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:
In reaching the recommendation, City Officers considered not making any changes to the Procurement Policy. This option is not recommended as the revised version of the Procurement Policy will bring operational efficiencies and make the City a business friendlier organisation. Council may choose to consider alternative amendments to the policy this is a matter for the Council.

COUNCIL DECISION
MOVED CR KEEMINK, SECONDED CR COLLIVER
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Sections 2.7 and 5.20 of the *Local Government Act 1995* RESOLVES to:

1. **APPROVE Council Policy 4.9 Procurement of Goods and Services, version 6.**

CARRIED 9/0

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Summary of results:

ITEM	COUNT
Yes	9
No	0
TOTAL VOTES	9

Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes
Cr Fiorenza	Yes
Cr Giudice	Yes
Cr Keemink	Yes
Cr Milnes	Yes
Cr Parker	Yes
Cr Van Styn	Yes

CS309 ANNUAL REVIEW OF DELEGATIONS AND AUTHORISATIONS

AGENDA REFERENCE:	**D-26-066242**
AUTHOR:	**M Jones, Coordinator Governance and Risk**
EXECUTIVE:	**P Radalj, Director Corporate Services**
DATE OF REPORT:	**22 May 2026**
FILE REFERENCE:	**GO/6/0029-003**
ATTACHMENTS:	**Yes (x3)** **A. Draft Delegation Register 2026-2027 Version 1** **B. Draft Authorisation Register 2026-2027 Version 1.0 – Extract** **C. Local Government Operational Guideline Delegations, Authorisations and Acting Through**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval of delegations to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) as recorded in the Draft Delegation Register 2026-2027 Version 1 and obtain approval for authorisations identified in the Draft Authorisation Register 2026-2027 Version 1.0 – Extract.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:
That Council by Absolute Majority pursuant to Sections 5.42 and 9.49A of the *Local Government Act 1995,* and Regulation 11 of the *Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021* RESOLVES to:

1. ENDORSE the review of delegations in accordance with section 5.46 of the *Local Government Act 1995*;
2. DELEGATE to the Chief Executive Officer and other employees the exercise of local government powers and the discharge of local government duties as recorded in the Draft Delegation Register 2026-2027 Version 1 (Attachment No. CS309A); and
3. AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer and other employees the powers and duties as specified in the Draft Authorisation Register 2026-2027 Version 1.0 – Extract (Attachment No. CS309B).

PROPONENT:
The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

BACKGROUND:
Section 5.42 of the *Local Government Act 1995* (the Act) provides that a local government may delegate to the CEO the exercise of any of its powers or the discharge of any of its duties, other than those expressly excluded or limited under section 5.43 of the Act. This includes powers and duties conferred under other legislation where delegation is permitted, such as sections 214(2), (3) and (5) of the *Planning and Development Act 2005*, section 48 of the *Bush Fires Act 1954*, and section 118 of the *Food Act 2008*. Any delegation made by Council may be subject to conditions imposed by Council.

Under section 5.44 of the Act, the CEO may sub-delegate to any employee of the local government the exercise of any of the CEO's delegated powers or duties, other than the power of delegation. Any such sub-delegation is subject to conditions imposed by the CEO, in addition to any conditions imposed by Council.

Section 5.46 of the Act requires the CEO to maintain a register of all delegations made to the CEO and to employees. The Act further requires that delegations made under Division 4 are reviewed by the delegator at least once every financial year. Council last conducted a review of its delegations on 24 June 2025 (Item No. CS223), and accordingly, a further review is now required to meet statutory obligations.

All current delegations by Council and the CEO are documented in the Draft Delegation Register 2026-2027 Version 1.

In addition to the delegation framework outlined above, certain statutory functions are required to be established through formal authorisation. Regulation 11(3) of the *Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021* requires Council to formally authorise, in writing, one or more persons to receive complaints and notices of withdrawal of complaints. The CEO was formally authorised under Regulation 11 by Council on 23 February 2021 (Item No. CCS570). Advice was received to include this authorisation as part of the formal register containing the authorisations from Council to the CEO.

Similarly, section 9.49A(4) of the *Local Government Act 1995* enables Council to authorise the CEO, another employee, or an agent to sign documents on behalf of the local government. These functions are therefore captured as formal authorisations in accordance with the relevant legislative requirements. These authorisations are documented in the Draft Authorisation Register 2026-2027 Version 1.0 – Extract.

City Officers have undertaken an administrative review of the Delegation and Authorisation Registers and prepared the Draft Delegation Register 2026-2027 Version 1 and Draft Authorisation Register 2026-2027 Version 1.0 – Extract for Council review and consideration. The draft registers were reviewed and endorsed by the City's Executive Management Team on 10 June 2026. The registers have been updated as Attachment No. CS309A and CS309B.

Changes to the Delegation Register proposed in this annual review are listed in the Table of Amendments commencing on page 185 of Attachment No. CS309A.

Delegation 1.1.21 has been revised to include disposal of land and buildings which reflects the legislature's intention. This change allows the administration to operate more efficiently and within the parameters set by Council.

A further change relates to the CEO's delegation to award tenders. A new program of Annual Corporate Supply Contracts will be provided to Council for

endorsement. As part of this program, the CEO's delegation is extended to award tenders up to the value of $1,000,000 or up to a 20% variance of the budget approved by Council.

Significant changes have also been made to the Financial Delegations (previous references 1.2.23, 1.2.24 and 1.2.27) following WALGA advice.

Importantly, previous Delegation 1.2.40 has now been removed from the Delegation Register and an extract of this Authorisation has been provided to Council for resolution. Following WALGA advice, the authorisation has been extended to a larger number of the City's employees responsible for executing documents as part of their normal functions and responsibilities.

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING – ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Connected:
There are no adverse impacts.

Liveable:
Without the ability to delegate to the CEO and other employees Council would be required to process all delegation related decisions, this may reduce efficiency and impede the ability to deliver effective services to the community.

Thriving:
There are no adverse impacts.

Leading:
Council is required by the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1995* to review the delegations made under Division 4, once every financial year.

Disclosure of Interest:
No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:
Delegations were reviewed and those recorded in the 2025-2026 Delegation Register were adopted by Council on 24 June 2025 (Item No. CS223).

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:
Councillors were provided with a summary of the changes relating to Delegation 1.1.17 and 1.1.21, and a discussion was held on 12 May 2026 at the May Concept Forum. Further, the draft register was provided during the Council Agenda review process.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:
Local Government Act 1995:

5.42 Delegation of some powers and duties to the CEO

(1) A local government may delegate to the CEO the exercise of any of its powers or the discharge of any of its duties under —*

(a) this Act other than those referred to in Section 5.43; or

(b) the Planning and Development Act 2005 section 214(2), (3) or (5).

** Absolute Majority required*

(2) A delegation under this section is to be in writing and may be general or as otherwise provided in the instrument of delegation.

5.43. Limits on delegations to CEO

A local government cannot delegate to a CEO any of the following powers or duties —

(a) any power or duty that requires a decision of an absolute majority of the council;

(b) accepting a tender which exceeds an amount determined by the local government for the purpose of this paragraph;

(c) appointing an auditor;

(d) acquiring or disposing of any property valued at an amount exceeding an amount determined by the local government for the purpose of this paragraph;

(e) any of the local government's powers under section 5.98, 5.98A, 5.99, 5.99A or 5.100;

(f) borrowing money on behalf of the local government;

(g) hearing or determining an objection of a kind referred to in section 9.5;

(ha) the power under section 9.49A(4) to authorise a person to sign documents on behalf of the local government;

(h) any power or duty that requires the approval of the Minister or the Governor;

(i) such other powers or duties as may be prescribed.

5.46 Register of, and records relevant to, delegations to CEO and employees

…

(2) At least once every financial year, delegations made under this Division are to be reviewed by the delegator.

9.49A Execution of documents

…

(4) A local government may, by resolution, authorise the CEO, another employee or an agent of the local government to sign documents on behalf of the local government, either generally or subject to conditions or restrictions specified in the authorisation.

Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021:

11 Complaint about alleged breach

…

(3) The local government must, in writing, authorise 1 or more persons to receive complaints and withdrawals of complaints.

Legislative references for the other legislation are recorded in the draft registers (Attachment No. CS309A and CS309B).

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

There are no financial or resource implications.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Leading	**A progressive City where informed decisions, strong advocacy and an enabling culture drives sustainable regional growth.**
Goal 2	Efficiently and effectively deliver community services and projects, through optimal use of our resources.
Goal 6	Ensure high quality governance activities enabling transparency and accountability.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:
There are no impacts to regional outcomes.

RISK MANAGEMENT:
Council can decide not to delegate the exercise of any of its powers or the discharge of any of its duties to the CEO or other employees. However, there is risk that without delegation there will be a significant impact on the efficient and effective delivery of services. If all decisions, where the power is vested in the Council required a decision of the Council, a delay in the delivery of services would become apparent – particularly as Council only meets once a month. This would also create a significant amount of additional work for the Council and City Officers.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:
Council may determine not to endorse the Delegations and Authorisations Register 2026–2027 Version 1, as this is ultimately a matter for Council. However, Council is required under section 5.46 of the *Local Government Act 1995* to review delegations at least once every financial year.

COUNCIL DECISION
MOVED CR COLLIVER, SECONDED CR VAN STYN
That Council by Absolute Majority pursuant to Sections 5.42 and 9.49A of the *Local Government Act 1995,* and Regulation 11 of the *Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021* RESOLVES to:

1. **ENDORSE the review of delegations in accordance with section 5.46 of the *Local Government Act 1995*;**
2. **DELEGATE to the Chief Executive Officer and other employees the exercise of local government powers and the discharge of local government duties as recorded in the Draft Delegation Register 2026-2027 Version 1 (Attachment No. CS309A); and**
3. **AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer and other employees the powers and duties as specified in the Draft Authorisation Register 2026-2027 Version 1.0 – Extract (Attachment No. CS309B).**

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 9/0
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Summary of results:

ITEM	COUNT
Yes	9
No	0
TOTAL VOTES	9

Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes
Cr Fiorenza	Yes
Cr Giudice	Yes
Cr Keemink	Yes
Cr Milnes	Yes
Cr Parker	Yes
Cr Van Styn	Yes

CS310 CITY OF GREATER GERALDTON BUDGET 2026-27

AGENDA REFERENCE:	**D-26-067885**
AUTHOR:	**N Jane, Chief Financial Officer**
EXECUTIVE:	**P Radalj, Director Corporate Services**
DATE OF REPORT:	**10 June 2026**
FILE REFERENCE:	**FM/6/0041**
ATTACHMENTS:	**Yes (x7)** **A. Annual Budget 2026-27** **B. Statement of Objects and Reasons 2026-27** **C. Fees and Charges Schedule 2026-27** **D. Capital Works Program 2026-27** **E. Long Term Financial Plan 2026-2036** **F. Long Term Financial Plan Schedules 2026-2036** **G. Addendum to Corporate Business Plan 2025-2029**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The purpose of this report is to seek Council adoption of the City of Greater Geraldton 2026-27 Financial Budget. The report also seeks the adoption of the Long-Term Financial Plan (revised) for the 10-year period covering 2026-27 to 2035-36.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:
That Council by Absolute Majority pursuant to Section 6.2 of the *Local Government Act 1995* RESOLVES to:

A. Rates & Minimum Payments 2026-27

1. ADOPT the following Differential General Rates against the valuations supplied by Landgate (as amended) as at 1 July 2026 for 2026-27 in accordance with sections 6.32 and 6.33 of the *Local Government Act 1995*:

DIFFERENTIAL GENERAL RATES	2026-27 Rate in the dollar
CGG GRV Residential	0.108291
CGG GRV Non-Residential	0.135530
CGG UV	0.004150

2. ADOPT the following Minimum Payments for the City of Greater Geraldton for 2026-27, in accordance with section 6.35 of the *Local Government Act 1995*:

MINIMUM PAYMENTS	2026-27 Minimum Payment Per Assessment
CGG GRV Residential	$1,360
CGG GRV Non-Residential	$1,360
CGG UV	$1,360

B. 2026-27 General Charges, Concessions, Interest

3. IMPOSE no service charges on land for 2026-27;
4. RAISE a charge of $8.00 per instalment for 2026-27 where the ratepayer has elected to pay their rates by instalments and in addition apply a 5% interest rate charge in accordance with section 6.45(3) of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulations 67 and 68 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*;
5. PROVIDE the option for ratepayers to pay their rates as a single payment or by two (2) or four (4) equal instalments in accordance with section 6.45(1) of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulation 64(2) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*;
6. NOTE the rates set by the State Government for the Emergency Services Levy (ESL) for Category 2, 4 and 5 regions for 2026-27 and apply these rates on assessments against valuations from Landgate as at 1 July 2026;
7. NOTE the interest rate set by the State Government for late payment of ESL by property owners is 11% per annum and will be charged 35 days after the due date;
8. NOTE that the City is not responsible for setting Emergency Services Levy rates and simply acts as a collection agent for the funds on behalf of the State Government;
9. ISSUE rates instalment notices as soon as practicable with instalment due dates being no less than two months apart from the date of the first instalment becoming due in accordance with section 6.50 of the *Local Government Act 1995*;
10. CHARGE an interest rate of 8% on any outstanding rates and service charges and any costs of proceedings to recover any such charge that remain overdue as described in accordance with section 6.51 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulation 70 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*; and
11. CHARGE interest on outstanding debts exceeding 60 days after date of invoice at a rate of 8% per annum in accordance with section 6.13 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

C. 2026-27 Fees and Charges

12. ADOPT the 2026-27 Schedule of Fees and Charges as contained in Attachment No. CS310C in accordance with section 6.16(3) of the *Local Government Act 1995.*

D. 2026-27 Capital Works & Loans

13. ADOPT the 2026-27 Capital Works Program Budget as contained in Attachment No. CS310D; and
14. ADOPT the new Loan debenture program in accordance with section 6.20(4) of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

E. General Charges and Concessions

15. NOTE that Council on an individual assessment basis does offer 'Incentives' under its City Centre Revitalisation Program in the form of concessions or waiving of rates for a set period in accordance with section 6.47 of the *Local Government Act 1995*; and
16. NOTE that Council waives penalty interest and the administration fee for eligible ratepayers approved for a Financial Hardship payment plan.

F. 2026-27 Fees and Allowances

17. APPROVE the Mayor's annual local government allowance of $104,032 in accordance with section 5.98(5) of the *Local Government Act 1995*;
18. APPROVE the Mayor's annual attendance fees of $55,078 in accordance with section 5.99 of the *Local Government Act 1995*;
19. APPROVE the Deputy Mayor's annual local government allowance of $26,008 in accordance with section 5.98A of the *Local Government Act 1995*;
20. APPROVE the annual attendance fees of $36,722 for every other Council Member (excluding the Mayor) in accordance with section 5.99 of the *Local Government Act 1995*;
21. APPROVE the reimbursement of expenses incurred by a Council Member in accordance with section 5.98(2)(b) and (3) of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulation 32 of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996*;
22. APPROVE the reimbursement of childcare and travel costs incurred by a Council Member when attending a meeting or completing training required by section 5.126(1), and to the extent determined by the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal, in accordance with section 5.98(2)(a) and (3) of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulation 31(1)(b)-(c) of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996;*
23. APPROVE the committee meeting attendance fee of $466 for independent committee members, and $1,215 for independent Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee members, as determined by the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal in accordance with section 5.100 (2) and (3) of the *Local Government Act 1995*;
24. APPROVE the reimbursement of childcare and travel costs incurred by an independent committee member because of their attendance at a meeting of the committee of which they are a member, and to the extent determined by the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal, in accordance with section 5.100(4)(a) and (5)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulation 34ACA(2) of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996*; and
25. APPROVE the payment of superannuation for Council Members in accordance with section 5.99B of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulation 32 of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996* from July 2025.

G. Material Variance Reporting for 2026-27

26. ADOPT a reporting variance of greater than $50,000 or 10% in accordance with regulation 34(5) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*.

H. Adoption of the 2026-27 Annual Budget

27. ADOPT the 2026-27 Annual Budget for the City of Greater Geraldton as contained in Attachment No. CS310A which includes the following:
    a. Statement of Comprehensive Income;
    b. Statement of Cash Flows;
    c. Statement of Financial Activity; and
    d. Notes to and forming part of the budget.

I. Adoption of Long-Term Financial Plan 2026-2036

28. ADOPT the Long-Term Financial Plan (revised) for the 10-year period covering 2026-2036.

J. Adoption of Addendum to Corporate Business Plan 2025-2029

29. ADOPT the Addendum to the Corporate Business Plan 2025-29 that updates and revises proposed actions for the financial year 2026-27.

K. Council Policy 1.8 Community Funding Programs

30. APPROVE the following allocations under the Festival and Event Funding Program and as part of the adoption of the 2026-27 Budget and City's Long-Term Financial Plan 2026-2036:

Festival and Events	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29
Mullewa District Agricultural Society (Mullewa Agricultural Show)	$20,000	$20,000	$20,000
Geraldton Christian Churches (Carols by Candlelight)	$5,000		
Spalding Park Golf Club (PGA Spalding Park Open Golf Tournament)	$5,000		
Mid-West Multicultural Association (Geraldton Cultural Festivals)	$5,000		
The Event Team (Geraldton Bike Fest)	$10,000		
Mullewa Community Resource Centre Inc. (Outback Bloom)	$7,500	$5,000	
Geraldton Professional Fishermen's Association (Geraldton Blessing of the Fleet)	$15,000	$10,000	
Geraldton Greenough Sunshine Festival (Geraldton Greenough Sunshine Festival Family Funday)	$15,000	$10,000	
Mullewa Muster & Rodeo Inc (Mullewa Muster & Rodeo)	$25,000	$25,000	$25,000
Geraldton Windsurfing Club (Oceania Youth Wave Titles & Junior Windsurfing Camp)	$18,500	$20,000	$45,000
Perth Glory – Preseason A League Fixture	$50,000	$50,000	$50,000

TOTAL	**$176,000**	**$140,000**	**$140,000**

31. APPROVE under new or existing three (3) year Service Agreement the following allocations as part of the adoption of the 2026-27 Budget and the City's Long-Term Financial Plan 2026-2036:

Service Agreements	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29
Mullewa Community Resource Centre (Mullewa Visitor Centre)	$38,000	$40,000	$40,000
Geraldton Cemetery Board (Capital Improvement Program)	$30,000		
Walkaway Station Museum Committee Inc	$15,000		
Greenough Museum & Gardens Community Association Inc	$18,000	$18,000	
TOTAL	**$101,000**	**$58,000**	**$40,000**

PROPONENT:
The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

BACKGROUND:
As part of the function of local government and its operations, each year the Council is required, under section 6.2 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, to formally adopt its annual financial year budget, to enable the administration to carry out the defined services and programmes and to raise revenue through rates and fees and charges.

Consistent with section 6.2(4) of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulations 22 - 31 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, the 2026-27 Budget for the City of Greater Geraldton includes the following:

- Rates and Service Charges imposed for 2026-27;
- Capital Works;
- Fees and Charges;
- General Charges and Concessions;
- Allowances;
- Borrowings;
- Reserve Accounts;
- Budget Estimates for Adoption;
- Estimated Expenditure; and
- Trading Undertakings.

1. Rating & Minimum Payments

The raising of revenue via annual rates is an important source of funds for all local governments throughout Australia. The *Local Government Act 1995* (the Act) empowers WA Councils to impose general rates and minimum payments.

There is no change to GRV valuations, however new UV valuations will take effect from 1 July 2026.

The following table highlights the changes in the Rate-in-the-Dollar and minimums to what was advertised under the Notice of Intent to what Council is now proposing.

Table 1 – RIDs

Differential Rate Types	Rate-in-the-dollar 2025-26	Rate-in-the-dollar 2026-27 as advertised	Rate-in-the-dollar final proposed 2026-27
CGG Residential	0.103896	0.110026	0.108291
CGG Non-Residential	0.129171	0.136792	0.135530
CGG UV	0.004433	0.004876	0.004150

Table 2 – Minimums

Differential Rate Types	Minimums 2025-26	Minimums 2026-27 as advertised	Final proposed minimums 2026-27
CGG Residential	$1,300	$1,376	$1,360
CGG Non-Residential	$1,300	$1,376	$1,360
CGG UV	$1,300	$1,376	$1,360

Modelling has been based on:

- 4.5% increase to GRV revenue – reduction from 5.9% as previously advertised.
- 10% increase to UV revenue.
- Minimums increased to $1,360.

The changes in the various rates-in-the-dollar enables Council to set priorities within its resourcing capabilities to sustainably deliver the assets and services required by the community in a fiscally responsible manner.

Due to rate exemptions applied in 2025-26 for Murchison Region Aboriginal Corporation (MRAC) and a backlog of interim revaluations still to be processed by Landgate, the City experienced negative rate growth in 2025-26. Rate growth for 2026-27 is forecast at $300,000, or 0.5%.

The following tables provide an overview of rates revenue movements over the past fourteen (14) years, including the period since the introduction of the City's Long Term Financial Plan. They also present a comparison of pre- and post-COVID movements and benchmark the City's rates movements against those of other regional centres over the past six years.

Table 3 – Rates Revenue Movements

	% Annual Rates Movements	
FY	**All Properties**	**Residential Properties**
2013-14	2.25%	2.25%
2014-15	4.70%	4.30%
2015-16	3.90%	2.60%
2016-17	2.70%	1.30%
2017-18	3.50%	3.50%
2018-19	2.30%	2.10%
2019-20	1.50%	1.50%
2020-21	0%	0%
2021-22	1.75%	1.75%
2022-23	4.40%	3.60%
2023-24	3%	3%
2024-25	3.90%	3.90%
2025-26	4.90%	3.90%
2026-27	4.70%	4.50%
Average	**3.11%**	**2.73%**

Table 4 – Post-Covid Rates Revenue Movements

Post-Covid	% Annual Rates Movements	
FY	**All Properties**	**Residential Properties**
2021-22	1.75%	1.75%
2022-23	4.40%	3.60%
2023-24	3%	3%
2024-25	3.90%	3.90%
2025-26	4.90%	3.90%
2026-27	4.70%	4.50%
Average	**3.78%**	**3.44%**

Table 5 – Pre-Covid Rates Revenue Movements

Pre-Covid	% Annual Rates Movements	
FY	All Properties	Residential Properties
2013-14	2.25%	2.25%
2014-15	4.70%	4.30%
2015-16	3.90%	2.60%
2016-17	2.70%	1.30%
2017-18	3.50%	3.50%
2018-19	2.30%	2.10%
2019-20	1.50%	1.50%
Average	**2.98%**	**2.51%**

Table 6 – Comparative Rates Revenue Movements

Local Governments	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	Overall Increase
Bunbury	$39,776,267	$40,676,117	$43,007,394	$46,316,206	$49,766,098	$53,105,466	**33.51%**
Albany	$38,808,041	$39,891,924	$42,197,194	$44,166,950	$46,527,698	$49,401,889	**27.30%**
Kalgoorlie	$26,384,319	$27,517,466	$28,954,743	$30,637,622	$34,165,161	$35,921,466	**36.15%**
Karratha	$44,298,154	$45,601,161	$49,061,054	$54,760,778	$58,944,740	$66,472,000	**50.06%**
Busselton	$52,646,781	$54,785,774	$57,470,528	$60,898,902	$66,619,065	$72,596,890	**37.89%**
Geraldton	$45,601,602	$47,900,551	$50,145,028	$52,011,677	$54,471,065	$57,266,422	**25.58%**

Compared with other regional centres, the City has recorded the lowest rates increase over the past six years. The tables also show that post-COVID local governments continue to experience pressure from global price shocks, supply-chain disruptions, elevated inflation and wage growth, all of which contribute to ongoing cost escalation. Over an extended period, Council has faced significant increases in goods and services costs across its operations, and its financial planning assumes these pressures will continue for the majority of the 2026-27 financial year.

However, Council's long term financial planning, informed by RBA projections, assumes lower fuel prices will place downward pressure on inflation, with headline inflation expected to fall to around 2.25% by mid-to-late 2027.

UV Rates

UV properties are revalued annually, with new valuations effective from 1 July 2026, representing an average increase of 16.7%. The table below provides an overview of valuation movements over the past five years, during which the total value of UV properties has increased by approximately 100%.

Table 7: UV Valuation Movements

FY	Total UV Valuation	% Increase in Valuation	Rate-in-the-Dollar
2022-23	$473,191,448	19.19%	0.006770
2023-24	$587,284,018	23.96%	0.005682
2024-25	$711,016,318	20.94%	0.004828
2025-26	$857,845,967	20.52%	0.004433
2026-27	$1,001,099,301	16.70%	0.004150
	Total % Increase	**101.31%**	

Rural properties in the City are still paying on average significantly lower rates than their counterparts in the adjoining municipalities. Council proposes to increase UV revenue by a further 10%. Applying this increase would result in the City still having a significantly lower UV rate than adjoining shires. It is proposed this level of adjustment to the taxing of UV properties would cease after 2026-27. Under the proposed rating, 48% of UV properties will be paying a $60 increase when compared to 2025-26.

The table below summarises the amount budgeted to be levied by rating categories (excluding minimums) in 2026-27 in comparison to 2025-26.

Table 8: Rating Categories $ movements

Rate Types	2025-26	2026-27
CGG GRV – Residential	36,324,710	37,960,399
CGG GRV – Non-residential	13,224,178	13,818,745
CGG UV	3,408,534	3,750,554
TOTAL	**52,957,422**	**55,529,698**

Table 9: Proposed 2026-27 Operating Statement

Operating Statement	Proposed Budget 2026-27
OPERATING REVENUE	**$000s**
Rates	60,226
Operating Grants, Subsidies & Contributions	13,243
Fees & Charges	33,898
Interest Earnings	3,238
Other	292
Total Operating Revenue	**110,898**
OPERATING EXPENDITURE	
Employee Costs	(42,498)
Materials & Contractors	(33,688)
Utilities	(3,278)
Insurance	(1,140)
Interest/Borrowing Costs	(613)
Depreciation On Assets	(25,784)
Other Expenses	(3,632)
Total Operating Expenditure	**(110,632)**
Net Result from Ordinary Activities Surplus	**265**

Budget Result

The bottom-line operating result in 2026-27 is budgeted to be a small surplus of around $265,000.

As denoted above, year 1 of the revised Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) shows the City moving from an operating deficit in 2025–26 to a small surplus in 2026–27, with that surplus position forecast to continue over the remainder of the plan period.

Across successive iterations of the LTFP, the quality and maturity of the underlying data have improved significantly. This includes stronger alignment between the LTFP and its key variable assumptions, Corporate Business Plan actions, more detailed recognition of cyclical requirements in individual years such as Council elections, asset revaluations and GRV valuations, and better capture of major existing and planned projects, including their impacts on depreciation and finance costs. The revised LTFP also gives greater weight to valuation-related changes in non-current assets, particularly road assets to factor in the strong likelihood of higher cost movements to unit rates.

Revenue:

Overall operating revenue is forecast to increase by 2.96%, or approximately $3.2 million, compared with the 2025-26 budget. In addition to the proposed increase in rates revenue, the main drivers of this growth are higher user fees and charges, particularly from airport and waste operations.

While the City is yet to receive notification of its allocation of annual financial assistance grants, WA's overall allocation has been increased by 5.2% for 2026-27 and it is expected that will flow onto individual LG allocations. The prepayment amount for 2026-27 that is paid in 2025-26 will be 80% and the budget allocation has been set that this % of prepayment will also occur in 2026-27.

The City expects to achieve a lower level of interest earnt (from $3.77 million to $3.28 million) on investments based on a reduction in our cash holdings. Over the last two years the City has gradually lengthened our investment terms to partly mitigate any impact if the cash rate was to drop significantly.

Expenditure:

Overall operating expenditure is expected to increase by 2.11%, or approximately $2.29 million, compared with the 2025–26 budget. The increase is mainly attributable to cost-of-living and inflationary pressures on goods and services. The budget provides for the City to maintain its current range and level of services.

The City continues to face cost pressures from inflation and world-wide supply chain impacts. Budget provision has therefore been made for known and recent increases in major goods and services contracts, as well as expected indexation adjustments in 2026-27. Materials and Contractors expenditure is forecast to increase by 6.55%, or approximately $2.07 million.

2. Capital Program

Table 10: 2026-27 Capital Program

Asset Category	New	Renewal	Total
Buildings	1,965,000	3,550,000	5,515,000
Furniture & Equipment		704,000	704,000
Plant & Equipment	300,000	3,626,000	3,926,000
Roads	5,721,000	14,903,000	20,624,000
Bridges, Floodways & Major Culverts		2,246,000	2,246,000
Footpaths & Cycleways	1,260,000	1,189,000	2,449,000
Recreation	336,000	7,653,000	7,989,000
Carparks	153,000		153,000
Meru Landfill	6,400,000		6,400,000
Airport	120,000	360,000	480,000
Drainage	30,000	3,436,000	3,466,000
Lighting	44,000	1,058,000	1,102,000
Signs		550,000	550,000
Total	**16,329,000**	**39,275,000**	**55,604,000**

The City's planned Capital Budget for 2026-27 is $55.60 million. This expenditure is to be funded from General Revenue, Reserves, Borrowings and funding provided by Federal and State Agencies as detailed below:

Table 11: Funding Breakdown

Asset Category	Own Source Revenue	Own Source Reserve	External Grants & Contributions	Loan	Total
Buildings	2,757,000	1,110,000	1,648,000		5,515,000
Furniture & Equipment	704,000				704,000
Plant & Equipment	2,116,000	1,810,000			3,926,000
Roads	10,191,958	645,866	9,786,176		20,624,000
Bridges, Floodways & Major Culverts		2,246,000			2,246,000
Footpaths & Cycleways	1,715,667		733,333		2,449,000
Recreation	1,989,000	6,000,000			7,989,000
Carparks	153,000				153,000
Meru Landfill		400,000		6,000,000	6,400,000
Airport	371,000	109,000			480,000
Drainage	3,400,000	66,000			3,466,000
Lighting	1,102,000				1,102,000
Signs	550,000				550,000
Total	**25,049,625**	**12,386,866**	**12,167,509**	**6,000,000**	**55,604,000**

3. Fees and Charges

Fees and Charges are forecast to increase by 6.6% or around $2.1 million when compared to the 2025-26 financial year budget.

The provision of free residential tipping at Meru will continue with the addition of free disposal of bulky furniture items and mattresses for residents. Domestic and commercial rubbish charges are proposed to be set at $455 per annum.

Where appropriate, changes will be made on a per annum basis due to the following:

- Service no longer provided so no fee or charge applicable.
- New service being provided.
- Cost of service has changed.
- Change to service delivery requiring an alteration to the fee or charge structure.

Within function areas relating to building licenses, planning, development and health approvals, the City is limited by statutory regulations and capping on fees and/or charges applied, preventing full cost recovery of these services.

Benchmarking has been undertaken with other local governments corresponding fees, where possible – but noting that not all Councils have yet determined their 2026-27 budgets.

4. General Charges, Concessions and Interest

Under the *Local Government Act 1995* and associated regulations, the City can apply an interest penalty rate of up to 11% to any outstanding rates and service, and sundry outstanding debt. This rate is proposed to remain at 8% for 2026-27.

5. Allowances

As per both Council Policy 4.31 (Council Member Fees, Allowances, Reimbursements and Benefits) and the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal 2026 Determination, Council Member fees and allowances are set at and denoted in the table below:

Allowance & Attendance Category	2026-27
Mayor's Annual Allowance	$104,032
Mayor's Annual Attendance Fee	$55,078
Deputy Mayor's Annual Allowance	$26,008
Council Member Attendance Fee	$36,722
Child-Care Allowance	$35 per hour
Superannuation	12%

6. Borrowings
Although a new $6 million loan is proposed in 2026-27 for New Liquid Waste Ponds, no associated finance costs have been included in the 2026-27 budget, as repayments are scheduled to commence in 2027-28.

7. Reserve Account
Existing reserves have been established and/or are used where there is a legal or statutory requirement to do so, are mechanisms for accumulating cash for future capital outlays, managing cyclical expenditure and meeting liability provisions. It is proposed that Cash Reserves in 2026-27 will assist in funding the following:

- Carried over capital works from 2025-26.
- Foreshore Youth Precinct.
- Support 2026-27 Renewal Program.

Below summarises the total cash reserve balances and proposed movements for 2026-27:

Opening Balance $000s	Transfer to	Transfer from	Closing Balance
$39,040	$4,189	$14,087	$29,142

Proposed budgeted reserve balances and movements remain provisional, pending year-end closure and final reconciliations. Budget amendments planned for August/September will fully reconcile and process carryovers.

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING – ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Connected:
The proposed 2026-27 budget includes several significant initiatives aimed at enhancing social outcomes within the community. Among these are the development of new infrastructure and the planning of future community spaces that support inclusion, wellbeing, and youth engagement.

One of the key projects is the Foreshore Youth Precinct, which is a refreshed outdoor leisure and recreation space.

In addition, the budget allocates resources for the continuation of future planning of Maitland Park, which is likely to involve upgrades or redesigns that enhance accessibility, usability, and environmental sustainability. This forward-looking approach ensures that community infrastructure evolves to meet changing needs and supports long-term social benefits.

Together, these initiatives reflect a commitment to building a more connected, inclusive, and vibrant community through investment in public spaces and services.

Liveable:
Initiatives either now in place or in development such as the Geraldton Airport Microgrid and the Meru Landfill Gas Flaring Projects, clearly demonstrate

Council's commitment to progressing toward a net zero emissions target. These projects reflect a proactive approach to sustainability and environmental responsibility:

- The Geraldton Airport Microgrid supports energy resilience and reduces reliance on fossil fuels by integrating renewable energy sources into critical infrastructure.
- The Meru Landfill Gas Flaring Project captures and flares methane, a potent greenhouse gas, thereby significantly reducing emissions from waste management operations.

Together, these initiatives signal a broader strategy to embed climate-conscious practices into Council operations and infrastructure planning. They also align with global and national efforts to mitigate climate change and transition to a low-carbon future.

Thriving:
The proposed Capital Works Program for 2026-27 is designed not only to enhance local infrastructure but also to stimulate the local economy by creating a wide range of opportunities for local businesses and contractors. By investing in diverse projects, ranging from community facilities to public space upgrades, the program ensures that local enterprises can participate in tenders, supply chains, and service delivery.

This approach supports:

- Job creation within the region.
- Business growth through increased demand for construction, materials, and professional services.
- Economic resilience, as funds are reinvested into the local economy.

Leading:
Section 6.2 of the *Local Government Act 1995* requires Council to prepare and adopt a budget for 2026-27.

Disclosure of Interest:
No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:
Council adopts a budget including a rates model for every financial year.

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:
In accordance with the requirements of section 6.36 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, a statement of intended differential rates and minimum payments was advertised seeking public submissions, and a statement of objects and reasons for the intended rates and minimum payments was also made available for download from the City website, with hardcopies provided at the City Offices in Geraldton, the Geraldton Regional Library, and Mullewa District Office.

Submissions closed at 5:00pm on 29 May 2026 with nineteen (19) submissions received by the due date. The submissions consistently expressed opposition to the originally proposed and advertised rate increase, with current cost-of-living pressures identified as a key concern. They also raised broader concerns regarding affordability, perceived declines or inconsistencies in service delivery, transparency, and value for money.

The submissions were distributed to Council Members for consideration via Briefing Note on 26 May 2026 and 3 June 2026.

The Community were previously and extensively consulted in the development of the Strategic Community Plan (SCP) 2025-2035 and the vision, priorities and objectives contained in the SCP. In developing the 2026-27 budget, consideration was given to both the goals articulated in the SCP and actions contained in the City's Corporate Business Plan.

COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:
City of Greater Geraldton Council Members have been actively engaged in formulation of the 2026-27 Budget through a series of Budget Workshops conducted through February to June 2026, enabling consideration of revenue and expenditure requirements and the capital works program.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:
***Local Government Act 1995* - Section 6.2 – Local government to prepare annual budget**
Section 6.2 of the *Local Government Act 1995* requires that in preparing its annual budget the Council is to have regard to the contents of its plan for the future prepared in accordance with section 5.56. *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996* define these as the Strategic Community Plan (Regulation 19C) and Corporate Business Plan (Regulation 19DA). The City must prepare detailed estimates of:

(a) the expenditure by the local government; and
(b) the revenue and income, independent of general rates, of the local government; and
(c) the amount required to make up the deficiency, if any, shown by comparing the estimated expenditure with the estimated revenue and income.

Section 6.2(3) requires that all expenditure, revenue and income must be taken into account unless otherwise prescribed. *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996,* regulation 32 prescribes amounts that may be excluded in calculating the budget deficiency.

Section 6.2(4) requires the annual budget to incorporate:

(a) particulars of estimated expenditure proposed;
(b) detailed information relating to the rates and service charges which will apply, including:
    i. the amount estimated to be yielded by the general rate; and

ii. the rate of interest to be charged on unpaid rates and service charges;

(c) fees and charges;
(d) borrowings and other financial accommodations proposed;
(e) reserve account allocations and uses;
(f) any proposed land transactions or trading undertakings per section 3.59; and
(g) such other matters as are prescribed.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, regulations 22 through 31 prescribe requirements in relation to form and content of the annual budget and required notes to and forming part of the budget.

Ministerial Approval Requirements
Should Council seek to adopt a rating and minimum payments model other than that set out in the Executive Recommendation, then such a determination should be deferred to enable necessary assessment under the requirements of sections 6.33 and 6.35 of the Act. If Ministerial approvals are required in respect of a different model of differential rates and minimum payments, such approvals must be obtained before Council can subsequently adopt a revised Budget.

***Local Government Act 1995* - Section 6.45 - Options for payment of rates or service charges**

(1) A rate or service charge is ordinarily payable to a local government by a single payment but the person liable for the payment of a rate or service charge may elect to make that payment to a local government, subject to subsection (3), by —

(a) 4 equal or nearly equal instalments; or
(b) such other method of payment by instalments as is set forth in the local government's annual budget.

***Local Government Act 1995* - Section 6.47 - Concessions**

Subject to the Rates and Charges (Rebates and Deferments) Act 1992, a local government may at the time of imposing a rate or service charge or at a later date resolve to waive a rate or service charge or resolve to grant other concessions in relation to a rate or service charge.*

** Absolute majority required.*

There are no impediments deriving from the *Rates and Charges (Rebates and Deferments) Act 1992.*

Policy Implications:
The City's Strategic Community Plan and the Corporate Business Plan are the core planning documents that have been used to inform the LTFP along with other strategic documents and are also the basis for preparation of the Annual Budget.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

Details of the budget estimates for 2026-27 are contained in the attached documents.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Leading	**A progressive City where informed decisions, strong advocacy and an enabling culture drives sustainable regional growth.**
Goal 1	Engage with the community to enhance decision-making.
Goal 2	Efficiently and effectively deliver community services and projects, through optimal use of our resources.
Goal 3	Financial sustainability, actively seeking and leveraging external funding to deliver for the community.
Goal 6	Ensure high quality governance activities enabling transparency and accountability.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:
Delivery of programs, services and projects continue to provide benefits for the region through capital expenditure, business support, employment opportunities and encouraging tourism.

RISK MANAGEMENT:
Section 6.2 of the *Local Government Act 1995* requires Council to prepare and adopt a budget for 2026-27 by 31 August 2026, or by such extended time as the Minister allows. Having regard to cash flow requirements for ongoing City operations, it is in the best interests of all Councils for their budget to be adopted at the earliest practicable opportunity, to enable issue of rates notices and commencement of revenue flows as early as possible in the new financial year.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:
The following options were considered by City Officers:

Alternative Option One
That Council by Absolute Majority pursuant to Section 6.2 of *the Local Government Act 1995* RESOLVES to:

1. ADOPT the 2026-27 Budget as set out in items 1 through 28 of the Executive Recommendation *but with the following changes*:
   a. To be determined by Council; and
2. MAKE the determination based on the following reason/s:
   a. To be determined by Council.

Alternative Option Two
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to section 5.20 of the *Local Government Act 1995* RESOLVES to:

1. DEFER consideration of the 2026-27 Budget; and
2. MAKE the determination based on the following reason/s:
   a. To be determined by Council.

Consideration of Options
Parts 'A' through 'I' (numbered items 1 through 28) of the Executive Recommendation address all of the elements covering imposition of rates and minimum payments, estimates of revenue and income other than rates, estimates of expenditure, charges, concessions and interest, the schedule of fees and charges, Council Member allowances and, in relation to Notes comprising part of the budget, allocations to and use of funds from reserves, and proposed new loans. Parts 'A' through 'I' are inter-dependent and together produce the budget result, and thus they need to be considered and resolved together by Council, rather than separately.

Part 'J' of the Executive Recommendation seeks Council endorsement and adoption of an Addendum to the Corporate Business Plan 2025-29 to reflect updates to proposed activities and/or actions.

Part 'K' of the Executive Recommendation seeks Council approval to provide funding as delegated and required under Council Policy 1.8 Community Funding Programs.

Any *significant/material* change to any of the revenue, income or expenditure elements of the recommended 2026-27 Budget (comprising parts 'A' through 'I' inclusive) would require re-casting of the budget and assessment of the consequent budget result, to ensure compliance with section 6.34 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

In effect section 6.34 requires prior Ministerial approval of a proposed budget if the amount estimated to be yielded by general rates does not fall within the range 90% to 110% of the 'budget deficiency' as envisaged in section 6.2 of the Act, and as calculated in the rate setting statement per *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 32*.

Council may choose to make changes to the recommended 2026-27 Budget via Alternative Option One – provided that those changes do not have such a significant/material effect on expenditure or revenue estimates that would require re-casting of the whole budget, and those changes can be made without any material impact.

Should Council wish to make significant/material changes to revenue or expenditure components of the proposed 2026-27 Budget that in effect delivers a result significantly different, then Alternative Option Two (Deferment) should be pursued. This option would need the determined reasons to include clear directions and an unambiguous indication of an alternative required budget outcome to guide recasting of the budget for re-presentation to Council at a later date.

Cr T Milnes declared an impartiality interest in Item No. CS310 City of Greater Geraldton 2026-27 budget, as he has signed a petition in respect to reject the rate rises given financial pressure on the community. Cr Milnes also acknowledges the perception of impartiality by sharing posts on Facebook to share the petition indicating a general opposition to rates rising in the middle of a cost of living crisis. Cr Milnes remained in Chambers during the debate.

COUNCIL DECISION
MOVED MAYOR CLUNE, SECONDED CR VAN STYN
That Council by Absolute Majority pursuant to Section 6.2 of the *Local Government Act 1995* RESOLVES to:

A. Rates & Minimum Payments 2026-27

1. ADOPT the following Differential General Rates against the valuations supplied by Landgate (as amended) as at 1 July 2026 for 2026-27 in accordance with sections 6.32 and 6.33 of the *Local Government Act 1995*:

DIFFERENTIAL GENERAL RATES	2026-27 Rate in the dollar
CGG GRV Residential	0.108291
CGG GRV Non-Residential	0.135530
CGG UV	0.004150

2. ADOPT the following Minimum Payments for the City of Greater Geraldton for 2026-27, in accordance with section 6.35 of the *Local Government Act 1995*:

MINIMUM PAYMENTS	2026-27 Minimum Payment Per Assessment
CGG GRV Residential	$1,360
CGG GRV Non-Residential	$1,360
CGG UV	$1,360

B. 2026-27 General Charges, Concessions, Interest

3. IMPOSE no service charges on land for 2026-27;
4. RAISE a charge of $8.00 per instalment for 2026-27 where the ratepayer has elected to pay their rates by instalments and in addition apply a 5% interest rate charge in accordance with section 6.45(3) of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulations 67 and 68 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*;
5. PROVIDE the option for ratepayers to pay their rates as a single payment or by two (2) or four (4) equal instalments in accordance with section 6.45(1) of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulation 64(2) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*;
6. NOTE the rates set by the State Government for the Emergency Services Levy (ESL) for Category 2, 4 and 5 regions for 2026-27

and apply these rates on assessments against valuations from Landgate as at 1 July 2026;

7. **NOTE the interest rate set by the State Government for late payment of ESL by property owners is 11% per annum and will be charged 35 days after the due date;**
8. **NOTE that the City is not responsible for setting Emergency Services Levy rates and simply acts as a collection agent for the funds on behalf of the State Government;**
9. **ISSUE rates instalment notices as soon as practicable with instalment due dates being no less than two months apart from the date of the first instalment becoming due in accordance with section 6.50 of the *Local Government Act 1995*;**
10. **CHARGE an interest rate of 8% on any outstanding rates and service charges and any costs of proceedings to recover any such charge that remain overdue as described in accordance with section 6.51 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulation 70 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*; and**
11. **CHARGE interest on outstanding debts exceeding 60 days after date of invoice at a rate of 8% per annum in accordance with section 6.13 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.**

C. 2026-27 Fees and Charges

12. **ADOPT the 2026-27 Schedule of Fees and Charges as contained in Attachment No. CS310C in accordance with section 6.16(3) of the *Local Government Act 1995.***

D. 2026-27 Capital Works & Loans

13. **ADOPT the 2026-27 Capital Works Program Budget as contained in Attachment No. CS310D; and**
14. **ADOPT the new Loan debenture program in accordance with section 6.20(4) of the *Local Government Act 1995*.**

E. General Charges and Concessions

15. **NOTE that Council on an individual assessment basis does offer 'Incentives' under its City Centre Revitalisation Program in the form of concessions or waiving of rates for a set period in accordance with section 6.47 of the *Local Government Act 1995*; and**
16. **NOTE that Council waives penalty interest and the administration fee for eligible ratepayers approved for a Financial Hardship payment plan.**

F. 2026-27 Fees and Allowances

17. **APPROVE the Mayor's annual local government allowance of $104,032 in accordance with section 5.98(5) of the *Local Government Act 1995*;**
18. **APPROVE the Mayor's annual attendance fees of $55,078 in accordance with section 5.99 of the *Local Government Act 1995*;**

19. **APPROVE the Deputy Mayor's annual local government allowance of $26,008 in accordance with section 5.98A of the *Local Government Act 1995*;**
20. **APPROVE the annual attendance fees of $36,722 for every other Council Member (excluding the Mayor) in accordance with section 5.99 of the *Local Government Act 1995*;**
21. **APPROVE the reimbursement of expenses incurred by a Council Member in accordance with section 5.98(2)(b) and (3) of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulation 32 of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996*;**
22. **APPROVE the reimbursement of childcare and travel costs incurred by a Council Member when attending a meeting or completing training required by section 5.126(1), and to the extent determined by the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal, in accordance with section 5.98(2)(a) and (3) of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulation 31(1)(b)-(c) of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996;***
23. **APPROVE the committee meeting attendance fee of $466 for independent committee members, and $1,215 for independent Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee members, as determined by the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal in accordance with section 5.100 (2) and (3) of the *Local Government Act 1995*;**
24. **APPROVE the reimbursement of childcare and travel costs incurred by an independent committee member because of their attendance at a meeting of the committee of which they are a member, and to the extent determined by the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal, in accordance with section 5.100(4)(a) and (5)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulation 34ACA(2) of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996*; and**
25. **APPROVE the payment of superannuation for Council Members in accordance with section 5.99B of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulation 32 of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996* from July 2025.**

G. Material Variance Reporting for 2026-27

26. **ADOPT a reporting variance of greater than $50,000 or 10% in accordance with regulation 34(5) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*.**

H. Adoption of the 2026-27 Annual Budget

27. **ADOPT the 2026-27 Annual Budget for the City of Greater Geraldton as contained in Attachment No. CS310A which includes the following:**
    a. **Statement of Comprehensive Income;**
    b. **Statement of Cash Flows;**
    c. **Statement of Financial Activity; and**
    d. **Notes to and forming part of the budget.**

I. Adoption of Long-Term Financial Plan 2026-2036

28. ADOPT the Long-Term Financial Plan (revised) for the 10-year period covering 2026-2036.

J. Adoption of Addendum to Corporate Business Plan 2025-2029

29. ADOPT the Addendum to the Corporate Business Plan 2025-29 that updates and revises proposed actions for the financial year 2026-27.

K. Council Policy 1.8 Community Funding Programs

30. APPROVE the following allocations under the Festival and Event Funding Program and as part of the adoption of the 2026-27 Budget and City's Long-Term Financial Plan 2026-2036:

Festival and Events	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29
Mullewa District Agricultural Society (Mullewa Agricultural Show)	$20,000	$20,000	$20,000
Geraldton Christian Churches (Carols by Candlelight)	$5,000		
Spalding Park Golf Club (PGA Spalding Park Open Golf Tournament)	$5,000		
Mid-West Multicultural Association (Geraldton Cultural Festivals)	$5,000		
The Event Team (Geraldton Bike Fest)	$10,000		
Mullewa Community Resource Centre Inc. (Outback Bloom)	$7,500	$5,000	
Geraldton Professional Fishermen's Association (Geraldton Blessing of the Fleet)	$15,000	$10,000	
Geraldton Greenough Sunshine Festival (Geraldton Greenough Sunshine Festival Family Funday)	$15,000	$10,000	
Mullewa Muster & Rodeo Inc (Mullewa Muster & Rodeo)	$25,000	$25,000	$25,000
Geraldton Windsurfing Club (Oceania Youth Wave Titles & Junior Windsurfing Camp)	$18,500	$20,000	$45,000
Perth Glory – Preseason A League Fixture	$50,000	$50,000	$50,000
TOTAL	$176,000	$140,000	$140,000

31. APPROVE under new or existing three (3) year Service Agreement the following allocations as part of the adoption of the 2026-27 Budget and the City's Long-Term Financial Plan 2026-2036:

Service Agreements	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29
Mullewa Community Resource Centre (Mullewa Visitor Centre)	$38,000	$40,000	$40,000
Geraldton Cemetery Board (Capital Improvement Program)	$30,000		
Walkaway Station Museum Committee Inc	$15,000		
Greenough Museum & Gardens Community Association Inc	$18,000	$18,000	
TOTAL	$101,000	$58,000	$40,000

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Summary of results:

ITEM	COUNT
Yes	8
No	1
TOTAL VOTES	9

Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes
Cr Fiorenza	Yes
Cr Giudice	Yes
Cr Keemink	Yes
Cr Parker	Yes
Cr Van Styn	Yes
Cr Milnes	No

CS311 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MAY 2026

AGENDA REFERENCE:	**D-26-066740**
AUTHOR:	**A O'Connell, Senior Management Accountant / Analyst**
EXECUTIVE:	**P Radalj, Director Corporate Services**
DATE OF REPORT:	**10 June 2026**
FILE REFERENCE:	**FM/17/0017**
ATTACHMENTS:	**Yes (x1) Monthly Financial Report for period ended 31 May 2026**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The purpose of this report is to provide Council with a comprehensive report on the City's finances to 31 May 2026.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Regulation 34 and 35 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* RESOLVES to:

1. RECEIVE the Monthly Financial Report for the period ended 31 May 2026 incorporating the Statement of Financial Activity and Statement of Financial Position.

PROPONENT:
The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

BACKGROUND:
This report provides Council with a comprehensive overview of the City's financial performance and position. It includes key performance indicators across Connected, Liveable, Thriving and Leading themes, along with the Statement of Financial Activity, Statement of Financial Position, Explanation of Material Variances, Net Current Funding Position and Monthly Investment Report.

In accordance with the Financial Management Regulations, a Statement of Financial Activity and a Statement of Financial Position must be presented monthly, accompanied by relevant supporting information. Beyond regulatory compliance, the purpose of regular financial reporting is to enable Council Members to monitor the allocation of financial and other resources against the approved budget, including the Mid-Year Budget review amendments endorsed in March 2026. This ongoing reporting demonstrates sound financial management and the effectiveness of the City's systems. The monthly report also provides a snapshot of the organisation's liquidity and its status as a going concern.

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING – ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Connected:
This report outlines the financial allocations and expenditures for programs and activities that support the City's commitment to building an engaged and diverse community. The City invests in programs and infrastructure that promote safety, inclusion, and social cohesion.

Liveable:
This report outlines financial activity related to the City's efforts to create a greener, healthier, and more sustainable environment. The City is committed to enhancing liveability through strategic investments in green infrastructure, sustainable practices, and community wellbeing.

Thriving:
This report outlines financial activity related to programs and projects that contribute to a thriving local economy. The City continues to invest in initiatives that foster economic vitality and supports local businesses.

Leading:
This report demonstrates the City's commitment to efficient service delivery, financial sustainability, and leadership that is transparent and accountable.

Disclosure of Interest:
No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:
Council is provided with financial reports each month.

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:
There has been no community/Council Member 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 the local government to prepare a statement of financial activity each month, reporting on the revenue and expenditure as set out in the adopted annual budget. The statement is to be accompanied by documents containing an explanation of material variances and such other supporting information as is considered relevant by the local government.

Each financial year, a local government is to adopt a percentage or value to be used in statements of financial activity for reporting material variances. The materiality threshold adopted by Council are variances that are greater than 10% of the current budget or a value greater than $50,000.

Regulation 35 of *the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* also requires the local government to prepare a statement of financial position as at the last day of the previous month.

A statement of financial activity, statement of financial position and any accompanying documents are to be presented at an Ordinary Meeting of the Council within two months after the end of the month to which the statements relate.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:
As detailed in this item and attached report.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Leading	**A progressive City where informed decisions, strong advocacy and an enabling culture drives sustainable regional growth.**
Goal 1	Engage with the community to enhance decision-making.
Goal 2	Efficiently and effectively deliver community services and projects, through optimal use of our resources.
Goal 3	Financial sustainability, actively seeking and leveraging external funding to deliver for the community.
Goal 5	Provide the community with clear and accessible information about the City's programs, services and decisions.
Goal 6	Ensure high quality governance activities enabling transparency and accountability.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:
There are no impacts to regional outcomes.

RISK MANAGEMENT:
The provision of monthly financial reports to Council fulfills the relevant statutory requirements and is consistent with good financial governance.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:
No alternative options were considered by City Officers.

COUNCIL DECISION
MOVED CR COLLIVER, SECONDED CR VAN STYN
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Regulation 34 and 35 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* RESOLVES to:

1. **RECEIVE the Monthly Financial Report for the period ended 31 May 2026 incorporating the Statement of Financial Activity and Statement of Financial Position.**

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Summary of results:

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Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes
Cr Fiorenza	Yes
Cr Giudice	Yes
Cr Keemink	Yes
Cr Milnes	Yes
Cr Parker	Yes
Cr Van Styn	Yes

12.4 REPORTS OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

IS335 MAITLAND PARK CONCEPT DESIGN	
AGENDA REFERENCE:	**D-26-067487**
AUTHOR:	**C Lee, Director Infrastructure Services**
EXECUTIVE:	**C Lee, Director Infrastructure Services**
DATE OF REPORT:	**12 June 2026**
FILE REFERENCE:	**GO/6/0029-003**
ATTACHMENTS:	**Yes (x1)** **Maitland Park Concept Design Masterplan**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The purpose of this report is to present the updated Concept Design for the Maitland Park Transport Hub and Green Connect Project and seek Council endorsement of the concept design, including both Scenario 1 (Two-Way) and Scenario 2 (One-Way) configurations, to proceed to broader community consultation and the next phase of detailed design and Triple Bottom Line (TBL) Business Case development.

The concept design has been developed through a structured, evidence-based process incorporating technical analysis, stakeholder engagement and a benefits framework aligned to the City's Strategic Community Plan, providing Council Members with confidence that it represents a robust and well founded investment proposition.

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

1. NOTE the progress of the Maitland Park Transport Hub and Green Connect Project through the concept design phase, including the outcomes of stakeholder engagement, traffic modelling and the benefits framework analysis;
2. ENDORSE the preferred concept designs for the Maitland Park Green Connect Project, including both Scenario 1 & 2 (Two Way / One Way configuration) options for further development; and
3. AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer to proceed with broader community consultation, a second round of stakeholder workshops and the preparation of detailed designs, a draft Triple Bottom Line Business Case and updated cost plan.

PROPONENT:
The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

BACKGROUND:
In 2023, the City commissioned UDLA to develop a landscape led and transport integrated concept design for the Maitland Park Precinct.

A civic block bounded by Cathedral Avenue, Maitland Street and Carson Terrace that is home to five (5) schools, the Anglican Cathedral and Geraldton's most significant public green space. This commission built upon earlier strategic work by UDLA and Stantec (2021–2023) and was informed by two (2) prior community engagement workshops that established a clear mandate for change.

The 2023 Masterplan was developed through an extensive literature review, site analysis and three (3) stakeholder workshops. It identified three (3) guiding principles that now anchor the concept design:

Safe Connected City - prioritising pedestrian and cyclist safety on all streets surrounding the park and schools, reducing vehicle speed and dominance and creating legible, continuous movement networks.

Inclusive Community - ensuring the park and its surrounding public realm are welcoming, accessible and culturally rich for all members of the community.

Urban Forest Greening - a transformative tree canopy and green infrastructure investment to address Geraldton's urban heat island, with a target of significantly increasing the number of trees across the precinct.

Problem Statement and Investment Logic:
An Investment Logic Mapping (ILM) workshop was held on 7 October 2025 with representatives from the City, UDLA, the schools and key stakeholders. The workshop produced a structured problem statement:

> *"The Maitland Park precinct is an under-performing civic asset that fails to provide a safe, healthy, and welcoming environment for the 3,000+ students, staff and community members who use it daily. The current condition of the streets and public spaces contributes to preventable road safety risk, urban heat exposure, ecological decline, cultural disconnection and missed opportunities for social and economic activation."*

The ILM identified three (3) core problems:

- Public Health and Climate Vulnerability - The precinct has less than 8% canopy cover, contributing to urban heat island effects and poor pedestrian amenity. Geraldton's mean maximum temperature exceeds 30°C for six (6) months of the year;
- Ecological and Cultural Depletion - The landscape has been stripped of ecological function and First Nations cultural presence. There is no visible recognition of Yamatji connection to country in the public realm; and
- Disconnected Social Activation - The park is underutilised, the streets create severance rather than connection and the precinct does not function as a community destination.

Design Process and Phased Approach
The project is being delivered by a 13 organisation multidisciplinary team led by UDLA, with specialist input from PJA (traffic modelling in the United Kingdom), Arboribus (arboriculture), REMPLAN (benefits analysis) and the Australian Urban Design Research Centre (AUDRC). The design process follows three (3) stages:

Stage 1 - Inception (June - July 2025)

Project establishment, partner meetings and alignment of scope. Development of a stakeholder reference group of approximately 40 members was formed and an ILM workshop was held on 7 October 2025.

Stage 2 - Precinct Discovery (July - November 2025)

Key activities included:

- Site survey and spatial analysis of the park and surrounding streets;
- Arboricultural survey of all 218 existing trees (Arboribus);
- Traffic counts, speed surveys and crash data analysis;
- School pick-up and drop-off observation studies;
- Pedestrian and cyclist movement mapping;
- Ecological and habitat assessment;
- Cultural heritage desktop review and Yamatji knowledge holder engagement; and
- A review of all prior plans, strategies and community engagement records.

Carson Terrace carries approximately 6,800 vehicles per day past five (5) school frontages, with 85th percentile speeds exceeding 50 km/h in a 40 km/h school zone.

Maitland Street operates as a through route for all vehicle types, creating a direct conflict with school pedestrian movements.

Cathedral Avenue functions as a barrier with one (1) pedestrian crossing between Fitzgerald Street and Durlacher Street.

The park interior has a canopy cover deficit of approximately 70% against the City’s Urban Forest Strategy target.

There are no safe, continuous cycling routes connecting the precinct to the wider city network.

Community feedback consistently identified safety, shade and “things to do” as the three (3) highest priorities.

A Council Concept Forum was held in December 2025 to brief Council Members prior to progression to Stage 3.

Stage 3 - Concept Design (December 2025 - present)

Part 1 – Park Design (Landscape-Led Concept and Civic Outcomes)
The concept design builds on earlier strategic work and extensive stakeholder engagement, including community workshops and technical investigations and is grounded in three (3) guiding principles that have consistently shaped the project direction:

- Safe Connected City – prioritising pedestrian safety and active transport connections;
- Inclusive Community – creating a welcoming, accessible and culturally rich public realm; and
- Urban Forest Greening – delivering a substantial uplift in tree canopy and green infrastructure across the precinct.

The park itself is repositioned as a primary civic and community asset, addressing longstanding issues of underutilisation, limited ecological function, and poor amenity. The investment logic mapping process identified that the existing park environment contributes to public health risks, urban heat exposure, ecological degradation and missed opportunities for social activation.

The park interior design is organised around three (3) core landscape principles:

- Trees as the arranging mechanism. A structured tree grid forms the spatial framework for the park, integrating with surrounding streets and significantly increasing canopy cover over time;
- Working with the land. The design responds to natural topography, protecting existing assets and integrating Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) elements such as swales, rain gardens and a central wetland system; and
- Co-designed park elements. The park layout and program have been shaped through extensive stakeholder engagement, including student workshops, community consultation and a structured benefits framework.

This approach is supported by detailed site analysis and technical inputs, including an arboricultural assessment of 218 trees and ecological investigations, which confirm that all healthy trees can be retained while delivering a significant uplift in canopy cover and biodiversity outcomes.

The resulting concept design delivers a multi-functional civic park that includes:

- nature play areas, water play and outdoor learning spaces;
- an events lawn and performance space to support community activation;
- a cultural gathering space incorporating First Nations narratives;

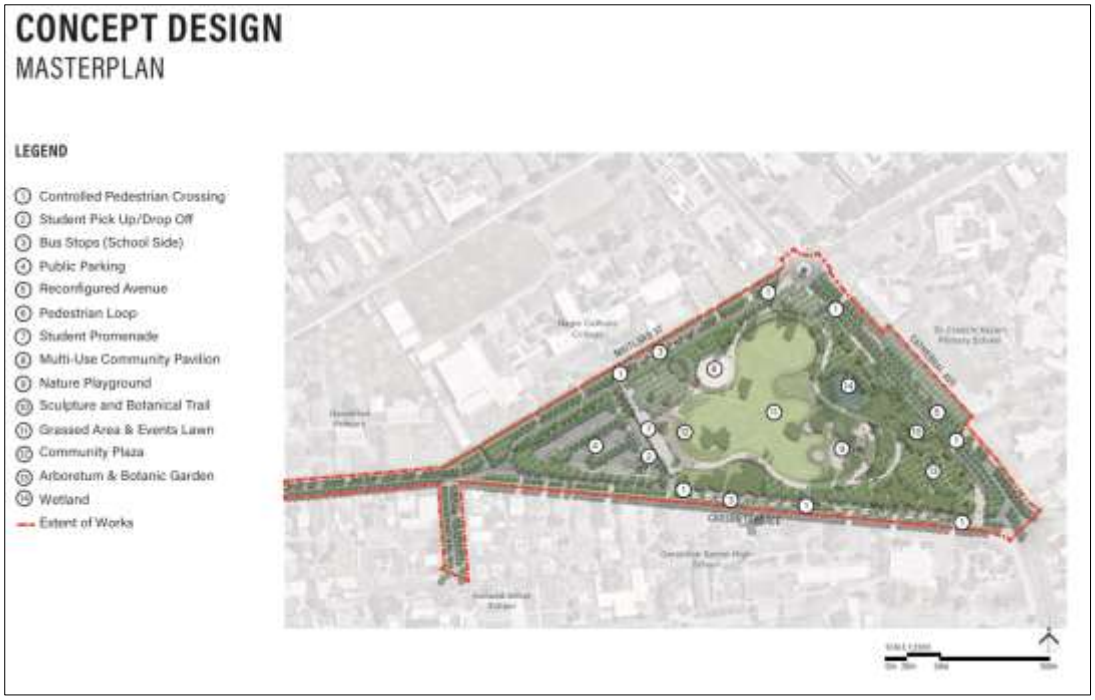
- an arboretum, botanical trail and enhanced biodiversity corridors; and
- integrated pedestrian paths and social spaces designed for all age groups.

The design also embeds a strong climate and public health response, including large scale canopy expansion (targeting 40%+ cover at maturity), urban heat mitigation and WSUD systems to manage stormwater and improve environmental performance.

More broadly, the concept positions Maitland Park as:

- a connected civic destination supporting five (5) surrounding schools and the wider community;
- a place for year round activity and events, building on existing uses such as markets and community gatherings; and
- a gateway landscape reinforcing Geraldton's identity as a liveable, climate adaptive regional city.

The park design is underpinned by a benefits framework identifying 33 measurable outcomes across social, environmental and economic domains, aligned with the City's Strategic Community Plan pillars of Connected, Liveable, Thriving and Leading.



Part 2 – Traffic and Movement (Safety, Access and Network Function)
The transport context of the Maitland Park precinct presents significant and well documented safety challenges, particularly given the daily interaction of more than 3,000 students, staff and community members across five (5) schools.

Technical investigations undertaken during the precinct discovery phase identified several critical issues:

- high traffic volumes and speeds, particularly along Carson Terrace;
- conflict between through traffic and school drop-off/pick-up movements;
- limited safe crossing opportunities for pedestrians; and
- a lack of continuous active transport infrastructure.

These conditions contribute to an environment where the road network currently acts as a barrier rather than a connector, limiting safe access to the park and surrounding schools.

In response, the concept design integrates a comprehensive program of traffic calming, safety improvements and movement network upgrades, including:

- reduced operating speeds (target 30 km/h design environment);
- raised (wombat) pedestrian crossings at all school frontages;
- formalised bus bays and pick-up/drop-off areas separated from through traffic;
- upgraded footpaths and dedicated cycling infrastructure; and
- simplified intersection treatments to reduce conflict points.

Two (2) traffic configuration scenarios have been developed and tested through modelling and stakeholder engagement:

- Scenario 1 – Two-Way Configuration: retains existing two-way traffic flows with safety upgrades within constrained road space; and
- Scenario 2 – One-Way Configuration: converts Carson Terrace and Maitland Street to a one-way loop, reducing crossing complexity and reallocating road space to pedestrian, cycling and greening outcomes.





Both scenarios meet the established safety requirements; however, Scenario 2 provides additional benefits including simplified crossings, increased public realm space and improved alignment with the park design outcomes. Importantly, independent traffic modelling confirms that both scenarios result in negligible impacts on the broader road network, with only minor changes to travel times.

The transport component of the project has therefore been developed as a supporting system to the landscape vision, ensuring that:

- safety risks around schools are materially reduced;
- the park becomes fully accessible and integrated into daily movement patterns; and
- the precinct functions as a connected, people prioritised environment rather than a vehicle dominated space.

The Healthy Streets approach is an internationally recognised, evidence based framework developed by public health specialist Lucy Saunders for embedding public health outcomes in the design of streets and public spaces. It is endorsed by the United Nations (UN-Habitat) and has been adopted as the core evaluation framework by Transport for London. It is now used by thousands of practitioners across the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand and Europe.

In Australia, the Healthy Streets Design Check tool has been specifically adapted for Australian streets and is being applied by state and local government agencies, including in New South Wales and Western Australia.

The framework is built around 10 Healthy Streets Indicators that focus on the human experience of using a street. The two (2) primary indicators are:

- Pedestrians from all walks of life, whether the street is accessible and welcoming to people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds; and
- People choose to walk, cycle and use public transport, whether the street environment makes active and sustainable travel the most attractive option.

These are supported by eight (8) further indicators:

Indicator	**What it measures**
Easy to cross	Can people of all ages and abilities find a safe place to cross without going out of their way?
People feel safe	Do people feel safe from traffic, crime and intimidation, day and night?
Things to see and do	Is the street visually interesting and engaging, with shops, services and activity?
Places to stop and rest	Are there places for people to sit, rest, or wait, particularly older people, families and those with limited mobility?

People feel relaxed	Is the street a low-stress environment, free from the anxiety caused by fast or aggressive traffic?
Not too noisy	Is noise from traffic and other sources at a level that allows conversation and does not cause stress?
Clean air	Is the street free from harmful levels of air pollution?
Shade and shelter	Does the street provide protection from sun, wind and rain through trees, canopies, or built structures?

The Healthy Streets Design Check is a quantitative scoring tool. It measures 19 street design metrics, each scored 0–3, with weightings reflecting relative health impact. The result is an overall score out of 100.

For the Maitland Park Precinct:

Condition	Healthy Streets Score (out of 100)
Existing	25
Scenario 1 (Two-Way)	66
Scenario 2 (One-Way)	90

The existing score of 25 reflects limited shade, narrow footpaths, complex crossings and a car dominated public realm. Scenario 2 achieves 90 due to simplified single lane crossings, expanded tree canopy and planted verges, wider footpaths, reduced traffic speed and volume and 2,500m² of reclaimed green public space.

Benefits Framework

REMPLAN developed a benefits framework identifying 33 benefits across a TBL methodology, mapped to four (4) City Strategic Community Plan pillars:

- Connected. Safe streets, active transport, public transport integration, cycling network, precinct legibility;
- Liveable. Tree canopy, shade, WSUD, biodiversity, play, social gathering, cultural expression, accessibility;
- Thriving. Event activation, tourism, local business foot traffic, property amenity, construction employment; and
- Leading. Innovation, evidence-based design, First Nations partnership, climate adaptation and governance.

Scenario 2 outperforms Scenario 1 across all four (4) pillars, with the most material difference in the Liveable and Leading categories.

Scenario Comparison and Preferred Option

Based on the traffic modelling, Healthy Streets assessment, benefits framework and stakeholder deliberation, Scenario 2 (One-Way) is currently the preferred option:

- Healthy Streets Score of 90 vs 66 for Scenario 1 and 25 existing;
- Single-lane crossings at all school frontages, eliminating the “multiple-threat” collision scenario;
- Approximately 2,500m² of reclaimed road reserve converted to green public space;
- Simplified intersection movements reducing conflict points for pedestrians, cyclists, buses and vehicles;
- Superior performance across all four (4) SCP benefit pillars;
- Overwhelming stakeholder support, PTA, WA Police, all five (5) schools, the SRG; and
- Negligible impact on the broader road network (PJA modelling).

Broader Opportunities
The Maitland Park concept design aligns with and reinforces, the emerging Gateway Spine (connecting parklands to the foreshore via Cathedral Avenue), the City Centre Masterplan (which identifies the precinct as a priority activation area) and the opportunity to create a landmark city entry statement.

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING – ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Connected:
The project directly supports improved community safety and inclusion by addressing significant pedestrian safety risks around five schools. The redesigned precinct will provide safe and inviting public spaces, foster social connections through inclusive community facilities (multi-use pavilion, nature playground, community hub), and celebrate the City's diverse community, including integration of cultural narratives and connection to Yamatji Country.

Liveable:
The project prioritises greening of public spaces, with more than 850 new trees and more than 2,500m² of road converted to green space. It incorporates WSUD, retains all healthy existing trees and creates a new arboretum and botanic garden. Improved active transport connections, wider shared paths, and a pedestrian promenade will enhance connectivity. The nature playground, wetland and sculpture and botanical trail will support community health and wellbeing.

Thriving:
The project will generate education opportunities and economic activity through construction and ongoing activation of the precinct. The multi-use community hub and pavilion will support local events and community gathering, contributing to a vibrant activity centre. The project also supports tourism through the creation of a unique botanic and cultural precinct, establishing a new entry statement to Geraldton.

Leading:
The project demonstrates innovation and best practice design, evidenced using a benefits framework with 33 measurable indicators, a Healthy Streets assessment and detailed traffic modelling. The one-way concept design offers climate resilience through increased tree canopy and potential carbon credit opportunities. The structured, evidence based design process with multiple big room sessions and stakeholder engagement exemplifies transparent and accountable decision-making.

Disclosure of Interest:
No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:
The Maitland Park Concept Masterplan (UDLA) was previously presented to Council at its August 2023 Concept Forum. The project implements recommendations from the Cardno Traffic Modelling Report 2021 and supports delivery of the City's Integrated Transport Strategy 2021.

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:
Community and stakeholder consultation has been undertaken throughout the Precinct Discovery and Concept Design phases, including:

- Big Room Sessions with the multidisciplinary design team and City Officers;
- Engagement with key partners, including the Public Transport Authority (PTA) and Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA), both of whom have expressed support for the preferred scenario;
- School workshops, including a workshop with Geraldton Primary School students (February 2026); and
- Concept Forum presentations to Council Members.

Further community consultation is proposed as the next step, including a second round of stakeholder workshops and external communications.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:
The project aligns with and supports the following City and State policies and strategies: The City’s Strategic Community Plan 2025–2035 – The project delivers benefits across all four (4) strategic themes (Connected, Liveable, Thriving, Leading). The City’s Integrated Transport Strategy (2021), the one-way concept design directly supports the delivery of this strategy. Traffic Modelling Recommendations (Cardno, 2021), the preferred design implements key recommendations from the earlier traffic study. Any road configuration changes will require coordination with Main Roads Western Australia regarding Cathedral Avenue and may require traffic management approvals.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:
The detailed cost plan is currently being finalised as part of the transition from Concept Design to Design Development. The following financial observations are noted from the Concept Design analysis:

- Scenario 2, (One-Way) is estimated to have a lower capital cost than Scenario 1, primarily due to the elimination of the roundabout and reduced hardscape requirements; and
- Scenario 2 offers a carbon credit opportunity due to the significantly larger tree canopy area and expanded green spaces.

An updated cost plan and draft TBL Business Case will be prepared as part of the next phase of the project.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Connected	**An engaged and diverse community where everyone feels included and safe.**
Goal 1	Provide safe and inviting public spaces for people to enjoy.
Goal 2	Foster collaborative partnerships to improve community safety, security and social cohesion.
Goal 4	Be an inclusive City by promoting and celebrating the full diversity of our community, including cultures, identities, backgrounds and abilities.
Strategic Theme: Liveable	**A protected and enhanced natural environment with facilities and services to support community health and wellbeing.**
Goal 1	Prioritise greening the City's streetscapes and public spaces, with a focus on pathways and open space areas.
Goal 2	Improve maintenance and connectivity of the City's transport network, including expanded active transport opportunities.
Goal 3	Manage and protect the City's natural environment, and identify strategies to mitigate climate change.
Goal 5	Invest in community and recreation infrastructure, to support current and future needs.
Strategic Theme: Thriving	**An economically diverse and prosperous City, driving sustainable growth while preserving our local spirit.**
Goal 5	Support and promote diverse tourism offerings, making the City a destination of choice.
Strategic Theme: Leading	**A progressive City where informed decisions, strong advocacy and an enabling culture drives sustainable regional growth.**
Goal 1	Engage with the community to enhance decision-making.
Goal 2	Efficiently and effectively deliver community services and projects, through optimal use of our resources.
Goal 3	Financial sustainability, actively seeking and leveraging external funding to deliver for the community.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:
The project is anticipated to deliver positive regional outcomes, including:

- Creation of a premier green and civic attractor for the Geraldton region, establishing a distinctive entry statement to the City;
- Enhanced active transport infrastructure contributing to the Geraldton Gateway Spine;
- Improved safety outcomes for school aged children and families across five (5) schools; and
- Construction phase economic activity, employment and longer term activation of the precinct supporting local businesses and tourism.

RISK MANAGEMENT:

Risk	Consequence	Mitigation
Failure to address pedestrian safety around the school precinct	Continued risk of serious injury to school aged children in the current unsafe configuration.	Endorsement of the concept design allows progression to detailed design and construction, directly addressing the identified safety risks.
Delay in progressing the project	Loss of stakeholder confidence (PTA, MRWA, schools); potential loss of external funding opportunities.	Endorsement enables timely progression through the design phases and positions the City to pursue grant funding.
Community opposition to traffic changes (one-way configuration)	Reputational risk; potential delays to project delivery.	Broader community consultation and a second round of stakeholder workshops are planned as immediate next steps to build community understanding and support.
Cost escalation during detailed design	Budget pressure on the City.	An updated cost plan will be prepared during design development and a TBL Business Case will quantify costs and benefits before commitment to construction.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:
No alternative options were considered by City Officers.

COUNCIL DECISION
MOVED CR VAN STYN, SECONDED CR COLLIVER
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 5.20 of the *Local Government Act 1995* RESOLVES to:

1. **NOTE the progress of the Maitland Park Transport Hub and Green Connect Project through the concept design phase, including the outcomes of stakeholder engagement, traffic modelling and the benefits framework analysis;**
2. **ENDORSE the preferred concept designs for the Maitland Park Green Connect Project, including both Scenario 1 & 2 (Two Way / One Way configuration) options for further development; and**
3. **AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer to proceed with broader community consultation, a second round of stakeholder workshops and the preparation of detailed designs, a draft Triple Bottom Line Business Case and updated cost plan.**

CARRIED 9/0
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Summary of results:

ITEM	COUNT
Yes	9
No	0
TOTAL VOTES	9

Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes
Cr Fiorenza	Yes
Cr Giudice	Yes
Cr Keemink	Yes
Cr Milnes	Yes
Cr Parker	Yes
Cr Van Styn	Yes

12.5 REPORTS OF OFFICE OF THE CEO

CEO147 HIRE E-SCOOTER EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

AGENDA REFERENCE:	**D-26-067617**
AUTHOR:	**R McKim, Chief Executive Officer**
EXECUTIVE:	**R McKim, Chief Executive Officer**
DATE OF REPORT:	**4 June 2026**
FILE REFERENCE:	**GO/6/0029-003**
ATTACHMENTS:	**Yes (x1) Confidential** **Confidential – Evaluation Report**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The purpose of this report is to seek a Council decision on the Expression of Interest (EOI) process for Hire E-Scooters.

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

1. ENTER into an Operator Deed of Agreement with Ario (3KM Technology Pty Ltd) for the Hire of E-Scooters;
2. SET the conditions to enter into a one (1) year Operator Deed of Agreement with a possible two (2) year extension subject to Council approval;
3. MAKE the determination subject to advertising notice period of not less than 14 days inviting public submissions;
4. REFER the matter back to Council for final consideration if any objecting submissions are received; and
5. AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer to finalise the details of the Operator Deed of Agreement with the successful operator.

PROPONENT:
The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

BACKGROUND:
In September 2022, a trial of hire e-scooters (Item No. CEO097 E-Scooter Hire Expression of Interest) was commenced. On conclusion of the trial, a community consultation process was undertaken. At its Ordinary Meeting of 19 December 2023, Council approved a two-year extension of the eRideable arrangement for the period 1 January 2024 to 1 January 2026 (Item No. CEO114 E-Rideable Hire Trial Outcome).

This agreement was extended by Council at the Ordinary Meeting of Council of 27 January 2026, Item No.CEO43 – Hire eRideable Agreement, as follows:

1. *EXTEND the current hire eRideable agreement for six months or until a new agreement can be determined;*
2. *APPROVE undertaking an Expression of Interest (EOI) process seeking interest from eRideable hire companies to operate in Geraldton;*

3. *APPROVE the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with Council Members and potential hire businesses, negotiate feasible enhanced safety requirements in keeping with Attachment No. CEO143C;*
4. *REQUIRE shortlisted applicants to present to Council Members at a future Concept Forum;*
5. *REQUIRE a report to Council upon conclusion of the EOI process including details on each applicant's eRideable specifications, proposed safety enhancements, geofence details including slow and no go zones and user charges; and*
6. *DIRECT the Chief Executive Officer to write to the State Government encouraging a determination on their Inquiry into eRideables.*

In keeping with this resolution, the existing eRideable Hire licence [for e-scooters] was extended and an Expression of Interest process undertaken. The EOI was advertised as follows:

- The West Australian on Saturday 21 March 2026.
- Geraldton Guardian on Friday 20 March 2026.
- On the City's website and TenderLink e-Tendering Portal.

The submission period closed on Tuesday 14 April 2026.

Two submissions were received as follows:

1. 3KM Technology Pty Ltd trading as Ario.
2. Beam Mobility Australia Pty Ltd trading as Beam / Neuron Mobility.

Both submitters presented to Council Members at their June 2026 Concept Forum.

Ario offers a three-wheel e-scooter and two-wheel e-scooter advertised to have additional safety technology such as pedestrian detection, real time path detection, helmet use monitoring and on the three-wheel scooter, remote reparking and better stability. These features address Council's stated priorities. Additionally, Ario to date reports zero serious incidents and accepts all the draft agreement terms. Please note that its preferred three-wheel vehicle (57.4kg) requires WA Ministerial approval that is not yet granted. A compliant two-wheel e-scooter retaining most safety features is available.

Beam offers proven local operations and proven eRideable technology which do have safety features (geofencing, speed control, behaviour management, reaction testing). They have an established local operation employing local residents and are responsive when concerns are raised with them (eRideable parked poorly, adjustments to the geofence areas and zones etc). They have also demonstrated their willingness to issue 'strikes' and ban riders for poor behaviour.

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING – ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Connected:
The hire e-scooter arrangement contributes to a connected Geraldton community by providing an alternate transport option. The scheme enables residents and visitors to move between key destinations such as the foreshore, shopping precincts and local attractions.

Liveable:
The hire e-scooter scheme enhances Geraldton's liveability by offering a transport alternative. This supports improved air quality and reduced road traffic. eRideables (e-scooters and e-bikes) encourage active lifestyles by promoting outdoor movement and recreation. Negative impacts include safety concerns, increased demand for infrastructure maintenance and the need for effective regulation and community education.

The City partnered with the State Government to fund an Active Travel Officer, who worked diligently with the local community and schools on increasing active travel in the local community and safe use of scooters and bicycles. This program has now ceased as the State funding for this position was not extended.

Thriving:
The hire-scooter agreement assists Geraldton thrive by boosting the local economy, boosting local tourism and creating local employment.

Leading:
By deciding on the hire e-scooter arrangement, Council is actively demonstrating leadership. If Council decides to proceed with allowing a hire e-scooter business to operate in Geraldton, they need to consider the potential advantages of selecting an operator with a known track record against a new provider offering a vehicle with advertised additional safety features.

Disclosure of Interest:
No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:
Hire of e-scooters has been available in Geraldton since 2022. Different local governments across the country have made different decisions on introducing and continuing hire schemes. Previous reports to Council on this matter include:

- Item No. CEO143 Hire e-Rideable Agreement – 27 January 2026.
- Item No. CEO114 e-Rideable Hire Trial Outcome – 19 December 2023.
- Item No. CEO097 E-Scooter Hire EOI – 26 July 2022.

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:
Formal community consultation was undertaken in December 2023. In addition, the local and state media has covered the topic on many occasions,

with the Council Members receiving feedback from individual community members.
The draft deed of agreement and EOI selection criteria were provided to Council Members via email in February with feedback received incorporated into the final EOI document with presentations and question time with submitters facilitated at the June 2026 Concept Forum. The Officer recommendation for this report also provides a fourteen (14) day submission period.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:
The first legalisation of eRideables (e-scooters and e-bikes) in Western Australia occurred in December 2021. This was achieved through amendments to the Road Traffic Code 2000, which provides the legal framework for vehicles and devices on WA roads. The new rules were introduced by the WA Road Safety Commission and State Government, using powers under the *Road Traffic Act 1974*. It sets out speed limits, age limits and device specifications. The WA Government's safety guidance notes state that "all road laws that apply to vehicles apply to eRideables unless expressly excluded". Other Australian States have also approved the use of eRiideables. The core rules applying to eRideables across different states are similar (speed limits, age, use of helmets).

Injuries and deaths in WA triggered the State Government to undertake an Inquiry into the laws associated with the use of eRideables. The City and other local governments participated in the inquiry process. The resulting report was tabled in State Parliament on 4 December 2025 and is available on their website. The State Parliament is yet to determine its position on the report.

Local Governments do not hold general enforcement powers under the *Road Traffic Act 1974.* Enforcement of WA's road laws, including speeding, licencing, dangerous driving, vehicle compliance and other offences rests with the WA Police. Local Governments can collect data, manage road environments, set parking rules and advocate, but all statutory road traffic enforcement rests with the WA Police.

What Local Governments can do is allow hire e-scooter businesses to utilise City owned or controlled land to park / operate their e-scooters. Local Governments have no authority to approve or manage privately owned eRideables (e-scooters and e-bikes). However, local governments are on the front line of this issue as they largely operate on footpaths, shared paths and local roads. As a result, across the nation there have been a variety of responses from local governments associated with hire e-scooter businesses.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:
There is currently no financial arrangement between the Council and the hire business. The proposed new licence would include a clause providing revenue to the City (approximately $60-$70,000 per annum).

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Connected	**An engaged and diverse community where everyone feels included and safe.**
Goal 1	Provide safe and inviting public spaces for people to enjoy.
Strategic Theme: Liveable	**A protected and enhanced natural environment with facilities and services to support community health and wellbeing.**
Goal 5	Invest in community and recreation infrastructure, to support current and future needs.
Strategic Theme: Thriving	**An economically diverse and prosperous City, driving sustainable growth while preserving our local spirit.**
Goal 1	Support existing businesses and attract new investment, contributing to a vibrant CBD and other key activity centres.
Goal 5	Support and promote diverse tourism offerings, making the City a destination of choice.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:
A hire e-scooter arrangement enhances the region by increasing transport options for locals and visitors, potentially attracting more tourists to the CBD and key activity centres.

RISK MANAGEMENT:
There are significant risks associated with the operation of e-scooters that need to be carefully considered. Safety concerns are paramount. The devices offered by hire e-scooter businesses have additional safety features that aim to reduce these risks. However, as with the use of other vehicles (bikes, e-bikes, cars, trucks, buses) it is possible that incidents will occur. As per the current agreement, the proposed Deed of Agreement does require the successful business to indemnify the City.

There is always a risk associated with endorsing a new supplier / service. Ario is a relatively new business with a shorter Eastern States track record when compared to Beam. Ario will need to establish themselves in Western Australia, in Geraldton and develop a local operation that is responsive to community concerns and customer expectations. The three-wheel device may not get approved by the Minister and if it does get approved, because of its size, it may block pathways in suburban areas. The devices' rideability is unknown.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:
The following options were considered by City Officers:

- Council may resolve to NOT SUPPORT any hire e-scooter businesses operating in Geraldton.
- Council may resolve to DEFER this matter requesting Officers' approach each of the submitters to determine if they would agree to both operating

100 eRideables for a twelve (12) month period with data provided to council on their usage, their responsiveness to community concerns and safety performance.

- Council may resolve to SUPPORT Ario for a two-year period followed by one year extension subject to council approval.
- Council may resolve to SUPPORT Beam Mobility.

Cr Colliver moved the motion with an additional point 6, for the CEO to seek an extension of the current agreement with Beam Mobility Australia Pty Ltd.

During the debate Cr Van Styn foreshadowed a motion different from the Executive Recommendation to enter into an Operator Deed of Agreement with Beam (Beam Mobility Australia Pty Ltd) for the Hire of E-Scooters, as they are established and are a proven provider that have serviced the community over the past three years, should the motion be lost.

COUNCIL DECISION
MOVED CR COLLIVER, SECONDED CR DENTON
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 5.20 of the *Local Government Act 1995* RESOLVES to:

1. **ENTER into an Operator Deed of Agreement with Ario (3KM Technology Pty Ltd) for the Hire of E-Scooters;**
2. **SET the conditions to enter into a one (1) year Operator Deed of Agreement with a possible two (2) year extension subject to Council approval;**
3. **MAKE the determination subject to advertising notice period of not less than 14 days inviting public submissions;**
4. **REFER the matter back to Council for final consideration if any objecting submissions are received;**
5. **AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer to finalise the details of the Operator Deed of Agreement with the successful operator; and**
6. **AUTHORISE CEO to seek an extension of the current agreement with Beam Mobility Australia Pty Ltd for three months to provide a transition period for continuity of service.**

CARRIED 6/3
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Summary of results:

ITEM	COUNT
Yes	6
No	3
TOTAL VOTES	9

Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes

Cr Fiorenza	**Yes**
Cr Giudice	**Yes**
Cr Milnes	**Yes**
Cr Keemink	**No**
Cr Parker	**No**
Cr Van Styn	**No**

REASON FOR VARIATION TO THE EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION: That Council request that the CEO seek an extension of current Agreement with Beam Mobility Australia Pty Ltd for three months to provide a transition period.

12.6 REPORTS TO BE RECEIVED

RR84 REPORTS TO BE RECEIVED - JUNE	
AGENDA REFERENCE:	**D-26-069791**
AUTHOR:	**R McKim, Chief Executive Officer**
EXECUTIVE:	**R McKim, Chief Executive Officer**
DATE OF REPORT:	**19 June 2026**
FILE REFERENCE:	**GO/6/0029**
ATTACHMENTS:	**Yes (x4)** **A. Delegated Determinations and Subdivision Applications for Planning Approval** **B. WALGA State Council Agenda – 1 July 2026** **C. List of Accounts Paid Under Delegation – May 2026** **D. List of Payments by Employees via Purchasing Cards – May 2026**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The purpose of this report is 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 Services:
      i. DSDD044 – Delegated Determinations and Subdivision Applications for Planning Approval.
   b. Reports – Office of the CEO:
      i. CEO148 – WALGA State Council Agenda – 1 July 2026.

PART B
That Council by Simple Majority, pursuant to Regulation 13 and 13A of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* RESOLVES to:

1. RECEIVE the following appended reports:
   a. Reports – Corporate Services:
      i. CS312 – List of Accounts Paid Under Delegation – May 2026; and
      ii. CS313 – List of Payments by Employees via Purchasing Cards – May 2026.

PROPONENT:
The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

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.

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING – ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Connected:
By receiving these reports, Council is providing additional information to the community, keeping them connected to Council information and decisions.

Liveable:
There are no adverse impacts.

Thriving:
There are no adverse impacts.

Leading:
This report demonstrates the City's commitment to high-quality governance that upholds transparency and accountability.

Disclosure of Interest:
No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:
Reports to be received by Council at each Ordinary Meeting of Council.

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:
There has been no community/Council Member consultation.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:
There are no legislative or policy implications.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:
There are no financial or resource implications.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Leading	**A progressive City where informed decisions, strong advocacy and an enabling culture drives sustainable regional growth.**
Goal 6	Ensure high quality governance activities enabling transparency and accountability.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:
There are no impacts to regional outcomes.

RISK MANAGEMENT:
There are no risks to be considered.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:
No alternative options were considered by City Officers.

COUNCIL DECISION
MOVED CR COLLIVER, SECONDED CR KEEMINK

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 Services:**
      i. **DSDD044 – Delegated Determinations and Subdivision Applications for Planning Approval.**
   b. **Reports – Office of the CEO:**
      i. **CEO148 – WALGA State Council Agenda – 1 July 2026.**

PART B
That Council by Simple Majority, pursuant to Regulation 13 and 13A of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* RESOLVES to:

1. **RECEIVE the following appended reports:**
   a. **Reports – Corporate Services:**
      i. **CS312 – List of Accounts Paid Under Delegation – May 2026; and**
      ii. **CS313 – List of Payments by Employees via Purchasing Cards – May 2026.**

CARRIED 9/0
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Summary of results:

ITEM	COUNT
Yes	9
No	0
TOTAL VOTES	9

Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes
Cr Fiorenza	Yes

Cr Giudice	**Yes**
Cr Keemink	**Yes**
Cr Milnes	**Yes**
Cr Parker	**Yes**
Cr Van Styn	**Yes**

13 MOTIONS BY MEMBERS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

There were none.

14 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

There were none.

15 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF THE MEETING

There was none.

16 MEETING CLOSED TO PUBLIC

Pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Meeting Procedures Local Law 2011, please note this part of the meeting *may* need to be closed to the public, *if* confidential discussion is required.

Confidential discussion was not required for Item Nos. CS314 and IS336.

CS314	RFT 2526 15 DESIGN, SUPPLY, AND LAY BITUMINOUS PRODUCTS
AGENDA REFERENCE:	**D-26-066782**
AUTHOR:	**C Bryant, Coordinator Procurement, L Maldea, Manager Corporate Compliance**
EXECUTIVE:	**P Radalj, Director Corporate Services**
DATE OF REPORT:	**29 May 2026**
FILE REFERENCE:	**FM/25/0366**
ATTACHMENTS:	**Yes (x1) Confidential Confidential – RFT 2526 15 Evaluation Report**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to award tender RFT 2526 15 Design, Supply, and Lay Bituminous Products to the recommended tenderer.

The contract is proposed to run for a period of two years for the delivery of budgeted design, supply, and lay of bituminous products.

The initial contract term proposed is 15 August 2026 to 14 August 2028 with the option of a one year extension exercisable at the discretion of the City.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Sections 3.57 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and Regulation 18(4) of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996* RESOLVES to:

NOTE - Council to insert successful tender name when moving the motion

1. ACCEPT the evaluation panel's recommendation, being the tender submission for Tender No. RFT 2526 15 Design, Supply, and Lay Bituminous Products, received from the Recommended Tenderer, _____, named as Tenderer 1 in the Evaluation Panel Report recommendation detailed in Confidential Attachment No. CS314 as the most advantageous, for the estimated annual contract value of $_____ excluding GST.

PROPONENT:
The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

BACKGROUND:
Tender RFT 2526 15 Design, Supply, and Lay Bituminous Products (RFT) was advertised in The Geraldton Guardian on 27 March 2026, in The West Australian on 28 March 2026, and the City's TenderLink e-Tendering Portal. The RFT closed on 16 April 2026.

Fourteen interested parties registered to receive copies of the tender and three tender submissions were received. The tender assessment was undertaken by a panel of five Officers with three voting and two non-voting.

The RFT has a two-year duration commencing from 15 August 2026 and has an additional one year extension option at the absolute discretion of the City. The City has adopted a two-year supply contract period for a variety of goods and services used in its operational and maintenance programs.

There has previously been a two-year contract for Design, Supply, and Lay Bituminous Products RFT 2223 22 (Item No. CS058), and prior to that a two-year contract RFT 27 1920 Design, Supply and Lay of Bituminous Products (Item No. IS216).

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING – ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Connected:
Well maintained road networks support the community by providing a safe environment for all users of City assets including road users, pedestrians, cyclists, and workers.

Liveable:
Undertaking the proposed works will improve the maintenance and connectivity of the City's active transport opportunities, thereby supporting community health and wellbeing.

Thriving:
Awarding this tender will strengthen the local economy by supporting businesses and creating employment opportunities for community members, including labourers, truck drivers, and traffic controllers. It will also generate demand for locally sourced materials, ensuring that City funds are reinvested into the community through both workforce engagement and supply chain partnerships.

Leading:
The services delivered through this tender process demonstrate strong leadership in resource management and service delivery with works monitored by the City through Key Performance Indicator (KPI) checklists and safety management audits. By ensuring the efficient and effective use of public funds, the tender supports the timely and high-quality delivery of community services and projects. The process also upholds principles of transparency, accountability, and good governance, reinforcing the City's commitment to ethical and responsible leadership.

Disclosure of Interest:
No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:
Council awarded a two-year supply contract RFT 2223 22 Design, Supply, and Lay Bituminous Products on 25 July 2023, Item No. CS058. The initial contract term was from 15 August 2023 to 14 August 2025, with an extension to contract approved 3 June 2025 to extend the contract until 14 August 2026.

Prior to RFT 2223 22 Design, Supply, and Lay Bituminous Products, Council awarded a two-year services contract RFT 27 1920 Design, Supply and Lay of Bituminous Products on 28 July 2020, Item No. IS216. The initial contract term was from 15 August 2020 to 14 August 2022, with an extension to contract approved 12 May 2022 to extend the contract until 14 August 2023.

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:
Community and Council Member consultation is not undertaken for the award of two-year supply contracts for essential services. Engagement on these services occurs as part of Council's annual budget approval process.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:
The *Local Government Act 1995* and Council Policy 4.9 Procurement of Goods and Services were observed when preparing and recommending the award of this tender. Safe work methods and environmental management in line with legislative requirements will be observed as part of the delivery of the contract.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:
Based on an estimated annual usage scenario, the expenditure for Design, Supply, and Lay Bituminous Products is approximately $1,312,901 (excluding GST) per annum. If all extension options are exercised, the total estimated contract value over three years is $3,938,703 (excluding GST).

Funding is primarily sourced from the Project Delivery and Maintenance Operations budgets. Any cost variations will be reflected in future Annual Budgets and the Long-Term Financial Plan (LTFP).

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Connected	**An engaged and diverse community where everyone feels included and safe.**
Goal 1	Provide safe and inviting public spaces for people to enjoy.
Strategic Theme: Liveable	**A protected and enhanced natural environment with facilities and services to support community health and wellbeing.**
Goal 2	Improve maintenance and connectivity of the City's transport network, including expanded active transport opportunities.
Strategic Theme:	**An economically diverse and prosperous City,**

Thriving	**driving sustainable growth while preserving our local spirit.**
Goal 1	Support existing businesses and attract new investment, contributing to a vibrant CBD and other key activity centres.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:
There are no impacts to regional outcomes.

RISK MANAGEMENT:
The successful tenderer will have documented management plans in place to ensure the safety and protection of workers and the community in relation to this service.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:
Council may consider awarding the RFT to a Tenderer other than the Evaluation Panel's recommendation. Accepting an alternative submission is a matter for Council.

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Sections 3.57 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and Regulation 18(4) of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996* RESOLVES to:

NOTE - Council to insert successful tender name when moving the motion

1. ACCEPT the tender submission for Tender No. RFT 2526 15 Design, Supply, and Lay Bituminous Products, received from, _____, named as Tenderer ___ in the Evaluation Panel Report detailed in Confidential Attachment No. CS314 as the most advantageous, for the estimated annual contract value of $_____ excluding GST; and
2. MAKE the determination based on the following reason/s:
   a. To be determined by Council.

NOTE - Council inserted the successful tender name when moving the motion

COUNCIL DECISION
MOVED CR COLLIVER, SECONDED CR VAN STYN
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Sections 3.57 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and Regulation 18(4) of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996* RESOLVES to:

1. **ACCEPT the evaluation panel's recommendation, being the tender submission for Tender No. RFT 2526 15 Design, Supply, and Lay Bituminous Products, received from the Recommended Tenderer, Fulton Hogan Industries Pty Ltd, named as Tenderer 1 in the Evaluation Panel Report recommendation detailed in Confidential Attachment No. CS314 as the most advantageous, for the estimated annual contract value of $1,312,901 excluding GST.**

CARRIED 9/0

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Summary of results:

ITEM	COUNT
Yes	9
No	0
TOTAL VOTES	9

Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes
Cr Fiorenza	Yes
Cr Giudice	Yes
Cr Keemink	Yes
Cr Milnes	Yes
Cr Parker	Yes
Cr Van Styn	Yes

IS336	RFT 2425 21 YOUTH PRECINCT REDEVELOPMENT CONSTRUCTION
AGENDA REFERENCE:	**D-26-063372**
AUTHOR:	**C Edwards, Manager Project Delivery and Engineering**
EXECUTIVE:	**C Lee, Director Infrastructure Services**
DATE OF REPORT:	**2 June 2026**
FILE REFERENCE:	**FM/25/0335**
ATTACHMENTS:	**Yes (x1) Confidential** **Confidential – RFT 2425 21 Tender Evaluation Report**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to award RFT 2425 21 Youth Precinct Redevelopment Construction to the preferred tenderer.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 3.57 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and Regulation 18(4) of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996* RESOLVES to:

NOTE - Council to insert successful tender name when moving the motion

1. ACCEPT the tender submission for Tender No. RFT 2425 21 Youth Precinct Redevelopment Construction received from _____, named as Tenderer 2 in the Evaluation Panel Report recommendation detailed in Confidential Attachment No. IS336 as the most advantageous, for the contract value of $_____, excluding GST.

PROPONENT:
The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton (the City).

BACKGROUND:
The Geraldton Youth Precinct (the Precinct), located on the Foreshore at Stow Gardens, has been an important recreational destination since its establishment in 2016. As a highly utilised public space, the Precinct has played a central role in supporting youth activity, social connection and community wellbeing. Over time, the existing infrastructure, play equipment and surrounding amenities have progressively deteriorated with several elements reaching end-of-life or requiring significant refurbishment. In response to these emerging asset conditions, Council Members resolved to advance the Geraldton Youth Precinct Upgrade from concept development through detailed design and into full construction on 29 October 2024, in Item No. IS313 Foreshore Youth Precinct Concept Masterplan. This ensured the facility would continue to meet the needs and expectations of Geraldton's youth and the broader community.

Throughout 2024-25, the City undertook an extensive program of community engagement to capture local priorities for the redeveloped precinct. This included youth focused workshops, public surveys and consultation with surrounding businesses and service providers. The insights gained from this process were instrumental in shaping the Geraldton Youth Precinct Upgrade Concept Masterplan. The Masterplan was subsequently refined and validated through the detailed design phase to ensure it remained closely aligned with community aspirations and operational requirements

The City subsequently sought tenders from suitably experienced, qualified and resourced contractors to undertake the construction of the new Youth Precinct.

The Request for Tender (RFT) was advertised in The West Australian on 3 April 2026 and the Geraldton Guardian on 4 April 2026. The RFT was also published on the City's TenderLink e-Tendering Portal, with a closing date of 8 May 2026.

A total of 51 suppliers registered to receive the Request for Tender and three (3) conforming submissions were received.

The tender assessment was undertaken by an evaluation panel comprising four (4) Officers, including three (3) voting members and one (1) non-voting mandatory compliance representative.

The Regional Price Preference discount in terms of Council Policy 4.11 was applied to all tenderers.

All three (3) submissions were deemed compliant and progressed for assessment against the following qualitative and price criteria:

a. Price (50%);
b. Tenderer's relevant experience and resources (25%); and
c. Methodology and project schedule (25%).

The above selection criteria were adopted to select the most advantageous tenderer.

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING –
ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Connected:
The Youth Precinct is designed to provide a free, safe and inviting public space for the City's youth of all cultures, identities, backgrounds and abilities to recreate. The design is in accordance with the Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles and incorporates many of the elements requested by the stakeholder group.

Liveable:
The project represents a significant investment in a community enabling recreation facility to meet the current and future needs of the City's youth. Hard

and soft landscaping will form an important part of the project to improve the accessibility and greening of this open space.

Thriving:

Awarding the tender is expected to result in a significant proportion of City funding flowing into the local economy through the engagement of local subcontractors and suppliers for the project. The Precinct will also support tourism to the area by providing a facility that will attract families with teenage children.

Leading:

The project demonstrates leadership through the extensive community stakeholder co-design process used to develop the masterplan for the Precinct. The thorough process of community engagement has ensured that the project will meet the needs of the community into the future.

Disclosure of Interest:

No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:

Council Item No. IS330 RFT 2526 11 Allanooka Springs Road Widening provides a precedent. Council resolved to award the contract to the preferred tenderer on 27 January 2026 within the available construction budget.

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:

On 9 September 2024, Council Members were advised that the concept design has been completed for the Foreshore Youth Precinct Masterplan and that Officers would be commencing the final stage of wider community and stakeholder engagement to finalise the design. On 1 October 2024, Council Members were provided feedback on the outcome of the community engagement regarding the Youth Precinct Upgrade Concept Masterplan. Item No. IS313 Foreshore Youth Precinct Concept Masterplan was endorsed by Council on 29 October 2024 subject to further community engagement. On 11 June 2025, Council Members were advised that community engagement on the updated Youth Precinct Masterplan would be commencing. Council Members were then consulted at Concept Forum on 1 July 2025 regarding the outcome of the community feedback on the updated Precinct Masterplan. The updated masterplan was endorsed by Council Members through Item No. IS322 Updated Youth Precinct Masterplan on 29 July 2025.

Extensive community consultation has been undertaken for this project. The first community survey was conducted during March and April 2024. Workshops have been conducted with youth from four (4) schools who participated in a co-design process with the City's consultants to define the masterplan for the Precinct. Consultation was also conducted in a drop-in engagement session for the skateboarding community on 13 August 2025. A further community survey was conducted in September 2024 sharing the masterplan for comment. Feedback has also been sought directly from the businesses and clubs in the vicinity.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:
The Local Government Act 1995 and Council Policy 4.9 Procurement of Goods and Services were observed when preparing and recommending the award of this tender. Safe work methods and environmental management in line with legislative requirements will be observed as part of the delivery of the contract.

The provision of a Youth Precinct is underpinned by the City's Youth Policy 1.2 Youth and Youth Strategy which defines youth as persons aged 12-15 years and provides direction on matters pertaining to young people. This includes engaging collaboratively with young people in the development and planning of relevant infrastructure, facilities, programs and opportunities for young people. The policy also stipulates the provision of activity hub locations for youth participation at the Geraldton Foreshore.

The process to develop the Youth Precinct Redevelopment Masterplan and deliver the project also aligns with Council Policy Community Engagement 1.6.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:
The available budget for the construction phase is $5,734,029 excluding GST and the recommended tender award is within the available budget. The City has the necessary resources in place to effectively manage the delivery of the contract.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Connected	**An engaged and diverse community where everyone feels included and safe.**
Goal 1	Provide safe and inviting public spaces for people to enjoy.
Strategic Theme: Liveable	**A protected and enhanced natural environment with facilities and services to support community health and wellbeing.**
Goal 1	Prioritise greening the City's streetscapes and public spaces, with a focus on pathways and open space areas.
Goal 5	Invest in community and recreation infrastructure, to support current and future needs.
Strategic Theme: Thriving	**An economically diverse and prosperous City, driving sustainable growth while preserving our local spirit.**
Goal 5	Support and promote diverse tourism offerings, making the City a destination of choice.
Strategic Theme: Leading	**A progressive City where informed decisions, strong advocacy and an enabling culture drives sustainable regional growth.**
Goal 1	Engage with the community to enhance decision-making.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:

The development of a safe and inviting space for the youth in the community will contribute to better outcomes for the broader regional community.

RISK MANAGEMENT:
The successful tenderer will be engaged under an amended form of the AS 4000 General Conditions of Contract, which provides industry-standard provisions for the allocation and management of construction risk. Due diligence has been undertaken as part of the tender evaluation process to confirm that the successful tenderer has the demonstrated capability, capacity and experience to undertake the works.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:
No alternative options were considered as the project has been through a significant community consultation process and is within the available budget.

NOTE - Council inserted the successful tender name when moving the motion.

COUNCIL DECISION
MOVED CR COLLIVER, SECONDED CR DENTON
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 3.57 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and Regulation 18(4) of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996* RESOLVES to:

1. **ACCEPT the tender submission for Tender No. RFT 2425 21 Youth Precinct Redevelopment Construction received from Crothers Construction Pty Ltd named as Tenderer 2 in the Evaluation Panel Report recommendation detailed in Confidential Attachment No. IS336 as the most advantageous, for the contract value of $4,732,104.07, excluding GST.**

CARRIED 9/0
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Summary of results:

ITEM	COUNT
Yes	9
No	0
TOTAL VOTES	9

Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes
Cr Fiorenza	Yes
Cr Giudice	Yes
Cr Keemink	Yes
Cr Milnes	Yes
Cr Parker	Yes
Cr Van Styn	Yes

Confidential discussion was required for Item no. DS099.

PROCEDURAL MOTION
MOVED MAYOR CLUNE, SECONDED CR COLLIVER
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(1) of Meeting Procedures Local Law, as the matters if disclosed would reveal information that has a commercial value to a person (s.5.23(2)(e)(ii) of the *Local Government Act 1995*) and about the business, professional commercial or financial affairs of a person, where the information is held by, or is about, a person other than the local government (s.5.23(2)(e)(iii) *Local Government Act 1995*).

CARRIED 9/0
30/06/2026 6:30:51 PM
Summary of results:

ITEM	COUNT
Yes	9
No	0
TOTAL VOTES	9

Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes
Cr Fiorenza	Yes
Cr Giudice	Yes
Cr Keemink	Yes
Cr Milnes	Yes
Cr Parker	Yes
Cr Van Styn	Yes

Cr Keemink left Chambers at 6.30pm and returned at 6.32pm.

The public left Chambers at 6.31pm.
Livestreaming was turned off at 6.31pm.

DS099 CONFIDENTIAL - DISPOSAL OF LAND (Public Version)	
AGENDA REFERENCE:	**D-26-066545**
AUTHOR:	**K Wheeler, Property Officer**
EXECUTIVE:	**T Free, Director Development Services**
DATE OF REPORT:	**11 June 2026**
FILE REFERENCE:	**PM/6/0008**
ATTACHMENTS:	**Yes (x4) Confidential** **A. Confidential - Map** **B. Confidential - Letter of Offer and Contract of Sale of Land by Offer and Acceptance, including Annexure A** **C. Confidential - Valuation Extract - Burgess Rawson** **D. Confidential - Valuation Extract - Preston Rowe Patterson**

Item No. DS099 was provided to Council under separate cover.

Pursuant to Section 5.2 (1) of the Meeting Procedures Local Law 2011, please note this part of the meeting was closed to the public, as confidential discussion was required.

In accordance with section 5.23(4) of the Local Government Act 1995 and section 5.2(1) of Meeting Procedures Local Law 2011, this item and supporting attachments are confidential as they contain information relating to a contract entered into, or may be entered into by the local government and legal advice obtained, or which may be obtained, by the local government and which relates to a matter to be discussed at the meeting.

Item No. DS099 was considered and determined behind closed doors and the Council Decision only is currently available for the public record.

COUNCIL DECISION
MOVED CR COLLIVER, SECONDED CR KEEMINK
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 3.58 of the *Local Government Act 1995* RESOLVES to:

1. **APPROVE the disposal of Lot 9 on Deposited Plan 25415 (Certificate of Title Volume 2217 Folio 828) to the Western Australian Land Authority trading as DevelopmentWA, by way of exempt disposition as per Regulation 30(2)(c) of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996 (WA)*;**
2. **AGREE to the Sale Price offered in Attachment No. DS099B - Confidential - Letter of Offer and Contract of Sale of Land by Offer and Acceptance, including Annexure A;**
3. **AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute a binding Contract for Sale of Land by Offer and Acceptance; and**
4. **MAKE this report public following settlement of the property.**

CARRIED 9/0

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Summary of results:

ITEM	COUNT
Yes	9
No	0
TOTAL VOTES	9

Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes
Cr Fiorenza	Yes
Cr Giudice	Yes
Cr Keemink	Yes
Cr Milnes	Yes
Cr Parker	Yes
Cr Van Styn	Yes

Item No. DS099 currently remains confidential as it contains information relating to a contract entered into, or may be entered into by the local government and legal advice obtained, or which may be obtained, by the local government and which relates to a matter to be discussed at the meeting, as per section 5.23(4) of the Local Government Act 1995 and section 5.2(1) of Meeting Procedures Local Law 2011.

This item will be made public following settlement of the property. Therefore, the Minutes of this meeting will be updated at that time to include the full item.

DS099 DISPOSAL OF LAND *No longer confidential*	
AGENDA REFERENCE:	**D-26-066545**
AUTHOR:	**K Wheeler, Property Officer**
EXECUTIVE:	**T Free, Director Development Services**
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Postscript

Following settlement of the property on 14 October 2026, this report is no longer confidential and is now publicly available, in accordance with Council Decision Point 4. The attachments remain confidential.

Pursuant to Section 5.2 (1) of the Meeting Procedures Local Law 2011, please note this part of the meeting was closed to the public, as confidential discussion was required.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to dispose of Lot 9 North West Coastal Highway, White Peak to the Western Australian Land Authority trading as DevelopmentWA. The land is not required for current or future City operations and has no identified strategic or service delivery purpose. Disposal to DevelopmentWA aligns with sound asset management principles and supports State-led regional development objectives. Based on the valuations received, the proposed sale price is $385,000 (inclusive of GST).

This report to Council has been listed as confidential, to deal with information at the meeting prescribed for section 5.23(4)(g) of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

Regulation 4A(a) of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996* applies as the matter, if disclosed, would reveal information about the price, or potential price, for the sale of property by the City of Greater Geraldton and any information relating to the price or potential price.

The report and information fall within the above scope as the Council is to consider approving the sale of land and setting the sale price for said land.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 3.58 of the *Local Government Act 1995* RESOLVES to:

1. APPROVE the disposal of Lot 9 on Deposited Plan 25415 (Certificate of Title Volume 2217 Folio 828) to the Western Australian Land Authority trading as DevelopmentWA, by way of exempt disposition as per Regulation 30(2)(c) of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996 (WA)*;
2. AGREE to the Sale Price offered in Attachment No. DS099B - Confidential - Letter of Offer and Contract of Sale of Land by Offer and Acceptance, including Annexure A;
3. AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute a binding Contract for Sale of Land by Offer and Acceptance; and
4. MAKE this report public following settlement of the property.

PROPONENT:
The proponent is the West Australian Land Authority trading as DevelopmentWA.

BACKGROUND:
Lot 9 North West Coastal Highway, White Peak is a 16.0845-hectare vacant rural lot located within the Shire of Chapman Valley. The site is historically known as the White Peak Quarry, with operations dating back to the 1860s and supplying stone for regional infrastructure. This land has been retained by the City since 2001 following subdivision of the original landholding. At that time, LandCorp (now DevelopmentWA) acquired the western portion of the site (Lot 10) as part of the Oakajee Port Project, while the City retained Lot 9 for potential future use of quarry material.

The site has not been used for quarrying for a significant period and the City has no current or foreseeable operational, strategic or service delivery requirement for the land. Continued ownership does not provide a community or operational benefit and presents potential long-term holding and liability considerations.

In recent years, the City has periodically considered the future use of the land. In 2021, preliminary discussions were held regarding a potential transfer of the property to DevelopmentWA however, these discussions did not progress. In 2025, DevelopmentWA renewed its interest in the site and sought information as part of its broader strategic interest in land within the Oakajee Strategic Industrial Area (SIA) buffer. Following this engagement, DevelopmentWA advised in November 2025 that it was progressing internal approvals with a view to acquiring the property.

Internal consultation across relevant City departments identified no objections to a potential disposal. On this basis, it was recommended that the City Officers engage with DevelopmentWA as the preferred purchaser, given its strategic

role in the region and its existing landholdings within the Oakajee SIA and buffer area.

DevelopmentWA has now advanced a formal acquisition process and submitted an Offer and Acceptance dated 25 March 2026. Two independent market valuations commissioned by DevelopmentWA assessed the property at $380,000 and $390,000. A purchase price of $385,000 (inclusive of GST) has been offered, representing a midpoint between the valuation outcomes.

The site is no longer required for quarrying or any other operational purpose, and the City has no strategic plans for its future use. Continued ownership provides no service delivery or strategic benefit, whereas disposal to DevelopmentWA supports coordinated land management within the Oakajee SIA buffer.

CONNECTED, LIVEABLE, THRIVING, LEADING – ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Connected:
The disposal aligns ownership of land within the Oakajee Strategic Industrial Area buffer with the State Government agency responsible for coordinated land use and development planning in the region. This supports a more integrated approach to land management and strategic planning.

Liveable:
The land is vacant, has no public access role and is not used for community facilities or service delivery. Its disposal will not result in any loss of community amenity or access, nor will it adversely affect local residents or users.

Thriving:
Transfer of the land to DevelopmentWA supports State-led economic development objectives and facilitates future planning and investment opportunities within the Oakajee SIA buffer. This contributes to regional economic confidence without requiring further City investment.

Leading:
The proposal demonstrates sound governance and disciplined asset management by selling a surplus, non-operational asset at independently assessed market value through a compliant exempt disposition process. The disposal reduces future holding and liability risks while ensuring transparency and accountability in decision-making.

Disclosure of Interest:
No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has a declarable interest in this matter.

RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:
On 27 January 2026 Council resolved (Item No. CS275) to approve the sale of 4,037m^2 of land at the Geraldton Airport Technology Park, Lot 2 Avro Drive, Moonyoonooka to Tesla Geraldton Pty Ltd.

On 24 February 2026 Council resolved (Item No. CS284) to approve the sale of 31,829m^2 of land at the Geraldton Airport Technology Park, Lot 1 Deepdale

Road, Moonyoonooka to Thomas A Jakovich as trustee for the TTJ Family Trust TAJ Mechanical Pty Ltd.

COMMUNITY/COUNCIL MEMBER CONSULTATION:

No community or Council Member consultation has been undertaken as the disposal qualifies as an exempt disposition.

LEGISLATIVE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

In accordance with Section 3.58 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, a local government may dispose of property by various methods including private treaty.

In accordance with Regulation 30(2)(c) of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996*, the disposal to DevelopmentWA qualifies as an exempt disposition, as DevelopmentWA is an instrumentality of the Crown.

Accordingly, the disposal qualifies as an exempt disposition; therefore, public notice is not required however, Council approval remains necessary.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

The proposed sale price is $385,000 (inclusive of GST) which is supported by independent valuations between $380,000 and $390,000.

There are no ongoing financial or resourcing liabilities following disposal.

INTEGRATED PLANNING LINKS:

Strategic Theme: Leading	**A progressive City where informed decisions, strong advocacy and an enabling culture drives sustainable regional growth.**
Goal 2	Efficiently and effectively deliver community services and projects, through optimal use of our resources.
Goal 6	Ensure high quality governance activities enabling transparency and accountability.

REGIONAL OUTCOMES:

The proposal supports positive regional outcomes through facilitating a land acquisition by a State Government agency.

Disposal of the land supports the broader Oakajee project, which is intended to deliver long-term economic and industrial development outcomes for the Midwest region through coordinated land use, infrastructure planning and investment attraction within the Oakajee Strategic Industrial Area buffer.

RISK MANAGEMENT:

The proposed disposal presents a low level of risk to the City and reduces exposure associated with retaining a legacy, non-operational quarry site, including potential environmental liability, site safety, unauthorised access and ongoing compliance obligations. The land provides no current or future service delivery, operational or strategic benefit and disposal reduces financial, legal and operational risk while aligning with sound asset management and governance principles.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY CITY OFFICERS:
City Officers considered not proceeding with the disposal, which would retain the asset but deliver no immediate financial or strategic benefit and forgo the opportunity to transact at independently assessed market value. An alternative disposal process was not considered as this transaction qualifies as an exempt disposition under the relevant regulations. As such, neither option is recommended.

COUNCIL DECISION
MOVED CR COLLIVER, SECONDED CR KEEMINK
That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 3.58 of the *Local Government Act 1995* RESOLVES to:

1. **APPROVE the disposal of Lot 9 on Deposited Plan 25415 (Certificate of Title Volume 2217 Folio 828) to the Western Australian Land Authority trading as DevelopmentWA, by way of exempt disposition as per Regulation 30(2)(c) of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996 (WA)*;**
2. **AGREE to the Sale Price offered in Attachment No. DS099B - Confidential - Letter of Offer and Contract of Sale of Land by Offer and Acceptance, including Annexure A;**
3. **AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute a binding Contract for Sale of Land by Offer and Acceptance; and**
4. **MAKE this report public following settlement of the property.**

CARRIED 9/0
30/06/2026 6:35:38 PM
Summary of results:

ITEM	COUNT
Yes	9
No	0
TOTAL VOTES	9

Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes
Cr Fiorenza	Yes
Cr Giudice	Yes
Cr Keemink	Yes
Cr Milnes	Yes
Cr Parker	Yes
Cr Van Styn	Yes

Item No. DS099 was confidential as it contained information relating to a contract entered into, or may be entered into by the local government and legal advice obtained, or which may be obtained, by the local government and which

relates to a matter to be discussed at the meeting, as per section 5.23(4) of the Local Government Act 1995 and section 5.2(1) of Meeting Procedures Local Law 2011. Following settlement of the property on 14 October 2026, this report is now publicly available, in accordance with Council Decision Point 4. The attachments remain confidential.

PROCEDURAL MOTION
MOVED MAYOR CLUNE, SECONDED CR COLLIVER
That Council by Simple Majority RESOLVES to MOVE from behind closed doors.

CARRIED 9/0
30/06/2026 6:36:16 PM
Summary of results:

ITEM	COUNT
Yes	9
No	0
TOTAL VOTES	9

Individual votes:

NAME	RESULT
Mayor Clune	Yes
Cr Colliver	Yes
Cr Denton	Yes
Cr Fiorenza	Yes
Cr Giudice	Yes
Cr Keemink	Yes
Cr Milnes	Yes
Cr Parker	Yes
Cr Van Styn	Yes

The meeting was reopened to the public at 6.36pm and livestreaming recommenced.

17 CLOSURE

There being no further business the Presiding Member closed the Council meeting at 6.36pm.

APPENDIX 1 – ATTACHMENTS AND REPORTS TO BE RECEIVED

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