



## SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

### AGENDA

29 JANUARY 2013

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**CITY OF GREATER GERALDTON**  
**SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL**  
**TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, 29 JANUARY 2013 AT 5.30PM**  
**CHAMBERS, CATHEDRAL AVENUE**

**A G E N D A**

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**1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

**2 DECLARATION OF OPENING**

**3 ATTENDANCE**

Present:

Officers:

Others:

Members of Public:

Members of Press:

Apologies:

Leave of Absence:

**4 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**5 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

*Questions provided in writing prior to the meeting or at the meeting will receive a formal response.*

**Mr Brian Taylor, PO Box 7129, Geraldton WA6530**Question

I refer to the response to my original question regarding the provision of diagonal parking in the Post Office car park.

The response given regarding July consultation is not true as consultation was requested to be completed by 24th May, 2013. Regarding reporting to council, Neil Arbuthnot should have been aware that Council endorsement was not required before commencing this exercise if he was doing his job correctly. In fact if we take off the month in June (consultation period) and take off the fact that he did not have to go to Council then not only should the work have been done before the end of October but even sooner. I ask Neil Arbuthnot to provide a date by which this work will be completed.

Response

The consultation period officially closed on 28 May 2012. The City is committed to undertaking community consultation on projects and this would have been carried out regardless of whether Council reporting was required or not.

At the time, October 2012 was nominated as the earliest realistic time that works could be undertaken. Whilst the work is minor in nature, it requires City resources to carry out the procurement of services and manage delivery.

These resources were not available at the time due to commitments for other projects.

The project was subsequently reprioritised, which is not uncommon in works programming, to avoid the pre and post-Christmas peak shopping period.

At the time of writing, the work is scheduled to be undertaken on Sunday 20 January 2013. Adjacent businesses have been notified accordingly.

Question

Regarding my question regarding Boyd Street signage - I have it in writing from Main Roads that City of Greater Geraldton is responsible for all signage within the City and not Main Roads. Main Roads may, at the request of the City of Greater Geraldton, perform the task of sign erection. Main Roads also advise that it was City of Greater Geraldton that erected the "wrong" sign in Boyd Street and not them. When is this debacle going to end and the correct signage be completed? Did Neil Arbuthnot meet with Main Roads at the request of Councillor Neil McIlwaine at the last Council meeting and what was the outcome of these discussions?

### Response

Both the City of Greater Geraldton (CGG) and Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) erect road signage within the City's boundary. The City has delegation to approve and erect most standard signage, including "warning" and "guide" series.

The City does not have delegated authority to change speed limits or determine speed limit sign locations. The City cannot approve or erect any regulatory signage (e.g. Speed limit, Stop, Give Way) without MRWA approval, with the exception of regulatory parking signs, which are subject to Council approval under the local law.

The City is therefore not responsible for all signage within the City and MRWA have advised the City that they are not aware of their office issuing the specific advice to which you refer. Further, MRWA confirm they installed the "Reminder 50 km/hr" signs in Boyd Street, not the City.

Despite not requiring the City's approval, MRWA, as a courtesy, consulted the City prior to the "Reminder 50 km/hr" signs being erected and the City supported the initiative.

The Director of Community Infrastructure did not personally meet with MRWA, however senior staff met with MRWA on behalf of the Director. The meeting took place on the 3 January 2013, subsequent to the Council meeting, to discuss the matter and a summary of the discussion follows:

- MRWA attended court over this matter.
- Anderson Street is 60km/hr, Boyd Street (east of Anderson) is 50km/hr.
- MRWA assessment found Boyd Street to be classified as "Built up" supporting the 50km/hr general speed limit.
- In December 2001, the general speed limit in Boyd Street was reduced from 60 km/hr to 50km/hr.
- In 2001, the City was required to nominate roads to retain the 60km/hr limit. Boyd Street was not nominated.
- The City can install warning series signage, not regulatory.
- Both MRWA and the City erect certain types of road signage (as previously outlined) within the City's boundaries.

The City has addressed the issue as requested. The City concurs with the MRWA assessment that Boyd Street is classified as "Built-up" and will not be applying to MRWA to consider changing the speed limit to 60km/hr nor to erect any speed limit signage.

If an urban road has no speed limit signage installed, the default speed limit of 50km/hr applies.

### Question

This matter will not go away until it is dealt with in a proper and professional manner by all concerned including City of Greater Geraldton and Main Roads who need to get their act together and erect the correct signage. On 20<sup>th</sup>

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September, 2012 a sign was erected at both ends of Boyd Street – “Remember 50 in a built up area” which has the adverse effect of encouraging motorists to speed seeing 404 metres of bush in 594 metres of street straight into a speed trap.

I would also like to bring to everyone’s attention to the attached Main Road’s document “Application and Approval Guidelines – Speed Zoning – Superseded. This guideline as you can see was revised and approved on 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2007. Item 3.1.3.3 Speed Environment Roadside Development clearly identifies

### **PARTIALLY BUILT-UP.**

Description – Residential, business or industrial development ranging from 25% to 90% of the road frontage on both sides of the road. This is typical of the fringes to major urban centres and rural town sites. (describes Boyd Street perfectly)

Speed Limit – The appropriate speed limit is 80 km/h but 60 or 70 km/h may be appropriate if there is extensive vehicular or pedestrian activity on the road.

Boyd Street clearly fits this description (see map attached) and in fact, due to lack of pavements and street lighting, does not have any pedestrian activity.

### **Response**

This matter has been dealt with by Main Roads WA and the City of Greater Geraldton in a proper and professional manner. Taking into account the Provision of Road Traffic Code 2000 which overrides the Main Roads WA Guidelines (Application and Approval Guidelines Speed Zoning – Superseded approved on 27 September 2007 and has since been updated in 2010 with substantially the same content) referred to by Mr Taylor. The Road Traffic Code 2000 states that:

*Built up area means the territory contiguous to and including any road -  
(a).....; or  
(b) which is built up with structures devoted to business, industry or dwelling houses at intervals of less than 100m for a distance of on half kilometre or more.*

Main Roads WA have assessed Boyd Street as being in a built up area based on the above definition. There are 10 properties having access to Boyd Street with significantly more direct access points to the properties from Boyd Street. Boyd Street, as set out in My Taylor’s numerous correspondence to the City on this matter is 594m in length based on this and this alone, the definition part b for built up areas for the Road Traffic Code 2000 is applicable.

It is reiterated that the Road Traffic Code 2000 overrides any guidelines, which are simply a guide without any statutory backing. It is also noted that

Boyd Street is a bus route and complaints have been received by Main Roads WA from the bus driver concerning speeding vehicles.

Main Roads WA contacted the City and requested that a traffic counter be placed on Boyd Street to measure the traffic volumes and speeds during the Christmas break before school starts and will remain in place until after the start of the 2013 school year.

It is the City's opinion based on the evidence before it that the 50km/h speed limit for Boyd Street is appropriate given all the circumstances.

*A formal response has been sent to Mr Taylor.*

## **6 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

### **Existing Approved Leave**

<b>Councillor</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>To (inclusive)</b>
Cr S Van Styn	30 January 2013	10 March 2013

## **7 PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS OR PRESENTATIONS**

## **8 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

## 9 SIGNIFICANT STRATEGIC MATTERS

OP0022 ADOPTION OF STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN	
<b>AGENDA REFERENCE:</b>	<b>D-13-02143</b>
<b>AUTHOR:</b>	<b>C Wood, Director of Operational Performance</b>
<b>EXECUTIVE:</b>	<b>C Wood, Director of Operational Performance</b>
<b>DATE OF REPORT:</b>	<b>January 2013</b>
<b>FILE REFERENCE:</b>	<b>GO/13/0001</b>
<b>APPLICANT / PROPONENT:</b>	<b>City of Greater Geraldton</b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	<b>Yes</b>

### **SUMMARY:**

The purpose of this item is to present the City's Strategic Community Plan for Council's consideration. This plan was adopted in principle by Council at its October 2012 meeting and public comment has been sought.

### **PROPONENT:**

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton.

### **BACKGROUND:**

Amendments to the Local Government Act have resulted in local governments having to develop and implement integrated strategic long term plans.

In October 2011, Council adopted an interim strategic community plan in accordance with the Department of Local Government's integrated strategic planning transitional arrangements (s. 5.56 of the Local Government Act, regulation 19DB).

Since then, the Department has released the Integrated Planning and Reporting Advisory Standard which provides new criteria for local government strategic community plans, corporate business plans, key informing strategies and Annual Reports. Under the advisory standard, Local Governments are required to have a strategic community plan and corporate business plan adopted by Council by 30 June 2013.

Once this plan has been approved and adopted by Council it will allow the City to commence development of its corporate business plan. Together, these two documents will form the City of Greater Geraldton's Plan For the Future.

### **COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:**

Extensive community consultation was undertaken as part of the 2029 and Beyond project. This document is based on the project's two years of deliberative consultation and reflects the vision, goals and aspirations of the community.



The City sought public comment on its draft Strategic Community Plan in November/December 2012. No comments were received. Two information sessions were held - one in November and one in December 2012.

**COUNCILLOR CONSULTATION:**

Councillors attended a strategic planning workshop on 20 September during which the content of the document was developed.

Council provided in principle adoption of the draft strategic community plan at a Special Meeting of Council held in January 2013.

**STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS:**

Section 5.56 of the Local Government Act 195 - Planning for the future.

Part 5, Division 3, 19C of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 – Strategic community plans, requirements for (Act s. 5.56).

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

The strategic community plan has been developed in accordance with Council Policy 005 – Integrated Strategic Planning Framework.

**FINANCIAL AND BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:**

The cost of this project is included in the current budget.

**STRATEGIC & REGIONAL OUTCOMES:**

**Strategic Community Plan Outcomes:**

- |                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| Goal 5:         | Leading the Opportunities.  |
| Outcome 5.1:    | Leadership and Good Governance.                                       |
| Strategy 5.1.3: | Implement business, governance, legislative and compliance frameworks |

**Regional Outcomes:**

The strategic community plan will enable the City to provide relevant and realistic community benefits to the region.

**ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, ENVIRONMENTAL & CULTURAL ISSUES:**

**Economic:**

The implementation of the strategic community plan will have positive effects on the regional economy by supporting key initiatives that promote Greater Geraldton.

**Social:**

Through this plan, the City aims to set long term initiatives to support the sustainable growth and development of the community.

**Environmental:**

The strategic community plan incorporates the City's environmental sustainability practises and the implementation of local environmental sustainability projects.

**Cultural & Heritage:**

The plan acknowledges the area's cultural diversity and aims to protect its historical significance.

**RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:**

There are no relevant precedents.

**DELEGATED AUTHORITY:**

There is no delegated authority.

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS:**

Absolute majority is required.

**OPTIONS:****Option 1:**

As per Executive Recommendation in this report.

**Option 2:**

That Council by Absolute Majority pursuant to Section 5.56 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. RECOMMENCE the planning process and develop a new Strategic Community Plan;
2. MAKES the determination based on the following reason:
  - a. To be determined

**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council by Absolute Majority pursuant to Section 5.56 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES TO:

1. ADOPT the City of Greater Geraldton Strategic Community Plan;  
and;
2. AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer to give public notice of the adoption of the Plan.

## 10 AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT

OP0021	2011/2012 ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE CITY OF GREATER GERALDTON
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<b>AGENDA REFERENCE:</b>	<b>D-12-69419</b>
<b>AUTHOR:</b>	<b>C Wood, Director of Organisational Performance</b>
<b>EXECUTIVE:</b>	<b>C Wood, Director of Organisational Performance</b>
<b>DATE OF REPORT:</b>	<b>12 December 2012</b>
<b>FILE REFERENCE:</b>	<b>FM/3/0003</b>
<b>APPLICANT / PROPONENT:</b>	<b>City of Greater Geraldton</b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	<b>Yes</b>

### SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's adoption of the 2011/2012 Annual Report for the City of Greater Geraldton.

### PROponent:

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton.

### BACKGROUND:

The 2011/2012 Annual Report (attached) has been prepared in accordance with Section 5.53 of the Local Government Act and includes the audited Annual Financial Report.

The Annual Report highlights the City of Greater Geraldton's achievements in 2011/12 and notes the major projects which will be undertaken in 2012/13 in accordance with the Plan for the Future.

The Audit Committee has reviewed the Annual Financial Report and Audit Report and has discussed any issues regarding the audit of the finances with the Auditors and is satisfied that all issues have been finalised.

### COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:

Once the Annual Report has been adopted by Council, the CEO will give local public notice of its availability to the public and will call an annual electors meeting to be held on 18 February 2013.

### COUNCILLOR CONSULTATION:

The Audit Committee has reviewed and recommended the adoption of the Annual Financial Report at its meeting held on 18 December 2012.

### STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS:

Section 5.53 of the Local Government Act requires the preparation of an annual report and details what has to be contained within.

Section 5.54 requires that the Annual Report for a financial year be accepted no later than 31 December after that financial year or within 2 months of receiving the auditor's report. Council is required to hold an Annual Electors Meeting within 56 days of acceptance of the Annual Report. Pending adoption of the Annual Report, the Annual Electors meeting will be scheduled for 18 February 2013.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no policy implications.

**FINANCIAL AND BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no financial or budget implications.

**STRATEGIC & REGIONAL OUTCOMES:****Strategic Community Plan Outcomes:**

- |                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| Goal 5:         | Leading the Opportunities                   |
| Outcome 5.4:    | Efficient and Effective Business Systems    |
| Strategy 5.4.1: | Implement integrated planning and reporting |

**Regional Outcomes:**

There are no regional outcomes.

**ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, ENVIRONMENTAL & CULTURAL ISSUES:****Economic:**

There are no economic issues.

**Social:**

There are no social issues.

**Environmental:**

There are no environmental issues.

**Cultural & Heritage:**

There are no cultural or heritage issues.

**RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:**

The acceptance of the annual report is a standard statutory requirement.

**DELEGATED AUTHORITY:**

There is no delegated authority.

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS:**

Absolute Majority is required.

**OPTIONS:****Option 1:**

As per Executive Recommendation in this report.

**Option 2:**

That Council by Simple Majority by virtue of Section 5.20 of the Local Government Act 1995:

1. NOT ADOPT the Annual Report for the period ending 30 June 2012 for the City of Greater Geraldton;
2. NOT REQUEST the CEO to arrange an annual electors meeting for 18 February 2013 as per section 5.27(2) of the Act; and
3. MAKES the determination based on the following reason:
  - a. To be determined by Council

**Option 3:**

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

1. DEFER the acceptance of the Annual Report for the City of Greater Geraldton pending further review; and
2. MAKES the determination based on the following reason:
  - a. To be determined by Council.

**CONCLUSION:**

The Annual Report for 2011/12 has been completed and includes the Annual Financial Report for that year.

**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council by Absolute Majority by virtue of Section 5.54 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. ADOPT the Annual Report for the financial period ending 30 June 2012 for the City of Greater Geraldton; and
2. REQUEST the CEO to arrange an Annual Electors Meeting for 18 February 2013 as per section 5.27(2) of the Act.

## 11 STRATEGIC & POLICY MATTERS

OP0023 CP055 - GERALDTON CITY CENTRE VIBRANCY POLICY & STRATEGY
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<b>AGENDA REFERENCE:</b>	<b>D-13-02173</b>
<b>AUTHOR:</b>	<b>K Godfrey, Manager Economics Development and Innovation</b>
<b>EXECUTIVE:</b>	<b>A Brun, Chief Executive Officer</b>
<b>DATE OF REPORT:</b>	<b>17 January 2013</b>
<b>FILE REFERENCE:</b>	<b>ED/5/0008</b>
<b>APPLICANT / PROPONENT:</b>	<b>City of Greater Geraldton</b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	<b>Yes</b>

### SUMMARY:

The City has received a draft Geraldton City Centre Vibrancy Strategy from the appointed consultants. Essentially the Strategy is intended to provide a strategic focus and a framework for the City and other relevant organisations to commence the physical delivery of key initiatives that build on and further catalyse change within the city centre.

This report recommends the adoption of the Policy and Strategy as a draft for the purpose of public advertising.

### PROPONENT:

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton.

### BACKGROUND:

The Council considered the matter at its meeting of the 18 December 2012. Council made the following deferral resolution

#### *MOTION*

*MOVED CR THOMAS, SECONDED CR MCILWAINE*

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

1. *DEFER to adopt the 'Geraldton City Centre Vibrancy Strategy' and the 'Geraldton CP055 City Centre Vibrancy Policy'; and*
2. *MAKES the determination on the following grounds that:*
  - a. *Seeks information on who and how the 1% of rate revenue be spent and take back to the Concept Forum to discuss further.*

*CARRIED 11/4*

Subsequent to the meeting and following receipt of additional information, several Councillors indicated an interest in reconsidering the matter at the Special Meeting of Council.

In recent years the City of Greater Geraldton (CGG) has invested substantial time and resources in commissioning consultant studies that examine the key issues that influence city vibrancy, such as tourism development, strategic and community planning, deregulation of shopping hours and various urban

design and planning reports. Relevant findings of these studies have been distilled into this City Centre Vibrancy Strategy.

The Strategy focuses solely on increasing vibrancy of Geraldton's City Centre. It is intended to provide a strategic focus for the work previously completed and a framework for CGG and other relevant organisations to commence the physical delivery of key initiatives that build on and further catalyse change within the City Centre.

In developing this Strategy, CGG together with the appointed project consultant, Place Match completed a literature review of relevant studies and strategies, conducted site tours of the study area and met with key stakeholders, Councillors and community influencers to gain further insight into opportunities and barriers for implementation of vibrancy initiatives. Details of this City Centre Vibrancy Strategy as well as feedback gathered from respective stakeholders and community influencers are attached as per Appendix I & II included herewith.

Council, at its December meeting, resolved to defer the adoption of this item in order to receive further information on how the 1% of rate revenue will be spent. An information session was held on 22 January 2012 which provided information to councillors.

**COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:**

CGG and its consultants had conducted a Stakeholder Engagement Workshop with a number of stakeholders together with Councillors, Executives and the management team of the City in January 2012 prior to commencing the Strategy.

On Friday 27 April 2012 the overall Vibrancy Strategy was presented to the same key stakeholders that participated in the January forum. The aim of the April meeting was to discuss the Strategy and seek feedback, suggestions and inputs. These were gathered and recorded as per the Appendix II included herewith.

**COUNCILLOR CONSULTATION:**

The Councillors were invited to attend an initial Stakeholder engagement Workshop in January 2012.

Councillors were also invited to a subsequent Stakeholder Engagement Workshop held on Friday, 27th April 2012 when the overall Vibrancy Strategy was presented. Previous copies of the Strategy have been provided to Councillors.

An additional information workshop was held on 22 January 2013.

**STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no statutory implications.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

The Strategy has a number of linkages with town planning in areas of land use, layout and planning and contains strategies such as:

- Focus planning and development efforts around key destinations, focal;
- points and attractions;
- Tailor uses and activities to key target audiences within the CBD;
- Optimise strategic sites;
- Leverage the planning framework; and
- Establish movement corridors.

**FINANCIAL AND BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:**

To support the Policy/Strategy outcomes, the City proposes an equivalent of 1% of rate revenue towards funding and implementing the recommendations and outcomes of the Strategy. This will be subject to annual budget consideration by Council, and availability of funds in compliance with Council's Financial Sustainability Policy.

It is also proposed that an Economic 'Incentives' Policy which will look at options such as 'rates holidays', lease discounts, subsidies or other measures which can be used by Council on an equal basis to encourage new developments on economic development (job creation) projects be developed.

Relevant actions and priorities will be considered for funding during the budget process. Inclusion in the policy does not assure or commit the funding.

**STRATEGIC & REGIONAL OUTCOMES:****Strategic Community Plan Outcomes:**

Goal 2:	Opportunities for Prosperity.
Outcome 2.2:	Greater Geraldton as a leading regional and rural destination.
Strategy 2.2.4:	Facilitate the Geraldton City Centre as the heart of the region.
Goal 5:	Leading the Opportunities.
Outcome 5.1:	Leadership and good governance.
Strategy 5.1.4:	Establish and enhance Greater Geraldton's regional, national and international profile.

**Regional Outcomes:**

This strategy sets out a roadmap for the City to become a thriving Regional City for the community to live and work as well as to attract more tourist arrivals by providing great variety of shopping, dining and entertainment



experiences. This initiative is also in line with the City's vision to 'transform Geraldton into a world class, regional city of over 100,000 residents over the next two decades whilst creating a liveable community and vibrant region.'

## **ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, ENVIRONMENTAL & CULTURAL ISSUES:**

### **Economic:**

There are positive economic outcomes to be derived with the implementation of the City Vibrancy Strategy. These outcomes include:

- Geraldton's strategic position in the mid-west is leveraged for businesses and as a destination of choice for investment in Western Australia;
- A strategic and consistent image of the city centre is promoted across all communications platforms locally, regionally and internationally; and
- The city centre becomes the 'heart' of Geraldton through a series of interconnected destinations and attractions that respond to end user needs thereby encouraging people and visitors to visit more often and tourist to stay longer.

### **Social:**

There is a possibility of significant social outcomes with the implementation of the City Vibrancy Strategy. These outcomes include:

- The city centre is to be a comfortable, safe, welcoming and accessible space for residents, workers and visitors;
- Improved activation, safety and community ownership of the city centre through passive surveillance; and
- People will enjoy a fun, fresh and interesting space enhanced through a variety of activities and events.

### **Environmental:**

The City Vibrancy Strategy focused strongly on improving overall amenity i.e. in creating pedestrian friendly, attractive and comfortable environments that people will be drawn to, as well as directing pedestrians via desired movement corridors and between key attractions. There will also be improved landscaping, flower pots, good shade, drinking fountains and water misters, along with comfortable / interesting seating will help to soften the environment and make the city centre particularly the foreshore and Marine Terrace an attractive retail alternative to the shopping centres.

### **Cultural & Heritage:**

As per the City of Greater Geraldton Culture, Arts and Heritage Business Plan, the City Vibrancy Strategy continues to encourage cultural activities in the public realm and make it easy and convenient for community groups and corporate organisations to manage events in the city centre.

### **RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:**

There are no relevant precedents.

### **DELEGATED AUTHORITY:**

There is no delegated authority.

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**VOTING REQUIREMENTS:**

Simple Majority required.

**OPTIONS:****Option 1:**

As per Executive Recommendation in this report.

**Option 2:**

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

1. NOT ADOPT to adopt the Geraldton City Centre Vibrancy Strategy and the Geraldton CP055 City Centre Vibrancy Policy; and
2. MAKES the determination on the following grounds that:
  - a. To be determined by Councillors.

**Option 3:**

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

1. DEFER to adopt the 'Geraldton City Centre Vibrancy Strategy' and the 'Geraldton CP055 City Centre Vibrancy Policy'; and
2. MAKES the determination on the following grounds that:
  - a. To be determined by Councillors.

**CONCLUSION:**

The City Vibrancy Policy and Strategy provides a framework for the City to raise the City Centre vibrancy level at the City of Greater Geraldton to a truly global – regional City and with a strong branding and image for further growth in the long run.

**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:**

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

1. ADOPT the 'Geraldton City Centre Vibrancy Strategy' and CP055 'Geraldton City Centre Vibrancy Policy' as a draft, with the intent to seek community and business feedback through advertising it for a period of 42 days and inviting submissions within this period;
  2. ADOPT for final approval the Policy and Strategy should no objections be received during the advertising period; and
  3. REQUIRE a further report to be presented to Council should there be any objections received during the advertising period.
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OP0025 DELEGATION TO CHINA AND STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP WITH LINFEN CITY, SHANXI PROVINCE, CHINA.
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<b>AGENDA REFERENCE:</b>	<b>D-13-05144</b>
<b>AUTHOR:</b>	<b>Han Jie Davis, Officer Economic Development &amp; Foreign Affairs</b>
<b>EXECUTIVE:</b>	<b>Cheryl Wood Director Organisational Performance</b>
<b>DATE OF REPORT:</b>	<b>19 January 2013</b>
<b>FILE REFERENCE:</b>	<b>ED/2/0003</b>
<b>PROPONENT:</b>	<b>Sister City Economic &amp; Cultural Development Advisory Committee</b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	<b>Yes x 1</b>

**SUMMARY:**

The purpose of this item is to seek Council's adoption of Linfen City as a Strategic Partner and to approve a delegation to China in March/April 2013.

**PROPONENT:**

The proponent is the Sister City Economic & Cultural Development Advisory Committee.

**BACKGROUND:**

In order to maintain and develop relationships with our partner cities in China, the Sister City Economic & Cultural Development Advisory Committee (hereafter called "the Sister City Committee") met on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2012 and resolved to recommend to Council firstly, the consideration of forming an economy focused Strategic Partnership with Linfen City in Shanxi Province in China and secondly, to approve a delegation visiting China in March/April 2013.

The Sister City Committee believes that a delegation to China for advanced dialogue is required to consolidate and further develop the relationship with China. The Committee has endorsed the attached dates and itinerary for travel (Attachment 1) and has requested that it be presented for Council approval and the determination of a Council delegate to be part of the delegation.

It is intended that the delegation consists of representatives of the City and external members including State Government and local industry groups. The actual delegation will be set according to the purpose of the visit.

Achievements to date

- In June 2010, the City signed a Letter of Intent enabling further exploration of the cooperation opportunities in Yueqing City (Zhejiang Province).
- During the visit to China by the City's delegation in March 2012, two Memoranda of Understanding were signed to establish relationships

with Zhanjiang City (Guangdong Province), and Lishui City (Zhejiang Province) in China.

- In July and August 2012, the City officially adopted Zhoushan City as a Strategic Partner City (Zhejiang Province) and Zhanjiang City as a Sister City.

#### The outcomes of existing relationships with China

- Geraldton Grammar has commenced teaching Mandarin in 2012;
- Two Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) from Yueqing and Haiyan are under consideration by the Geraldton Grammar School which will enable teachers/students/programme exchanges;
- Signing of MOU with Zhoushan City under the existing Sister State relationship between WA and Zhejiang Province created opportunities for the City to directly communicate with the Chinese Consul General in Perth, Australia China Business Council (ACBC) and Western Australia ACBC.
- Geraldton Fisherman's Co-op is now directly communicating with Madam Wang, to potentially solve their logistic issues with China Southern Airlines that they have been having for 5 years.
- Geraldton has been singled out by Duncan Calder, Vice President of ACBC and President of ACBC in Western Australia, to be the Centre of Excellence for Mandarin teaching for school and community. He has also held up the City of Greater Geraldton's International Relationships model as one which leads the way across Australia and a model that other Local Governments should adopt in pursuing positive relationships with China.
- The proposed Sister City relationship with Zhanjiang in particular, has opened the door for Durack Technology Institute to extend their potential exchanges with China;
- Invited by Lishui City Government, a Geraldton local photographer attended the 14<sup>th</sup> International Photography Competition & Cultural Festival held in Lishui City in 2011. In 2013, Lishui City Government is engaging the City to participate in a photo exhibition that includes other cities in the world that have existing relationships with Lishui; and
- The City's process for dealing with China is applauded by the Department of State Development (DSD), the Chinese Consul General and some of the mining companies.

Linfen City Strategic Partnership

With the rapid growth of the international profile of Geraldton and the Midwest Region, more Chinese cities, such as Linfen City (Shanxi Province), have expressed their strong interest in forming a partnership with the City.

Only preliminary assessment of Linfen against the Sister City selection criteria has been undertaken at this stage, but taking into account of potential major investors that this relationship could bring to Geraldton and the Mid West Region, the Sister City Committee has recommended establishing an economic focused Strategic Partnership with Linfen.

The Mayor of Linfen City is expected to lead a delegation to visit Geraldton in April 2013 in order to identify cooperation, investment opportunities and to potentially sign a Memorandum of Understanding to form an economic focused Strategic Partnership with City of Greater Geraldton.

**COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:**

There has been no consultation with the community on this matter.

**COUNCILLOR CONSULTATION:**

Cr Chris Gabelish is the Chairman of the Sister City Committee and Cr Ron Ashplant is the Deputy Chairman of the Sister City Committee.

**STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no statutory implications.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

The relevant Council policy for this item is the current Policy for Establishing Sister City Relationships.

**FINANCIAL AND BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:**

\$30,000 has been allocated in the 2012/2013 budget to progress with relationships within China. The current balance of this budget item is \$20,000.

The cost of the trip is estimated at \$4,000 per delegate. Local business and community stakeholders joining the delegation would be required to fund their own expenses.

**STRATEGIC & REGIONAL OUTCOMES:****Strategic Community Plan Outcomes:**

Goal 2:	Opportunities for Prosperity.
Outcome 2.1:	A diverse sustainable, economic and employment base.
Strategy 2.1.1:	Support industry and business attraction activities and marketing nationally and internationally.
Outcome 2.2:	Greater Geraldton as a leading regional and rural destination.

- Strategy 2.2.1: Attract, facilitate and promote regional, national and internationally significant events.
- Strategy 2.2.2: Promote tourism and investment opportunities including cultural tourism
- Outcome 2.3: Greater Geraldton as a major regional centre
- Strategy 2.3.3: Increase the national and international profile of Greater Geraldton through partnerships with Government, industry and international municipalities.

**Regional Outcomes:**

As the region's commercial, administrative and cultural hub, Geraldton plays a pivotal role in creating and adding value to a sustainable local economy. Identifying strategic partners through International alliances will ultimately lead to investment opportunities and partnerships throughout the Mid West in areas like tourism, mining, technology, manufacturing and science.

**ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, ENVIRONMENTAL & CULTURAL ISSUES:****Economic:**

Dialogue and development of formal relationships between the City of Greater Geraldton and international cities in China will enable economic development initiatives to be explored which may provide benefits to business, government and the local economy and community.

**Social:**

Relationships with cities in China will support international education, research and cooperation.

**Environmental:**

There are no environmental issues associated with this item.

**Culture & Heritage:**

Development of relationships between the City of Greater Geraldton and cities in China present opportunities for exchange between cultures, through cultural institutions, universities, colleges, museums, heritage, community arts, libraries and sports.

**RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:**

Council has previously supported strategic partnerships with cities in China and delegations to China.

**DELEGATED AUTHORITY:**

There is no delegated authority.

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**VOTING REQUIREMENTS:**

Simple majority is required.

**OPTIONS:****Part A – Delegation to China in March/April 2013.****Option 1:**

As per the Executive Recommendation in this report

**Option 2:**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 3.1 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. DEFER the delegation to China; and
2. MAKES the determination based on the following reason:
  - a. To be determined by Council.

**Option 3:**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 3.1 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. DECLINE to progress with the delegation to China; and
2. MAKES the determination based on the following reason:
  - a. To be determined by Council.

**Part B – Economic Strategic Partnership with Linfen City, Shanxi Province China****Option 1:**

As per the Executive Recommendation in this report

**Option 2:**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 3.1 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. DEFER the adoption of Linfen as a Strategic Partner of the City of Greater Geraldton; and
2. MAKES the determination based on the following reason:
  - a. To be determined by Council.

**Option 3:**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 3.1 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. DECLINE to form the Strategic Partnership with Linfen City; and
2. MAKES the determination based on the following reason:
  - a. To be determined by Council

**CONCLUSION:**

Visiting foreign cities in the development of relationships is a major aspect in ongoing cooperation and interaction. Specifically within China, development of governmental relationships is the gateway to network with Chinese counterparts for foreign business and investment.

Forming the Strategic Partnership which was proposed by Linfen City will potentially provide great opportunities for major enterprises and business in Linfen to invest in Geraldton and the Mid West Region.

**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:****Part A – Delegation to China in March/April 2013**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 3.1 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. APPROVE a delegation to China in March/April 2013 which will include the Mayor, the Chief Executive Officer, a Council delegate and the Sister City Liaison Officer;
2. ENDORSE the itinerary as per Attachment 1; and
3. APPOINT Councillor \_\_\_\_\_ as the Council representative for the delegation.

**Part B – Economic Strategic Partnership with Linfen City, Shanxi Province, China.**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 3.1 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. ENDORSE the formation of an economic focused Strategic Partnership with Linfen City, Shanxi Province, China;
2. APPROVE the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding with Linfen City by the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer; and
3. PRESENT the Memorandum of Understanding to the Mayor of Linfen on the occasion of his visit in April 2013.



## 12 OPERATIONAL MATTERS

SC080	NOMINATIONS FOR MID WEST JOINT DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT PANEL MEMBERSHIP
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<b>AGENDA REFERENCE:</b>	<b>D-13-03531</b>
<b>AUTHOR:</b>	<b>M Connell, Acting Director Sustainable Communities</b>
<b>EXECUTIVE:</b>	<b>M Connell, Acting Director Sustainable Communities</b>
<b>DATE OF REPORT:</b>	<b>16 January 2013</b>
<b>FILE REFERENCE:</b>	<b>LP/9/0017</b>
<b>APPLICANT / PROPONENT:</b>	<b>Development Assessment Panels</b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	<b>No</b>

### SUMMARY:

The current appointment of all local government Development Assessment Panel members is due to expire on 26 April 2013. This report seeks nominations for membership to the Mid West Joint Development Assessment Panel (JDAP) for up to a 2 year term, expiring on 26 April 2015.

### PROponent:

The proponent is the Development Assessment Panels who report directly to the Minister for Planning.

### BACKGROUND:

On 1 July 2011, 15 Development Assessment Panels (DAP) came into operation in order to determine development applications that meet a certain threshold value.

In the case of the City of Greater Geraldton for development applications with an estimated cost of \$7 million or more, it is mandatory that they are determined by a DAP. For applications \$3 million or more and less than \$7 million, the applicant has the option of having the application determined by a DAP or the local government.

Each DAP comprises 5 members; 3 specialist members, one of which is the presiding member, and 2 local government members. Appointments of all local government DAP members expire on 26 April 2013. Members whose term has expired will be eligible for re-consideration at this time.

Council is requested to nominate 4 elected members (comprising 2 local members and 2 alternate local members) to sit on the JDAP as required.

Nominations are required to be received no later than Friday 15 February, 2013. Following receipt of all local government nominations, the Minister for Planning will consider and appoint all nominees for up to a 2 year term, expiring on 26 April 2015.

All appointed local members will be placed on the local government member register and advised of DAP training dates and times. It is a mandatory

requirement, pursuant to the DAP regulations, that all DAP members attend training before they can sit on a DAP and determine applications. Local government representatives who have previously been appointed to a DAP and have received training are not required to attend further training,

Local government elections may result in a change to local DAP membership if current councillors, who are DAP members, are not re-elected. In this instance, the deputy local DAP members will take the place of the former local DAP members. If both local and alternate (deputy) local members are not re-elected, the local government will need to re-nominate for the Minister's consideration of appointment.

Council should consider the above matters in selecting nominees as JDAP members.

**COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:**

There has been no community consultation.

**COUNCILLOR CONSULTATION:**

There has been no Councillor consultation.

**STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS:**

Part 11A of the Planning and Development Act (2005) introduces Development Assessment Panels into the Act and this is supported by the Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011.

Under Regulation 26 of the Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011, Council is requested to nominate 4 elected members, comprising 2 local members and 2 alternate local members, to sit on the JDAP as required.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no policy implications.

**FINANCIAL AND BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no financial and budget implications other than staff time required in processing applications.

**STRATEGIC & REGIONAL OUTCOMES:**

**Strategic Community Plan Outcomes:**

Goal 4: Opportunities for Sustainability.

Outcome 4.1: Vibrant and sustainable urban and rural development.

Strategy 4.1.4: Develop, apply and regulate effective planning schemes, building regulations and policies.

**Regional Outcomes:**

There are no regional outcomes.

**ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, ENVIRONMENTAL & CULTURAL ISSUES:****Economic:**

There are no economic issues.

**Social:**

There are no social issues.

**Environmental:**

There are no environmental issues.

**Cultural & Heritage:**

There are no cultural & heritage issues.

**RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:**

Council at its meeting held on 22 November 2011 nominated Mayor I Carpenter and Councillor N McIlwaine as the City's local government representatives on the Joint Midwest Development Assessment Panel, and also nominated Councillor R Ramage and Councillor N Messina as alternate local government representatives.

**DELEGATED AUTHORITY:**

There is no delegated authority.

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS:**

Simple Majority required.

**OPTIONS:****Option 1:**

As per Executive Recommendation in this report.

**Option 2:**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Regulation 26 of the Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011, RESOLVES to:

1. DECLINE to nominate any Councillor representatives to the Joint Midwest Development Assessment Panel; and
2. MAKES the determination based on the following reason:
  - a. To be determined by Council.

**Option 3:**

That Council by Simple Majority, pursuant to Section 3.18 of the Local Government Act 1995, RESOLVES to:

1. DEFER nominating any Councillor representatives to the Joint Mid West Development Assessment Panel; and
2. MAKES the determination based on the following reasons:
  - a. To be determined by Council.

**CONCLUSION:**

The City is required, under Regulation 26 of the Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011, to nominate elected members to sit on the JDAP as required.

If Council fails to nominate any elected members the Minister for Planning can appoint any representative of the local government who is an eligible voter and the Minister considers has relevant knowledge or experience. This would further remove any decision making power from the Council and therefore Option 2 is not supported.

Option 3 is not supported as nominations are required to be received no later than Friday 15 February, 2013.

**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council by Simple Majority, pursuant to Regulation 26 of the Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011, RESOLVES to:

1. ADVISE Minister for Planning that it nominates:
  - a. Mayor Ian Carpenter and
  - b. Councillor \_\_\_\_\_ as the City of Greater Geraldton local government representatives on the Joint Mid West Development Assessment Panel; and
2. ADVISE Minister for Planning that it nominates:
  - a. Councillor \_\_\_\_\_ and
  - b. Councillor \_\_\_\_\_ as the City of Greater Geraldton alternate local government representatives on the Joint Mid West Development Assessment Panel.

CI034	RFT16 1213 – MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS OF THE CITY'S LIGHTS INCLUDING STREET LIGHTS, PARKS & CAR PARKS
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<b>AGENDA REFERENCE:</b>	<b>D-13-03379</b>
<b>AUTHOR:</b>	<b>S Carroll, Manager Fleet &amp; Support</b>
<b>EXECUTIVE:</b>	<b>N Arbuthnot, Director Community Infrastructure</b>
<b>DATE OF REPORT:</b>	<b>14 December 2012</b>
<b>FILE REFERENCE:</b>	<b>RO/6/0003</b>
<b>APPLICANT / PROPONENT:</b>	<b>City of Greater Geraldton</b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	<b>Yes - Confidential</b>

**SUMMARY:**

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval to establish a panel of three (3) electrical contractors from recent submissions to RFT16 1213. The panel will be in place from February 1 2013 to 31 January 2015.

**PROPONENT:**

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton.

**BACKGROUND:**

A tender related to the maintenance and repairs of the City's lights including street lights, parks and car parks was advertised locally in the Geraldton Guardian on 21 September 2012 and in the West Australian on 22 September 2012. The services include but are not limited to the maintenance and repairs of the City's street lights, lights in parks and reserves and City car parks. The closing date for tender was 4pm Monday 22 October 2012.

Six tenders were received from the following:

1. GG Pumps & Electrical Pty Ltd
2. GCo Electrical
3. Midwest Electrical Service Pty Ltd
4. Oracle Energy Pty Ltd
5. S & K Electrical Contracting Pty Ltd
6. Elite Electrical Contracting Pty Ltd

Previously the City has resolved to adopt a two year supply period for tenders for the supply and delivery of a variety of goods and services. The maintenance and repairs of City lights is an integral service for the safety and wellbeing of the community and continuity of such a service is essential.

**COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:**

There has been no community consultation.

**COUNCILLOR CONSULTATION:**

There has been no councillor consultation.

**STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS:**

Tenders were called in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995 and with Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

The City of Greater Geraldton has adopted a purchasing policy which refers to the purchase of all levels of goods and services through either quotations or tenders.

The policy provides compliance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1995 and the Local Government Act (Functions and General Regulations 1996). Additional to the policy, procedures have been developed for both purchasing through quotations and tenders to guide staff when purchasing goods and services for the City of Greater Geraldton.

**FINANCIAL AND BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:**

Prices tendered are recorded and utilised for future project pricing. The table in the Confidential Attachment indicates comparative prices of all materials and products.

Budget allocation as a materials supply and delivery which is within the annual construction and maintenance budget provisions.

**STRATEGIC & REGIONAL OUTCOMES:****Strategic Community Plan Outcomes:**

Goal 4	Opportunity for Sustainability
Outcome 4.2	Improved Transport and Accessibility
Strategy : 4.2.2	Improve our network of urban, rural and regional roads, cycle ways, trails and paths

**Regional Outcomes:**

There are no regional outcomes.

**ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, ENVIRONMENTAL & CULTURAL ISSUES:****Economic:**

There are no economic issues associated with this item.

**Social:**

There are no social issues associated with this item.

**Environmental:**

There are no environmental issues associated with this item.

**Cultural & Heritage:**

There are no cultural or heritage issues associated with this item.

**RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:**

Two yearly supply tenders have been used since pre-amalgamation between the former City of Geraldton, the former Shire of Greenough, the former Shire of Mullewa and has a proven successful method of obtaining goods and services from quality suppliers at known costs.

**DELEGATED AUTHORITY:**

There is no delegated authority.

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS:**

A simple majority is required.

**OPTIONS:****Option 1:**

As per Executive Recommendation in this report.

**Option 2:**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to the Local Government Act 1995 Section 3.57 RESOLVES to:

1. NOT PROCEED with this RFT16 1213 Maintenance and Repairs of the City's Street Lights, Parks and Car Parks;
2. MAKES this determination based on the following:
  - a. To be determined by Council

**Option 3:**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to the Local Government Act 1995 \ Section 3.57 RESOLVES to:

1. RE-TENDER to source additional suppliers;
2. MAKES this determination based on the following:
  - a. To be determined by Council

**CONCLUSION:**

The City requires a cost effective supply of goods and services which comply with product specification to enable relevant departments to carry out budgetary commitments.

**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to the Local Government Act 1995 Section 3.57 RESOLVES to:

1. Establish a panel of three (3) electrical contractors from the submissions to RFT16 1213, for the period 1 February 2013 to 31 January 2015, namely:
  - a. Elite Electrical Contracting Pty Ltd;
  - b. GCo Electrical;
  - c. S & K Electrical Contracting; and
- 2 RECORD the tendered rates in the minutes.



CI035	RFT22 1213 – CIVIL PLANT & EQUIPMENT – WET AND DRY HIRE
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<b>AGENDA REFERENCE:</b>	<b>D-13-03402</b>
<b>AUTHOR:</b>	<b>G Sherlock, Operations Manager</b>
<b>EXECUTIVE:</b>	<b>N Arbutnot, Director Community Infrastructure</b>
<b>DATE OF REPORT:</b>	<b>11 January 2012</b>
<b>FILE REFERENCE:</b>	<b>PS/3/0001</b>
<b>APPLICANT / PROPONENT:</b>	<b>City of Greater Geraldton</b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	<b>Yes - Confidential</b>

**SUMMARY:**

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval to establish two (2) panels of contractors from recent submissions to RFT22 1213. Panel 1 will be for Wet Hire and Panel 2 will be for Dry Hire. The panels will be in place from February 1 2013 to 31 January 2015.

**PROponent:**

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton.

**BACKGROUND:**

A tender related to the wet and dry hire of civil plant and equipment was advertised locally in the Geraldton Guardian on 23 November 2012 and in the West Australian on 24 November 2012. The closing date for tender was 4pm on Thursday 13 December 2012.

Tender submissions were received from the following:

7. WBHO Civil Pty Ltd
8. Cross Country Civil
9. Clohessy Earthmoving & Haulage Contractors
10. ARC Earthmoving
11. T & A Hulcup
12. Greenline Truck & Loader Hire
13. Grading Services Australia Pty Ltd
14. TerraVac
15. Centrals Earthmoving Company Pty Ltd
16. Tru-Line Excavations & Plumbing Pty Ltd
17. JMC Truck & Loader Hire
18. Mining Equipment Solutions Australia
19. Mayday Earthmoving
20. Cobra Earthmoving
21. Oates Hire
22. Ironman Plant Rent
23. Sherrin Rentals

Previously the City has resolved to adopt a two year supply period for tenders for the supply and delivery of a variety of goods and services. The ability to both wet or dry hire civil plant & equipment when required is integral to source both the City's capital and operational programs.

**COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:**

There has been no community consultation.

**COUNCILLOR CONSULTATION:**

There has been no councillor consultation.

**STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS:**

Tenders were called in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995 and with Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

The City of Greater Geraldton has adopted a purchasing policy which refers to the purchase of all levels of goods and services through either quotations or through tenders.

The policy provides compliance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1995 and the Local Government Act (Functions and General Regulations 1996). Additional to the policy, procedures have been developed for both purchasing through quotations and tenders to guide staff when purchasing goods and services for the City of Greater Geraldton.

**FINANCIAL AND BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:**

Prices tendered are recorded and utilised for future project pricing. The table in the Confidential Attachment indicates comparative prices of all materials and products.

Budget allocation as a materials supply and delivery which is within the annual construction and maintenance budget provisions.

**STRATEGIC & REGIONAL OUTCOMES:****Strategic Community Plan Outcomes:**

Goal 4	Opportunity for Sustainability
Outcome 4.2	Improved Transport and Accessibility
Strategy : 4.2.2	Improve our network of urban, rural and regional roads, cycle ways, trails and paths

**Regional Outcomes:**

To develop a functional network of roads, paths and drainage.

**ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, ENVIRONMENTAL & CULTURAL ISSUES:****Economic:**

There are no economic issues associated with this item.

**Social:**

There are no social issues associated with this item.

**Environmental:**

There are no environmental issues associated with this item.

**Cultural & Heritage:**

There are no cultural or heritage issues associated with this item.

**RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:**

Two yearly supply tenders have been used since pre-amalgamation between the former City of Geraldton, the former Shire of Greenough, the former Shire of Mullewa and has a proven successful method of obtaining goods and services from quality suppliers at known costs.

**DELEGATED AUTHORITY:**

There is no delegated authority.

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS:**

A simple majority is required.

**OPTIONS:****Option 1:**

As per Executive Recommendation in this report.

**Option 2:**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to the Local Government Act 1995 Section 3.57 RESOLVES to:

1. NOT PROCEED with this RFT22 1213 Civil Plant – Wet and Dry Hire
2. MAKES this determination based on the following:
  - a. To be determined by Council

**Option 3:**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to the Local Government Act 1995 Section 3.57 RESOLVES to:

1. RE-TENDER to source additional suppliers;
2. MAKES this determination based on the following:
  - a. To be determined by Council

**CONCLUSION:**

The City requires a cost effective supply of goods and services which comply with product specification to enable relevant departments to carry out their budgetary commitments.

**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to the Local Government Act 1995 Section 3.57 RESOLVES to:

1. ESTABLISH two panels, one for wet hire and one for dry hire from the submissions to RFT 22 1213, for the period 1 February 2013 to 31 January 2015, namely:

**Wet Hire:**

WBHO Civil Pty Ltd;  
Cross Country Civil;  
Clohessy Earthmoving & Haulage Contractors;  
ARC Earthmoving;  
T & A Hulcup;  
Greenline Truck & Loader Hire;  
Grading Services Australia Pty Ltd;  
TerraVac;  
Centrals Earthmoving Company Pty Ltd;  
Tru-Line Excavations & Plumbing Pty Ltd;  
JMC Truck & Loader Hire;  
Mining Equipment Solutions Australia; and  
Mayday Earthmoving.

**Dry Hire**

Centrals Earthmoving Company Pty Ltd;  
Tru-Line Excavations & Plumbing Pty Ltd;  
JMC Truck & Loader Hire;  
Mining Equipment Solutions Australia;  
Mayday Earthmoving;  
Cobra Earthmoving;  
Coates Hire;  
Ironman Plant Rent;  
Sherrin Rentals; and

- 3 RECORD the tendered rates in the minutes.

CC092	CLIPPER ROUND THE WORLD YACHT RACE - SPONSORSHIP PROPOSAL
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<b>AGENDA REFERENCE:</b>	<b>D-13-05114</b>
<b>AUTHOR:</b>	<b>A Selvey, Director of Creative Communities</b>
<b>EXECUTIVE:</b>	<b>A Selvey, Director of Creative Communities</b>
<b>DATE OF REPORT:</b>	<b>23 January 2013</b>
<b>FILE REFERENCE:</b>	<b>GO/6/0012-02</b>
<b>APPLICANT / PROPONENT:</b>	<b>City of Greater Geraldton</b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	<b>Yes x1</b>

**SUMMARY:**

This report provides Council with a proposal for the City of Greater Geraldton to participate in the Clipper Round the World Yacht Races 2013/14 and 2015/16 as a host port with a sponsored yacht and seeks a Council decision on the proposal and required funding.

**PROponent:**

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Clipper Round the World Yacht Race, an international yachting event, has visited Geraldton twice. The first visit in 2009 arose as an opportunity when, at the last minute, negotiations between Clipper and the City of Fremantle failed and the [then] City of Geraldton-Greenough was invited to host the only Australian stopover of the 2009/10 race.

Despite the late notice, the City was able to provide good amenity, strong support and an enjoyable stopover for the crew; so much so that Clipper approached the City to host a stopover in 2011 and as part of that proposal, sought the City's sponsorship of a yacht. The City was able to secure \$200,000 funding from Eventscorp and as a result was able to sponsor a yacht "Geraldton, Western Australia" and host a nine day stopover in October/November 2011.

An independent media evaluation of the 2011/12 Clipper race found that "Geraldton, Western Australia" generated 1,924 items of world side media coverage with an estimated public relations value of £6.7 million (AU\$10 million). (See Attachment 1)

An assessment of economic return on investment for the 2011/12 races has been generated through Remplan Economic Modeling Software. Remplan economic profile is based on data sourced from the Australia Bureau of Statistics (ABS), Tourism Research Australia (TRA), and Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR). This assessment was based on conservative estimates of 300 national and international visitors, 250 state visitors (domestic overnight) for a duration of 5 days/4 nights. Under this scenario, an estimated total economic benefit of \$340,000 was generated.

The City has received a proposal from Clipper inviting the City's continued involvement as Western Australia's only 'host city' for the 2013/14 and 2015/16 races and sponsorship of a yacht in both races. The proposal offers a two race campaign package at a cost of GB£500,000 (AU\$750,000) per race or GB£1million (AU\$1.5million) for both races. The full rights fee for a boat entry in the Clipper 13-14 Race is GB£1.25 million (GB£1.5 million in Clipper 15-16) so this 2 race offer is based on a substantial discount. This package would secure the following benefits:

- Yacht naming rights and branding on 75% of the hull;
- Team name on main sail, spinnaker, boom cover, forestay banner and country flag on main sail;
- Team sponsor banners in each stopover;
- Dedicated team micro-site on official website;
- Advert and editorial in official souvenir guide (360 Magazine) and exposure in other printed publications;
- Profile in official TV series;
- Activation opportunities in stopovers;
- Use of official images and footage for below the line marketing; and
- Sailing days and static hospitality opportunities around the world.

The timeframe for the 2013/14 race is such that the race starts in July from the United Kingdom (hence the need to secure a decision and funding to provide the branding and livery on the yacht) and then subsequently the Australian stopover would be in November 2013.

The 2015/16 timeframes are yet to be confirmed. In addition to the direct cash contribution required for the City to be a sponsor, there are requirements of a 'host city' that are listed for Council.

**COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:**

The success of previous visits by Clipper yacht have been possible due to the significant effort from a variety of stakeholders including, but not limited to, the Mid West Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Mid West Development Commission, Geraldton Yacht Club and a variety of local businesses. These stakeholders have been advised that the City has received a two race package proposal from Clipper that will be considered by Council.

**COUNCILLOR CONSULTATION:**

There has been no Councillor Consultation.

**STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no statutory implications.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no policy implications.

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**FINANCIAL AND BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:**

The total cost for the City to sponsor a yacht and be a host city for both the 2013/14 race and the 2015/16 race is \$1.5M or \$750,000 per race based on a two race campaign which would be paid over a four year period (12/13, 2013/14, 2014/15, and 2015/16).

Over the four year agreement commencing 2012/13, the City would seek a total contribution of \$1.1 million from Eventscorp and would be required to contribute \$100,000 per financial year over the same four year period to meet the sponsorship requirements. A further \$50,000 for each race year (2013/14 and 2015/16) would be required to meet the obligations of being a host city.

**STRATEGIC & REGIONAL OUTCOMES:****Strategic Community Plan Outcomes:**

Goal 2:	Opportunities for Prosperity
Outcome 2.2:	Greater Geraldton as a leading regional and rural destination
Strategy 2.2.1:	Attract, facilitate and promote regional, national and internationally significant events

**Regional Outcomes:**

Economic, social and cultural outcomes are not limited to Geraldton as there are strong outcomes for the region and more broadly the state. The broader state-wide benefit of hosting a West Australian stopover and a yacht co-branded with 'Western Australia' was recognised by Tourism WA as is evidenced by their financial support for the City's involvement in Clipper's 2011/12 race.

**ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, ENVIRONMENTAL & CULTURAL ISSUES:****Economic:**

Global media coverage of the race is independently estimated as having a public relations value of £6.7million (AU\$10million).

The following local economic impact of the 2011 stopover, based on the following conservative visitor numbers has been calculated using Remplan:

- Visitors national and international – 300
- Visitors State (Domestic Overnight) – 250
- Duration – 5 days/4 nights

Under this scenario, total economic benefit is calculated at approximately \$340 000.

The race also provides significant exposure to international investors who otherwise may never be aware of, or consider Geraldton as an investment opportunity.

**Social:**

The 2009 and 2011 stopovers in Geraldton provided capacity building opportunities for the community via events such as Geraldton Senior College Sail and Try Sailing Days. Programs such as these enhance community life and build social capital.

Greater lead time provided being securing a 2 race (4 year) timeframe enables greater engagement with local community and industry providers and potential facilitate greater ties with other cities for programs.

**Environmental:**

There are no environmental issues.

**Cultural & Heritage:**

The media exposure and visitation generated by participation in the Clipper race and as a host city provides opportunity to showcase the culture and heritage of the City and region to an international audience. Tourism product currently enjoyed by Cruise ship passengers such as visits to Yamaji Art, heritage tours and HMAS Sydney II Memorial Tours, would benefit from the further exposure offered by Clipper.

**RELEVANT PRECEDENTS:**

The City hosted the stopover of the Clipper Round the World Yacht Race in 2009 and in 2011 hosted the stopover and with Tourism WA, co-sponsored a yacht in the race.

**DELEGATED AUTHORITY:**

There is no delegated authority.

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS:**

Simple Majority required for Option 2 and Option 3. Absolute majority required for Option 1 (Executive Recommendation).

**OPTIONS:**

**Option 1:**

As per Executive Recommendation in this report.

**Option 2:**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 3.1 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. DECLINE the Clipper Round the World Yacht Race two race package proposal;
2. MAKES the determination based on the following reasons:
  - a. To be determined by Council



**Option 3:**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 3.1 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. DEFER a decision on the Clipper two race package proposal;
2. MAKES the determination based on the following reasons:
  - a. To be determined by Council

**CONCLUSION:**

Independent media evaluation and Remplan economic assessments demonstrate significant return on investment for the City's previous involvement with Clipper Round the World Yacht Race. Clipper provides arguably one of the best opportunities to showcase Geraldton and the Region to international, national and domestic markets. Tourism is recognised as an economic driver that will add diversity, depth and sustainability to this region's economic growth potential. Option 1 is recommended as it provides for a longer term focus resulting in more preparation time resulting in better planning which will allow the City to maximise the potential benefits associated with Clipper.

**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council by Absolute Majority pursuant to Section 6.8 of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to:

1. ACCEPT the two race package proposal from Clipper;
2. APPROVE \$100,000 expenditure in the 2012/13 budget as part of the mid-year budget review to meet immediate sponsorship requirements;
3. COMMIT \$100,000 per annum in the 2013/14, 2014/15 and 2015/16 budgets to meet ongoing sponsorship requirements;
4. COMMIT \$50,000 per annum in the 2013/14 and 2015/16 budgets to meet 'host city' obligations; and
5. SEEK funding of \$1.1million over four years from Eventscorp.

### 13 Reports to be Received

<b>REPORTS TO BE RECEIVED</b>	
<b>AGENDA REFERENCE:</b>	<b>D-13-05147</b>
<b>AUTHOR:</b>	<b>A Brun, Chief Executive Officer</b>
<b>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>FILE REFERENCE:</b>	<b>GO/6/0028</b>
<b>DATE OF REPORT:</b>	<b>17 January 2013</b>

**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.

**ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENT:**

The following reports are attached in the Appendix to this agenda:

OP0024 Audit Committee Meeting Minutes – 18 December 2012

**CONSULTATION:**

Not applicable.

**STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT:**

Not applicable.

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS:**

Simple majority is required.

**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council by Simple Majority pursuant to Section 22.(2) of the Local Government Act 1995 RESOLVES to

1. RECEIVE the following appended reports:
  - a. Reports – Organisational Performance:
    - i. Audit Committee Meeting Minutes – 18 December 2013

- 14 ELECTED MEMBERS MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**
  
- 15 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**
  
- 16 URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY PRESIDING MEMBER OR BY DECISION OF THE MEETING**
  
- 17 CLOSURE**

## **APPENDIX 1 – ATTACHMENTS AND REPORTS TO BE RECEIVED**

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