



City of **Perth**

Notes

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1. Declaration of Opening

The Presiding Member declared the Agenda Briefing Session for the City of Perth open at 5:01pm.

2. Acknowledgement of Country/Prayer

The Presiding Member gave an Acknowledgement of Country:

I respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet, the Whadjuk Nyoongar people of Western Australia, and pay my respects to Elders past and present. It is a privilege to be standing on Whadjuk Nyoongar country.

The Chief Executive Officer recited a prayer:

Almighty God, under whose providence we hold responsibility for this City grant us wisdom to understand its present needs, foresight to anticipate its future growth, and grace to serve our fellow citizens with integrity and selfless devotion. And to Thee, be all blessing and glory forever. Amen.

3. Attendance

Members in Attendance

Lord Mayor	Basil Zempilas
Deputy Lord Mayor	Liam Gobbert
Councillors	Sandy Anghie
	Di Bain (arrived 5:04pm)
	Clyde Bevan
	Brent Fleeton
	Rebecca Gordon

Officers in Attendance

Chief Executive Officer	Michelle Reynolds
General Manager Commercial Services	Steve Holden
General Manager Community Development	Kylie Johnson
General Manager Infrastructure and Operations	Allan Mason
General Manager Planning and Economic Development	Dale Page
Chief Financial Officer/Acting General Manager Corporate Services	Michael Kent
Alliance Manager Council Governance and Policy	Charlie Clarke
Chief Technology Officer	Andrew Cann
Lawyer (Restricted Practitioner)	Kathleen Gwynne
Audit and Risk Manager	Natasha Balderston
Governance Officer	Ebony Mackey
Governance Officer	Anne-Marie Bartlett

Public Gallery

There were approximately 8 members of the public in the gallery.

3.1 Apologies

Councillor Viktor Ko

3.2 Leave of Absence

Councillor Catherine Lezer (22 May 2023 to 7 June 2023 inclusive)

3.3 Applications for Leave of Absence

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

4. Announcements by the Lord Mayor

5:04pm *Cr Bain entered the meeting during Item 4.*

4.1 Street Name Change – Nelson Avenue to Sailani Avenue

The Lord Mayor thanked and acknowledged his fellow Councillors for their support in renaming Nelson Avenue, East Perth to Sailani Avenue when the request came before Council recently.

The Lord Mayor stated that the request had been facilitated by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) which had come from the Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi directly to the Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese, which then made its way to the City of Perth.

The Lord Mayor shared the story of Private Sailani who was born in India and arrived in Geraldton in 1895, Private Sailani was 22 at that time and worked as a labourer before enlisting with the Australian Imperial Forces during World War One in 1916, he was one of twelve known Indian ANZAC's. Private Sailani sailed out from Fremantle on 6 June 1916 and was sadly killed in Action in France on 1 June 1917 and his remains were buried in Belgium.

The Lord Mayor detailed that the Prime Minister of India requested the name change after he had become acquainted with the story as not only did it represent those people of Indian origin or Indian descent who came to Australia for a new life and great opportunities, but it also demonstrated their commitment to their new homeland in answering the call of duty.

The Lord Mayor stated that it was his pleasure on behalf of the City of Perth Council alongside representatives from the WA State Government and members of the Indian Community to preside as the name of Nelson Avenue was changed to Sailani Avenue.

The Lord Mayor clarified that the reason that road was chosen was due to its close proximity to the Western Australian Cricket Ground (WACA) where Australian and Indian people have shared their common love of cricket and have created many great memories together.

The Lord Mayor advised that the name Nelson, in honour of Admiral Horatio Nelson the British Naval Commander, had been applied to both Nelson Crescent and Nelson Avenue, and given that there was still a Nelson to stay in vogue in operation down near the WACA, the Nelson Avenue option had been chosen.

The Lord Mayor described the ceremony as fitting and a wonderful thing for the City of Perth to have been able to help facilitate and that he was proud of the decision of Council.

5. Disclosures of Interests

Name	Lord Mayor Basil Zempilas
Item number and title	Item 12.1 Event Sponsorship 2023/24 – Round 1
Nature of interest	Direct Financial
Interest description	<i>Seven West Media is his principal place of employment</i>

Name	Lord Mayor Basil Zempilas
Item number and title	Item 12.1 Event Sponsorship 2023/24 – Round 1
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Interest description	<i>a person known to him, Paul Nash, is involved with the management of the event</i>

Name	Deputy Lord Mayor Liam Gobbert
Item number and title	Item 12.1 Event Sponsorship 2023/24 – Round 1
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Interest description	<i>a friend (Rachel Davidson) is closely associated in the Management of the Perth International Jazz Festival.</i>

Name	Deputy Lord Mayor Liam Gobbert
Item number and title	Item 12.3 Proposed Members for the LGBTQIA+ Advisory Group
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Interest description	<i>Existing and Recommended Members of the LGBTQIA+ Advisory Group are personal friends.</i>

Name	Councillor Di Bain
Item number and title	Item 12.3 Proposed Members for the LGBTQIA+ Advisory Group
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Interest description	<i>David Goncalves volunteered on my election campaign; Paul Alain-Hunt worked for me a long time ago; Steve Wellard is known to me through his community connections at West Perth Local.</i>

Name	Councillor Di Bain
Item number and title	Item 14.1 Monthly Financial Statements – March 2023
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Interest description	<i>These are fees invoiced by the City’s acting legal counsel. She is the cousin of my husband’s son in law. The City has advised me to declare this as an impartiality interest.</i>

Name	Councillor Di Bain
Item number and title	Item 11.1 City Planning Scheme No. 2 and Local Planning Scheme No. 26 – Final Adoption of Amendment 49 and Amendment 6
Nature of interest	Direct Financial
Interest description	<i>Malcolm Day Donated to my election campaign in 2020.</i>

Name	Councillor Di Bain
Item number and title	Item 11.2 Accelerating Residential Development in the City of Perth
Nature of interest	Direct Financial
Interest description	<i>Rod Hammersley – East Perth Girls School donated to my election campaign in 2020.</i>

Name	Councillor Rebecca Gordon
Item number and title	12.2 Review of Policy 2.11 – Heritage Rate Concession
Nature of interest	Direct Financial
Interest description	<i>As the owner of a heritage property I am able to apply for a heritage rate concession</i>

Name	Councillor Sandy Anghie
Item number and title	Item 12.1 Event Sponsorship 2023/24 – Round 1
Nature of interest	Indirect Financial
Interest description	<i>Indirect financial interest via my husband, Michael Anghie, CEO of APM. APM is a sponsor for The West Australian Leadership Matters breakfasts. They get brand recognition and a table at each event. From time to time they get an invite to attend on the SWM table. APM is one of 4 sponsors of the Alinta Christmas pageant, owned/run by CH7. They get a float in the pageant and branding. APM is an advertising client if SWM nationally.</i>

Name	Councillor Sandy Anghie
Item number and title	Item 12.1 Event Sponsorship 2023/24 – Round 1
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Interest description	<i>My husband Michael Anghie and I are personally donors to Telethon. The company of which my husband is CEO, being APM, is also a donor to Telethon. We have been invited to several events as guests in recent years.</i>

Name	Councillor Sandy Anghie
Item number and title	Item 12.1 Event Sponsorship 2023/24 – Round 1
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Interest description	<i>Attended two opening events for PIJF where I spoke on behalf of the City.</i>

Name	Councillor Sandy Anghie
Item number and title	Item 12.1 Event Sponsorship 2023/24 – Round 1
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Interest description	<i>Impartiality, the authorised agent of the applicant, Paul Nash, is known to me. I met Paul in 2021, and have met with him several times over the past couple of years. Myself and another EM have received email correspondence from Paul in recent weeks in relation to this year's event held from 4th to 7th of May 2023.</i>

6. Public Participation

6.1 Public Questions

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

6.2 Deputations

6.2.2 Mace Francis representing the Perth International Jazz Festival who spoke FOR the Officers Recommendation in item 12.1 Event Sponsorship 2023/24 – Round 1.

6.2.3 Alan Rogers representing Nalomian Pty Ltd who spoke FOR the Officer's Recommendation in Item 12.1 Event Sponsorship 2023/24 – Round 1.

7. Confirmation of Minutes

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

8. Questions by Members which due Notice has been Given

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

9. Correspondence

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

10. Petitions

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

Reports

A series of questions were raised by elected members which were responded to prior to the Agenda Briefing Session. A summary of the responses will be included under 'Further Information' located at the end of each report in the Ordinary Council Meeting agenda.

The audio recording of this Agenda Briefing Session is available on the City's website.

11. Planning and Economic Development Alliance Reports

Councillor Bain disclosed an indirect financial interest in Item 11.1 (as detailed in Item 5). As no questions were asked, Councillor Bain was not required to depart the meeting.

11.1 City Planning Scheme No. 2 and Local Planning Scheme No. 26 - Final Adoption of Amendment 49 and Amendment 6

5:38pm Councillor Bain disclosed an indirect financial interest in Item 11.2 (as detailed in Item 5), and departed the meeting accordingly prior to the commencement of Item 11.2.

11.2 Accelerating Residential Development in the City of Perth

5:59pm Councillor Bain returned to the meeting.

11.3 Draft Urban Greening Strategy

12. Community Development Alliance Reports

The following item 12.1 was the subject of two deputations.

The Lord Mayor disclosed a Direct Financial Interest in Item 12.1 (as detailed in item 5). The Lord Mayor clarified that his interest related to proposed sponsorships referenced as a) and b) in the recommendation. The Lord Mayor stated he would depart the meeting if there were questions relating to these particular sponsorships and signalled his intention to remain in the meeting for questions relating to proposed sponsorships c) to m). As no questions were asked in relation to sponsorships referenced a) and b), the Lord Mayor was not required to depart the meeting.

Councillor Anghie disclosed an Indirect Financial Interest in Item 12.1 (as detailed in item 5). As her interests also related only to proposed sponsorships referenced as a) and b) in the recommendation, Councillor Anghie stated she would depart the meeting if there were questions relating to these particular sponsorships and signalled her intention to remain in the meeting for questions relating to proposed sponsorships c) to m). As no questions were asked in relation to sponsorships referenced a) and b), Councillor Anghie was not required to depart the meeting.

Councillor Anghie disclosed impartiality interests in Item 12.1 (as detailed in item 5).

The Lord Mayor disclosed an impartiality interest in Item 12.1 (as detailed in item 5).

The Deputy Lord Mayor disclosed an impartiality interest in Item 12.1 (as detailed in item 5).

12.1 Event Sponsorship 2023/24 - Round 1

6:28pm Councillor Gordon disclosed a direct financial interest in Item 12.2 (as detailed in Item 5), and departed the meeting accordingly prior to the commencement of Item 12.2.

12.2 Review of Policy 2.11 - Heritage Rate Concession

6:34pm Councillor Gordon returned to the meeting.

Councillor Bain disclosed an Impartiality Interest in Item 12.3 (as detailed in Item 5).

The Deputy Lord Mayor disclosed an Impartiality Interest in Item 12.3 (as detailed in Item 5).

12.3 Proposed Members for the LGBTQIA+ Advisory Group

13. Infrastructure and Operations Alliance Reports

Nil.

14. Corporate Services Reports

Councillor Bain disclosed an Impartiality Interest in Item 14.1 (as detailed in Item 5).

14.1 Monthly Financial Statements - March 2023

14.2 Schedule of Accounts Paid - March 2023

14.3 Differential Rates 2023/24

15. Chief Executive Officer Reports

15.1 Parking Amendment Local Law 2023

16. Audit and Risk Committee

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16.5 3-year Strategic Internal Audit Plan FY23/24 to FY25/26

16.6 Progress on the FY 22/23 Audit Plan

16.7 OAG Audit Reports Update

17. Committee Reports

Nil.

18. Motions of which Previous Notice has been Given

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

18. Matters for which the meeting may be closed

6:58pm *The Lord Mayor closed the meeting to the public and the live stream paused.*

In accordance with Section 5.23(2)(f) of the Local Government Act 1995, the following Item 18.1 and its attachments are confidential.

18.1 Cyber Security Update

In accordance with Section 5.23(2)(f) of the Local Government Act 1995, the following Item and its attachments are confidential.

18.2 Essential 8 Cyber Security Budget Amendment

In accordance with Section 5.23(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1995, the following Item and its attachments are confidential.

18.3 Perth Concert Hall Car Park Lease

7:04pm *The Lord Mayor opened the meeting to the public and the live stream resumed.*

19. Urgent Business

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

20. Closure

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 7:05pm.