City of Perth

Minutes

Special Council Meeting

22 September 2026

Approved for release

Maria Cooke
Acting Chief Executive Officer
23 September 2026

Minutes to be confirmed at the next Ordinary Council Meeting

These minutes are hereby certified as confirmed.

Presiding member's signature _____ Date _____

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1. Declaration of Opening

The Presiding Member declared the Special Council Meeting for the City of Perth open at 6:47pm.

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	Bruce Reynolds
Councillors	Liam Gobbert
	Catherine Lezer
	David Goncalves
	Adam Pacan (*via Teams*)
	Chris Patton
	Lisa Ma

Attendance by Electronic Means

The following elected members attended the meeting via electronic means in accordance with regulation 14C of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996:

- Councillor Adam Pacan

The Lord Mayor asked all elected members attending via electronic means to confirm that they could maintain confidentiality throughout the meeting. All elected members attending electronically confirmed that they could maintain confidentiality.

Officers in Attendance

A/Chief Executive Officer	Maria Cooke
Executive Director	Michelle Bell
General Manager Corporate Services	Paul White
Governance and Policy Officer (Minute Taker)	Jacob Armstrong

Observers

Nil.

Public Gallery

There were zero members of the public in the gallery.

3.1 Apologies

Councillor Vicktor Ko

Councillor Raj Doshi

3.2 Leave of Absence

Nil.

4. Disclosures of Interests

Nil.

5. Public Participation

5.1 Public Questions

Nil.

5.2 Deputations

Nil.

6. Report

Council Resolution (SCM-26/09-001)

Mover: Lord Mayor Bruce Reynolds

Seconder: Deputy Lord Mayor David Goncalves

That Council CLOSE the meeting to the public in accordance with Section 5.23(4)(b) of the *Local Government Act 1995* to consider Item 6.1 - Confidential.

CARRIED UNOPPOSED (7/0)

For : Lord Mayor Bruce Reynolds; Deputy Lord Mayor David Goncalves; Councillors Liam Gobbert, Catherine Lezer, Adam Pacan, Chris Patton and Lisa Ma

Against : Nil

6:50pm The Meeting was closed to the public.

In accordance with Section 5.23(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1995, the following Item 6.1 and its attachments are confidential.

6.1 Confidential Matter

Responsible Officer	Maria Cooke – Acting Chief Executive Officer
Voting Requirements	Absolute Majority
Attachments	Confidential Attachment 6.1A – Confidential Options

Council Resolution (SCM-26/09-002)

Mover: Lord Mayor Bruce Reynolds

Seconder: Deputy Lord Mayor David Goncalves

That Council SUSPEND all clauses of the City of Perth *Standing Orders Local Law 2009*.

CARRIED (6/1)

For : Lord Mayor Bruce Reynolds; Deputy Lord Mayor David Goncalves; Councillors Liam Gobbert, Adam Pacan, Chris Patton and Lisa Ma

Against : Councillor Catherine Lezer

All clauses of the City of Perth Standing Orders Local Law 2009 were suspended.

Council Resolution (SCM-26/09-003)

Mover: Lord Mayor Bruce Reynolds

Seconder: Councillor Liam Gobbert

That Council RESUME all clauses of the City of Perth *Standing Orders Local Law 2009*.

CARRIED UNOPPOSED (7/0)

For : Lord Mayor Bruce Reynolds; Deputy Lord Mayor David Goncalves; Councillors Liam Gobbert, Adam Pacan, Chris Patton Lisa Ma, and Catherine Lezer

Against : Nil.

The operation of all clauses of the City of Perth Standing Orders Local Law 2009 were resumed.

Council Resolution (SCM-26/09-004)

Mover: Lord Mayor Bruce Reynolds

Seconder: Councillor Chris Patton

That Council APPROVES option C in the Confidential Options Report (**Attachment A**).

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY (5/2)

For : Lord Mayor Bruce Reynolds; Deputy Lord Mayor David Goncalves; Councillors Liam Gobbert, Chris Patton and Lisa Ma

Against : Councillors Catherine Lezer and Adam Pacan

Council Resolution (SCM-26/09-005)

Mover: Lord Mayor Bruce Reynolds

Seconder: Deputy Lord Mayor David Goncalves

That Council OPEN the meeting to the public.

CARRIED UNOPPOSED (7/0)

For : Lord Mayor Bruce Reynolds; Deputy Lord Mayor David Goncalves; Councillors Liam Gobbert, Catherine Lezer, Adam Pacan, Chris Patton and Lisa Ma

Against : Nil

7:11pm The meetings was reopened to the public.

7. Closure

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 7:13pm.