

# South East Metropolitan Zone

## **Minutes**

16 February 2022

## South East Metropolitan Zone

#### **Held via MS Teams**

Wednesday, 16 February 2022 commenced at 6:01 pm

#### **Minutes**

MEMBERS 2 Voting Delegates from each Member Council

City of Armadale Mayor Ruth Butterfield (SC)

Cr Melissa Northcott

Ms Joanne Abbiss, Chief Executive Officer - non-voting delegate

City of Canning Mayor Patrick Hall

Mr Stephen Cain, Interim Chief Executive Officer – non-voting delegate

City of Gosnells Cr Sarah Patterson

Cr David Goode JP

Mr Ian Cowie, Chief Executive Officer - non-voting delegate

City of South Perth Cr Jennifer Nevard

Cr Carl Celedin (SC)

Mr Mike Bradford, Chief Executive Officer – non-voting delegate

Town of Victoria Park Cr Bronwyn Ife - Chair

Cr Peter Devereux

Mr Anthony Vuleta, Chief Executive Officer - non-voting delegate

WALGA Secretariat Ms Kelly McManus, Principal, Policy and Advocacy

Ms Lyn Fogg, Governance Specialist

Guest Speakers Mr Grant Robinson, Assistant Auditor General, Office of the Auditor

General

**APOLOGIES** 

City of Canning Cr Jesse Jacobs

**DLGSC** Representative

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Zone Delegates were requested to provide sufficient written notice, wherever possible, on amendments to recommendations within the State Council or Zone agenda prior to the Zone meeting, to the Chair and Secretariat.

Agenda Papers were emailed 7 days prior to the meeting date.

<u>Acknowledgement of Country</u> All attendees acknowledged the traditional owners of the land that the meeting is held on and paying respects to Elders past, present and future.

#### Protocols for electronic meeting:

- Chair or Zone Executive Officer went through the attendance list
- Protocols:
  - o Please mute your microphone once attendance has been taken
  - Please use the hand symbol if you wish to speak
  - o Once identified by the Chair, please turn on your camera and unmute your microphone
  - Cameras do not need to be turned on for the duration of the meeting (especially if connection is unreliable)

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Draft Minutes of the previous meeting
- 2. Zone Status Report
- 3. Meeting Guidelines / Protocols
- 4. Standing Orders
- 5. President's Report
- 6. State Council special meeting Agenda, 23 February 2022
- 7. Office of the Auditor General presentation slides

#### 1. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Elected Members must declare to the Chairperson any potential conflict of interest they have in a matter before the Zone as soon as they become aware of it. Councillors and deputies may be directly or indirectly associated with some recommendations of the Zone and State Council. If you are affected by these recommendations, please excuse yourself from the meeting and do not participate in deliberations.

Nil

#### 2. **DEPUTATIONS**

#### 2.1 Office of the Auditor General

Grant Robinson, Assistant Auditor General, from the Office of the Auditor General provided an update presentation to the Zone. A copy of the presentation has been distributed.

#### 3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#### RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr David Goode Seconded: Cr Melissa Northcott

That the Minutes of the meeting of the South East Metropolitan Zone held on 17 November 2021 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4. BUSINESS ARISING

A Status Report outlining the actions taken on the Zone's resolutions was enclosed as an attachment.

#### **Noted**

#### 5. STATE COUNCIL AGENDA - MATTERS FOR DECISION

(Zone delegates to consider the Matters for Decision contained in the WA Local Government Association State Council Agenda and put forward resolutions to Zone Representatives on State Council)

#### 5.1 Special State Council Meeting Agenda – 23 February 2022

The full State Council special meeting Agenda is included as an attachment to this Agenda and can also be found via link: State Council Special Meeting Agenda 23 February 2022

The Zone is able to provide comment or submit an alternative recommendation that is then presented to the State Council for consideration.

#### **Matters for Decision**

#### 3.1 Local Government Reform Proposal Submission

- 1. That the recommendations contained in the 'Local Government Reform Proposal Submission' be endorsed.
- 2. That WALGA: a. seek assurance from the Minister for Local Government that further detail on the proposed reforms will be provided to the sector for comment prior to the formulation of a draft Local Government Act Amendment Bill; and b. seek a formal commitment from the Minister for Local Government that WALGA actively participates in the legislative drafting process necessary to formulate a draft Local Government Act Amendment Bill.

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Sarah Patterson Seconded: Cr David Goode

That the South East Metropolitan Zone supports all Matters for Decision as listed above in the Special State Council Meeting Agenda – 23 February 2022.

**CARRIED** 

Zone members acknowledged the difficulties in developing sector wide positions on complex matters and recognised the work of the Secretariat in preparing this report.

#### 5.2 Ordinary State Council Meeting Agenda – 2 March 2022

The full State Council Agenda can be found via link: State Council Agenda 2 March 2022

The Zone is able to provide comment or submit an alternative recommendation that is then presented to the State Council for consideration.

#### **Matters for Decision**

#### 5.1 Short-Term Accommodation Regulatory Scheme

That the draft Short-Term Accommodation Regulatory Reform submission be endorsed

#### RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Bronwyn Ife Seconded: Cr Peter Devereaux

#### That the South East Metropolitan Zone:

- 1. Supports Matters for Decision, item 5.1 as listed above in the March 2022 State Council Agenda; and
- 2. Notes all Matters for Noting and Organisational Reports as listed in the March 2022 State Council Agenda.

**CARRIED** 

Zone members acknowledged the work of the Secretariat in advocating for improved regulation of short term accommodation.

#### 6. BUSINESS

Nil

#### 7. OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

#### 8. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

#### 8.1 WALGA President's Report

The WALGA representative presented the President's Report.

#### **Noted**

#### 8.2 State Councillor's report to the Zone

WALGA State Councillors, Cr Carl Celedin and Mayor Cr Ruth Butterfield, presented on the previous State Council meeting.

Zone members expressed appreciation for the regular and comprehensive COVID updates provided by the Secretariat.

#### **Noted**

### 8.3 Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries Representative Update Report

Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries representatives did not attend the meeting.

#### 9. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Moved: Mayor Patrick Hall Seconded: Cr David Goode

That the next ordinary meeting of the South East Metropolitan Zone be held on Wednesday, 20 April 2022 at the City of Canning (or virtually) commencing at 6:00pm.

**CARRIED** 

#### 10. CLOSURE

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at **7:14pm**.