

21.06.22

From Cr Di Bell

I wish to submit the following Notice of Motion for Council Meeting Monday June 27th, 2022

Notice of Motion – Audit of City to River Planning and Delivery Process

That Council, in consultation with the Local Government Minister, conduct an external audit of the City to River planning and delivery process. The results to be released to the Community.

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Rationale: The City to River Masterplan encompasses a very large central area of the City and is integral to the future progress of Horsham Rural City. When the masterplan was developed, it was so large that many in the community didn't fully comprehend what was included, and still don't. We have seen the response recently to the Central Activity District Streetscape plan with many stating it's not long since millions were spent on the CBD – leave it alone.

We have now entered a time of uncertainty with steep rises in cost of living, and many in the community have re-evaluated what is important in their lives. We are constantly reminded that money is tight, yet we are developing projects that may require significant maintenance and renewal. These costs will need to be covered by ratepayers.

I believe that as Councillors we must lead the way and live up to our responsibilities, to ensure that the planning and delivery process for this masterplan is financially and environmentally sustainable for our Municipal community.

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Notice of Motion – Strategic Review of Infrastructure Projects to establish priorities

That Council conduct a strategic review of all infrastructure projects, including City to River, currently identified in HRCC Plans and Strategies, to establish the priority of all projects. This review to be completed by Dec 31st 2022 or earlier.

Review to include prioritising based on the following questions:

- 1 Is the project based on clear current community need?
- 2 Will the project deliver clear public value and align to Council's strategic priorities?
- 3 Will the project benefit future initiatives and are there any dependencies?
- 4 How feasible is the project re staff resources?
- 5 How financially and sustainably viable is the project?
- 6 What level of the Social infrastructure hierarchy does project address?
- 7 Are projects fair and equitable across the municipality?

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The HRCC Social Infrastructure Framework provides a strategic approach to asset management ensuring a fair, transparent, and consistent approach to renewal and upgrades, but we need a strategic approach to prioritising projects and plans against one another, in the interests of the whole municipal community.

Without this we run the risk of focussing on a particular project or area of the Municipality to the detriment of others.

If answers to these questions are sought on each project, in an open and transparent manner, the community will then understand how and why some projects are prioritised over others.

As Councillors, it is our responsibility to the Community to ensure projects are inclusive, fair and equitable to all in our Municipality. Discussions with community members, are revealing that they believe areas are feeling left behind by the constant intense focus on City to River projects.

I believe that demonstrating to the community how projects are financially and sustainably viable, will increase community confidence in Council.

To: Mayor, All Councillors and CEO.

Notice of Motion: For Council Meeting, 27 June, 2022

From: Councillor Ian Ross

“That HRCC include \$750,000 in our 2022/23 Budget and Action Plan, to maximise the opportunities for the Wesley Performing Arts Centre to have successful grant applications and to ensure that this asset is restored to the community for use.

If grant applications are unsuccessful, HRCC fully fund the project in the 2023/24 Budget and Action Plan.”

Background:

The WPAC Committee have been working for 5 years to hand ownership of this property to Council with the goal posts being moved further and further away. If we don't act now, this wonderful community venue asset may be lost to the people of Horsham. We are blessed to have a world class piano housed at WPAC for eisteddfods and entertainers. It would be tragic if this piano was lost from Horsham along with the venue.

Signed:



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