



City of Nedlands

Agenda

Sustainable Nedlands Committee Meeting

5 August 2013

ATTENTION

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Before acting on any recommendation of the Committee a check must also be made in the Ordinary Council Minutes following the Committee Meeting to ensure that Council did not make a decision at variance to the Committee Recommendation.

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Notice of a meeting of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee to be held in the Council Chambers, 71 Stirling Highway, Nedlands on Monday, 5 August 2013 at 6.00 pm.

Dear Committee Member

The next meeting of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee will be held on Monday, 5 August 2013 in the Council Chambers at 71 Stirling Highway, Nedlands at 6.00 pm. It is expected that the meeting will conclude at approximately 7.30pm.



Andrew Melville
Manager Sustainable Environment
29 July 2013

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Declaration of Opening

The Presiding Member will declare the meeting open at 6.00 pm and will draw attention to the disclaimer below.

Present and Apologies and Leave of Absence (Previously Approved)

Leave of Absence None
(Previously Approved)

Apologies None as at distribution of this agenda.

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1. Public Question Time

A member of the public wishing to ask a question should register that interest by notification in writing to the CEO in advance, setting out the text or substance of the question. Questions tabled at the meeting may be unable to be answered due to the requirement for technical research and will therefore be answered direct afterwards.

Questions must relate to a matter contained within the agenda of this meeting.

2. Public Address Session (only for items listed on the agenda)

Addresses by members of the public who have completed Public Address Session Forms will be invited to be made at this point.

3. Disclosures of Financial Interest

The Presiding Member to remind Councillors and Staff of the requirements of Section 5.65 of the Local Government Act to disclose any interest during the meeting when the matter is discussed.

A declaration under this section requires that the nature of the interest must be disclosed. Consequently a member who has made a declaration must not preside, participate in, or be present during any discussion or decision making procedure relating to the matter the subject of the declaration.

However, other members may allow participation of the declarant if the member further discloses the extent of the interest. Any such declarant who wishes to participate in the meeting on the matter, shall leave the meeting, after making their declaration and request to participate, while

other members consider and decide upon whether the interest is trivial or insignificant or is common to a significant number of electors or ratepayers.

4. Disclosures of Interests Affecting Impartiality

The Presiding Member to remind Councillors/Staff of the requirements of Council's Code of Conduct in accordance with Section 5.103 of the Local Government Act.

Committee members and staff are required, in addition to declaring any financial interests to declare any interest that may affect their impartiality in considering a matter. This declaration does not restrict any right to participate in or be present during the decision-making procedure.

The following pro forma declaration is provided to assist in making the disclosure.

"With regard to the matter in item x..... I disclose that I have an association with the applicant (or person seeking a decision). As a consequence, there may be a perception that my impartiality on the matter may be affected. I declare that I will consider this matter on its merits and vote accordingly."

The member or employee is encouraged to disclose the nature of the association.

5. Declarations by Members That They Have Not Given Due Consideration to Papers

Members who have not read the business papers to make declarations at this point.

6. Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Sustainable Nedlands Committee Meeting – 8 April 2013

The Minutes of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee held on 10 June 2013 are to be confirmed.

7. Items for Discussion

NOTE: Regulation 11(da) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 requires written reasons for each decision made at the meeting that is significantly different from the relevant written recommendation of a committee or an employee as defined in section 5.70 (but not a decision to only note the matter or to return the recommendation for further consideration).

7.1 Water reuse proposal

Director Technical Services Mark Goodlet will present to the Committee an opportunity to investigate wastewater reuse within the City of Nedlands.

7.2 Community Garden Tours

The City's Policies and Projects Officer Phoebe Huigens will discuss an opportunity to conduct a tour of Community Gardens at the City's of Vincent and Subiaco.

7.3 Community Garden Funding

Funding of \$5000 has been allocated within the 2013/2014 Annual Budget for the purpose of investigating a community garden project.

7.4 Native Garden Competition

The City's Policies and Projects Officer Phoebe Huigens will discuss the City's Garden Competition.

7.5 Innovation Awards

Committee member Rod Griffiths will initiate discussion with the aim of developing an Innovation Awards program. See attachment.

7.6 Subcommittee Reports

7.6.1 Energy and Waste
Report attached

7.6.2 Water
No report received

7.6.3 Transport
No report received

7.6.4 Built Environment
No report received

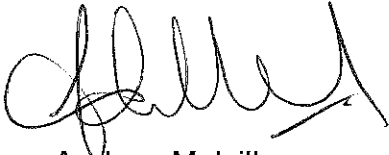
7.6.5 Natural Environment
No report received

8. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of this Committee is scheduled for Monday, 7 October 2013 commencing at 6.00 pm.

Declaration of Closure

There being no further business, the Presiding Member will declare the meeting closed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Melville', written in a cursive style.

Andrew Melville
Manager Health and Compliance

Attachment to Item 7.5

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Innovation Awards

Innovation Awards – City of Nedlands
2013

DRAFT 20 July

As part of community leadership The City of Nedlands encourages innovative designs and practices that promote sustainable outcomes in its operations and in the community.

Through the Sustainable Nedlands Committee (SNC) it makes annual awards for innovation in energy and waste management. The awards are presented at an annual gathering, taking the form of a certificate and ???. These complement the existing Water Wise Garden awards.

The Awarding panel will be members of the SNC, augmented as appropriate by design leaders and sustainability practitioners appointed by SNC.

Candidates for awards may be sought out by the Committee, self-nominated or by advertised public process.

The Awarding panel will consider innovations in

- A. Schools – public and private.
 - Educational initiatives
 - Site practices – vegetable gardens, comprehensive recycling
- B. Homes
 - new design
 - retrofitting and rejuvenation of older properties
 - sustainable site practices – tree retention, verge management
- C. Retail
 - design and layout considerations that lead
 - sustainable practices such as plastic and waste reduction, recycling
- D. Offices and catering
 - design and layout considerations
 - sustainable practices such as waste reduction, recycling
- E. Manufacturing – energy and water management, toxicity management and reduction, roof utilisation for solar/water
- F. Community Groups and Individuals – promotion of sustainability principles
- G. City initiatives (in house)
 - vehicle and travel management
 - internal practices such as waste reduction, recycling
 - effective public campaigns

Attachment to Item 7.6.1

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Subcommittee Report – Energy and Waste

SNC INFORMAL MEETING JULY 15th

Present: Mayor Max Hipkins, Kay White, Rod Griffiths, Cr Nigel Shaw

Guest speaker: Mr Peter Scales, engineer.

Topics discussed: 1. [local] Energy production and conservation; 2. ‘Sustainability Awards’.

1.0 **Energy considerations** – saving energy - in a local government context, or ‘how can local government be a leader in energy conservation’: *[The Mayor, Rod and Kay can correct and/or add to these notes I’m sure.....]*

- Strong possibilities in **geothermal** capacity of Perth region.
- Used in conjunction with heat pumps, City could promote/start up small local areas that utilise heating/cooling using available technology; eg: district heating/cooling systems in the context of say, City HQ/library/hotel/shopping centre.
- High cost of drilling could be seen in context of mining industry fluctuations; ie: using out of work rigs.
- Perth has outstanding supplies [one of top 5 locations in the world...] of ‘hot sedimentary’ aquifers for geothermal energy use.
- **Wave Energy** is being successfully trialled off Garden Island to ultimately supply the Naval Base; the City does have an ocean interface, although utilisation could be tenuous.... *unless as part of a more integrated coastal system [my note..]*
- **Storage of electricity** using metal halide batteries or water and ice.
- **Electric [silent brake...] rubbish vehicles.**
- **Consciousness – raising:** This committee, through City media releases can pass on information to residents, for their consideration and awareness, for example **CSIRO Reports** are readily accessible on almost any initiative, past and current, associated with energy conservation, for example, using bore water as a source for a heat sink, and then return. *[...my note ... it was the CSIRO who first published papers, bulletins and books on passive solar design, construction of energy – saving buildings, and energy conservation in 1963..!!!]*

2.0 **‘Sustainability’ Awards** – demonstrating leadership in the community, and having the City recognise the importance of energy- saving initiatives through ‘awarding’ such leadership, or ‘stewardship of our planet...’

- This brief discussion was based on a paper prepared or in preparation by Rod Griffiths, and at this stage it covers a broad canvas *[paper ultimately attached...]*
- Essentially it is seen as important that this initiative be pursued, along with the need to perhaps ‘broaden the focus’, so that ‘sustainability’ becomes less of a rather hackneyed buzzword, and more of recognition of **‘innovation...’**
- **This scene is now set for at least some positive initiatives that could see some action, and also for ongoing debate.**