



City of Nedlands

Agenda

Sustainable Nedlands Committee Meeting

7 May 2012

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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, 7 May 2012 at 7.00 pm.

Dear Committee Member

The next meeting of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee will be held on Monday, 7 May 2012 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 Nedlands
30 April 2012

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Declaration of Opening

The Presiding Member will declare the meeting open at 5.30 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 – 3 October 2011

The Minutes of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee held on 3 October 2011 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 Sustainable Nedlands Committee Discussion Document – Goals for 2012/2013

Introduction

The City of Nedlands Sustainable Nedlands Committee (SNC) is established to advise the City on policies, programs and issues promoting sustainability in the City of Nedlands.

In a change in emphasis and with new members 2012 provides an opportunity for the City, Council and Community to engage collaboratively into achieving tangible goals.

This document is put forward as a discussion document for the possible format and way forward for the SNC for the next 12 months.

Historical Context

In 2011 the SNC and administration worked to create the Carbon Inventory & Management Report (Baseline). The current status of this report is that the baseline is being adjusted to include a broader scope for emissions reductions.

The aim of producing a Carbon Inventory Management Report is to create a baseline from which the City can meaningfully measure its baseline emissions and the recommendation arising from the completion of this plan is to develop an Energy and Water Reduction Plan.

1. 2012/13 - A Plan

It is proposed that the goal over the next 12 months is for the SNC to work towards assisting the City in identifying strategies to reduce its emissions. Such strategies will assist the City in not only reducing its current energy use to a target level but will take a strategic approach for the future in continuing to decrease where possible the City's energy use.

Whatever strategies are identified by the SNC it is clear that they will have to be relevant, achievable and measurable.

In discussions with the Acting Director Sustainable Infrastructure, it is recognised that there are 4 strategic areas for the SNC to work with:-

- i) Power
 - Street Lighting
- ii) Waste

- iii) Water Allocation & Use
 - City pressures
 - City's Capture of Water

- iv) Sustainable Building

Each subcommittee is charged with researching, identifying, assessing and developing potential strategies that could be potentially employed at the local level.

Each subcommittee could be guided by creating key questions to be answered:

Suggestions for Key Questions

- i) What are the current key issues of energy use in the strategic area (global issues)?
- ii) What are the up and coming challenges in the strategic area (national/local issues)?
- iii) What have other local governments done (or are planning) to do to address the key issues?
- iv) How is this relevant to the Nedlands context and how does it translate to Nedlands (if at all)?

Each subcommittee can meet/communicate informally outside the Sustainable Nedlands Committee meetings and report back on a bi-monthly basis.

Each subcommittee can co-opt experts to assist with some support from the City.

The Sustainable Nedlands Committee can monitor its own progress by peer evaluating proposed strategies at Sustainable Nedlands Committee meetings.

4. Goals & Timeframes and Outcomes

- a) Timeframe:

The timeframe would be for each subcommittee to come up with a strategy and/or strategies in its key area over the next 12 months.

- b) Goal:-

The goal is to create best practice informing strategies for the City to potentially implement.

c) Outcome:

The informing strategies may form part of the administrations report and recommendation to Council for adoption (or not). If adopted the incorporation of SNC's developed strategies into the Energy and Water Reduction Plan (s).

5. Repeat for the Next 12 months with newly identified strategic areas.

8. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of this Committee is scheduled for Monday, 2 July 2011 commencing at 7.00 pm.

Declaration of Closure

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

Andrew Melville
Acting Director Sustainable Infrastructure