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Community and Business Update - Canning City Centre A 10 year vision for jobs, homes and amenity

The City of Canning has committed to creating a vibrant City Centre – we say Perth's Southern CBD. This 10 year project – the City Centre Regeneration Program – will transform the area and create a robust environmental, social and economic platform providing a range of benefits to residents and local businesses.

The first three phases will assist to:

- Attract quality development and investment
- Improve lifestyle, employment, recreational and entertainment opportunities in Perth's middle ring and the fast-growing south-east corridor.

Over the next 30 years it is expected that the Canning City Centre will be home to up to 25,000 new residents, provide a large number of employment opportunities and create passive and active urban spaces for the community to enjoy.

What's New?

Delivering a revitalised Cecil Avenue

The City received subdivision approval for the road widening in December and the land acquisition and access agreements were signed in early January. This means that the City is looking to commence work in February for a two-stage approach to deliver the Cecil Avenue West Project.

Stage 1 – Service relocations

After a thorough evaluation period, Densford Civil Pty Ltd was identified as the successful tenderer to deliver the service relocations stage of works for the Cecil Avenue West project. Densford was notified of their successful tender in early January.

Please refer to www.yoursaycanning.com.au for an indicative timeframe for the future delivery of Cecil Avenue Stage 1 works.

A traffic management plan has been completed. Stage 1 works will be confined to the verge and are not expected to disrupt traffic flow on Cecil Avenue or Albany Highway. Works are scheduled to occur Monday – Saturday between 7am and 5pm. Works commence mid- February and are expected to last for ten weeks. To view the Traffic Management Plan visit www.yoursaycanning.com.au



The contact person for the contractor **Densford Civil** is **Peter Campbell**.
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Stage 2 – Roadwork and Landscaping

The City is currently advertising through a public tender process to deliver the second Stage of the Cecil Avenue West Project.

Please refer to **www.yoursaycanning.com.au** for an indicative timeframe for the future delivery of Cecil Avenue Stage 2 works.

The Cecil Avenue project will deliver the following:

- Dedicated bus lanes for public transport and improved bus shelter infrastructure
- Increased five metre wide verge widths to improve amenity, pedestrian and cyclist safety
- Improved pedestrian crossing facilities with a dedicated pedestrian phase at the new Pattie Street traffic signals
- Improved road safety and reduced traffic congestion through the construction of a raised median
- Improved street and footpath lighting
- Greatly increased verge and median landscaping with large trees to provide greater pedestrian shade and amenity
- Increased opportunity to attract and improve the development investment into the City Centre.

The vision for the entirety of Cecil Avenue is to create a platform to revitalise the City Centre into a tree-lined, high quality boulevard with the potential to develop vibrant street frontages that increase pedestrian traffic and incorporate alfresco dining options. The City will be liaising with residents and businesses who reside or trade in close proximity to Cecil Avenue during construction.

Lake Street Urban Stream

You may have heard that the City has sold Lot 141 Lake St, Cannington, to Georgiou Developments.

This is a key site within the Canning City Centre and Georgiou's vision for the development ties in with the City's overall vision for the City Centre project to create a strategic metropolitan centre. The site has now been subdivided into three lots which will foster high-density development incorporating retail and commercial components, in addition to providing diverse living options which cater to the City's diverse and multicultural community.

The Lake Street Urban Stream is located adjacent to the Georgiou site and is a key project of the Canning City Centre Regeneration Program.

The creation of the urban stream parkland for the community will increase the area's public amenity and provide a welcoming entry point to the Canning City Centre from the Cannington Bus/Train interchange station.

The Stream will incorporate the following amenities:

- Visible water, to be seen from the adjoining streets and the paths
- Path networks for passive recreation and connection to the water
- Places for people to pause, including seating, lawns and play spaces
- An abundance of trees, providing shade and reducing temperature differences around the stream, which will enhance biodiversity and water quality
- Maximised planting zones close to the water.

A workshop is scheduled mid-February between the projects stakeholders and the City.



Cecil Avenue artist impression



Lake Street Urban Stream artist impression

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Wharf Street Basin

The City has received \$1 million as part of the Smart Cities and Suburbs Program which will revitalise the Wharf Street Basin into a Next Generation Community Park. Currently a multifunction drain, the park will embrace smart design and smart technology to deliver opportunities for recreation and education and make improvements to natural systems.

We're thrilled to be partnering with Water Corporation, Department of Water and Environmental Regulation, Curtin University – Centre for Sport and Recreational Research, Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions, Innovation Central Perth/CISCO and Environmental Consultants Urbaqua to deliver this project.

A public tender was opened in mid-January for landscape architect and sub-consultant services for design of the basin. A tender briefing was undertaken with around nine consultancies attending. The tender closes late February. Once the consultant landscape architect and their sub-consultants are appointed a start-up meeting will occur with the project team.

Please refer to www.yoursaycanning.com.au for an indicative timeframe for the future delivery of the Wharf St Basin.

Southern Link Road (Stage 2)

An important project within the Canning City Centre is the construction of a section of the Southern Link Road between Grose Avenue and Grey Street. This work is funded by Scentre Group (Westfield Carousel Shopping Centre) and Bunnings, as a condition of their development applications approved in December 2014. The City is responsible for delivering the works.

A significant benefit of this section of the Southern Link Road project is that this new road link will provide Albany Highway access via traffic signals for residents in the vicinity of Station Street. It will also accommodate improved cycling and pedestrian movements from surrounding residential areas.

In the longer term, subject to environmental approvals being secured, the Southern Link Road will extend through to the Gerard Street Bridge which will change the traffic distribution with Station Street and Grey Street no longer being a through route.

Communication



The City commenced an engagement process with nearby businesses over a two day period, personally popping in to each business and leaving a copies of the Small Business Development Corporation's (SBDC) Guide for Small

Business When Preparing for Public Works and a Canning City Centre update brochure. The aim of this was to ensure an open negotiation process is maintained between the City and nearby businesses before the Cecil Avenue works commence.

In early December, the City sent out communication to all affected businesses, seeking expressions of interest to attend a free workshop titled Introduction to Digital Marketing. The aim of the workshop was to introduce ways to utilise digital marketing across a variety of platforms such as Google and other forms of social media (Facebook, etc.). The workshop did not proceed due to a lack of interest from businesses. However, the City will continue to engage with affected businesses through email, social and media updates.

Ongoing updates on the Canning City Centre project are available on the City's Your Say and regular websites –

www.yoursaycanning.com.au or www.canning.wa.gov.au/CCC

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Wharf Street Basin artist impression



Proposed Southern Link Road

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