

Planning and Development Industry Reference Group Minutes

Date:	11 April 2024	Start Time:	1pm	Location:	Cairns Regional Council Civic Reception Rooms
Meeting Chair:	Pat Flanagan				
Attendees:	Planning and Development Industry Reference Group Members: Gisela Jung, Greg Gould, Keith Savage, Kristy Gilvear, Lisa Mackee, Mark Conlan, Paul Steele, Nathan Lee Long, Stuart Ricketts, Sam Heckel (HIA proxy), Grace Lamberth, Gavin Allwood, Claire Simmons, Ed Johnson, Fleur Anderson				
Visitors:	Rob Wheeler - Stantec, Ellen Buttrose - CRC City Architect				
Apologies:	Andrew Prowse, Jacqui Sue Yek, Mayor Amy Eden, Brett Nancarrow, Mica Martin, Rodney Byl, Peter Fry				

#	Minutes	Actions
1	<p>Chair declared he had lodged a DA to Council and that any conflicts would be managed in accordance with the IRG Terms of Reference.</p> <p>Mini design charette led by Council's new City Architect, Ellen Buttrose</p> <p><i>District Centre Case Study, site in Edge Hill.</i> <i>This design led exercise aims to generate bold ideas on how we shape our city as it grows, to delve into the hypothetical and generate conversation on what could be considered by our industry in future, strategy, planning, and design.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short introduction of CRC's new City Architect and the scope of the new role. • The Design Charette for today is a workshop task to create a provocative vision of the regenerative potential for the site. In considering the cultural, economic, environmental, and social possibilities in what future typologies could work on this site? How would it be connected to existing and future neighbourhoods? How do we design for future resilience, and future economies? Could this be a catalyst for other opportunities in this area? • The purpose of the design charette is as an opportunity for blue sky thinking to consider the precinct and other similar district centres in terms of; 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Flood Hazards ○ Housing ○ Connectivity + Accessibility to surrounds ○ Biodiversity ○ Transport – pedestrian, micro mobility, cars ○ Community Services ○ Economy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● This is a high-level hypothetical exercise at a precinct level. The design charette and is not focusing on a specific for one lot or landholder, rather it is looking at what is possible to learn from considering a future district centre. <p>Commentary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Quality public realm is a critical issue to trigger and support higher density. Incentivise wanting to eat and live locally, bring back local shops for local services and employment. ● Roads should be considered as connectors not physical barriers between precincts. Precincts should straddle roads. ● Roads are an integral part of the public realm and become more important in providing amenity with higher density ● Flood is a big inhibitor in most areas of Cairns, which inhibits development. ● Suggest, removing minimum parking standards and promote alternate transport options such as ride share, micro mobility and public transport. Parking is too dominant in district centres. This also removes costs for developers. Social housing could have less carparking requirements. ● Encourage urban green towards streets. ● Consider resumption of land for SDA's and PDA's to promote development. ● Address climate adaption. 	
<p>2</p>	<p>Interim LGIP Amendment project update – Ed Johnson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Updated QGSO population projections. ● Slight change to the PIA boundary to include growth that has occurred outside of the PIA. ● The LGIP Interim Amendment is based on the current Planning Scheme which we know will be changing soon once the Towards2050 growth strategy is finalised. Currently identifying where the gaps are and developing plans to see that through. 	

3	Mt Peter Managing growth and Mt Peter – presentation from guest speaker Rob Wheeler, Stantec / IRG member discussion	
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