

MOTION and REPORT Governance and Priorities Committee

DATE: December 10 2014

SUBJECT: Motion to direct the City Manager to develop an internal strategic planning

process.

FROM: Mayor Lisa Helps

Introduction

My goal as Mayor is to build trust and good working relationships among Council members. As such, I come to all decisions with an open mind and a willingness to respond to feedback from Council and the public.

The initial proposal put forward for Strategic Planning (still attached for information and in the interests of transparency) was meant to bring an innovative approach to strategic planning in the City. The sole source proposal was meant to speed the process along so Council could set to work in a timely manner to complete a strategic plan by the end of February.

Having consulted with councillors, and, again, in the interests of timing, I propose that council direct the City Manager and his team to develop a strategic planning process for Council. I have spoken with the City Manager and he is confident that there are adequate in-house resources to accomplish a strategic plan that will meet the needs of Council and of the public.

Motion

That Council direct staff to develop and implement a strategic planning process that will result in a completed four-year Strategic Plan by the end of February 2014 with clear goals and deliverables.

Respectfully submitted

Mayor Helps