



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SISTER CITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

held on Thursday 28 March 2024 commencing at 5.30pm
in the Council Chambers, 43-51 Tanunda Road, Nuriootpa.

MINUTES

MAYOR LANGE WELCOMED MEMBERS TO THE MEETING AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
OF COUNTRY AND DECLARED THE MEETING OPEN AT 5.30PM

1. ATTENDANCE RECORD

1.1 Members Present

Jo Moen, Janine Harding, Rolf Binder, Rick Lane, Bill Simons, Matt Hale, Louise
Hickinbotham, Carol Dadds, Vanesa Lambert, Ingrid Day.

Apologies

Demi Henley, Scott Hazeldine and Jo Seabrook

Not Present

Michelle Swarz

Leave of Absence

Nil

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 Minutes of previous meetings – for confirmation:

2.2 Matters arising from previous minutes

Nil

3. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

- 3.1 Introduction to Grapevine, Texas
- 3.2 2023 Delegation Visit to Grapevine, Texas
- 3.3 Student Exchange Program
- 3.4 Overview of the Committee Meeting Procedures and Operating Procedures
- 3.5 Potential Barossa BBQ & Beer Festival with Live Music – Links to Grapevine Texas Themes

4. DEBATE REPORT

4.1 GRAPEVINE DELEGATION - BAROSSA VINTAGE FESTIVAL 2025 24/30143

MOVED Bill Simons

That Sister Cities Advisory Committee:

- (1) Support and actively participate in hosting a delegation from Grapevine, Texas during the Barossa Vintage Festival in April 2025; and
- (2) Commit to further engagement with the Barossa Vintage Festival Committee in ways in which we can work together to incorporate the objectives of the City to City Accord.

SECONDED Rick Lane

CARRIED SCACC/1

PURPOSE

To seek the Committee's endorsement to actively participate in hosting a delegation from Grapevine, Texas during the Barossa Vintage Festival in April 2025

REPORT

Background

The Barossa Council hosted a delegation of four from Grapevine, Texas during the Barossa Vintage Festival 2023. The program is outline in Attachment 1.

Since this hosting and the delegation of the Mayor and Jo Moen that visited their Grapefest in 2023, we have learning from these to

Discussion

Under Council's Sister City Relationships and Engagement Policy, Section 3.5 - Council Missions to Sister Cities of the Council will support a program of formal delegation missions for each of its Sister Cities on the following basis.

3.5.1. Any delegates, both inbound and outbound, will be supplemented by an

appropriate funding allocation in Council's annual budget.

- 3.5.2. The program will allow for an annual delegation (either incoming or outgoing) to be reciprocated to/by the partner City in the following financial year or at a later date. The program will be routinely reviewed by the Sister City Advisory Committee and a report submitted to Council as a means of assessing the outcomes of the missions and determining their value for the future.
- 3.5.3. Council will encourage all delegates (both inbound and outbound) to be supplemented with representatives who may be able to assist in furthering the objectives of these relationships.

We are currently seeking confirmation from Grapevine, Texas on their delegation to The Barossa Council during the Barossa Vintage Festival 2025. The Committee will play an integral in the successful hosting of our Sister City delegates with further details to be provided to the Committee members once available.

Events

The Committee will have an opportunity to develop events and activities during the Vintage Festival 2025 that promote our Sister City relationship with Grapevine and investigate ways in which the community can actively participate.

To look at ways to build connection and celebration of each other's unique cultural experiences and our communities.

Summary and Conclusion

The Committee is asked to discuss and provide support for future hosting opportunities from delegates of Grapevine, Texas and to support investigations into incorporating their visit with the Barossa Vintage Festival through their committee.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Attachment 1 Grapevine Visit 2023 - Itinerary 

Supporting references

Nil

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Community Plan



Business and Employment

Goal

11. The Barossa has a strong local economy that adapts, innovates and thrives on change and strives for a diverse industry base that provides a sustainable range of business and job opportunities for people.
12. We are a visitor destination of choice

Strategies

- 11.3. Promote the Barossa as a place for business's to thrive, invest, innovate, take measured risks and prosper.
- 12.2. Support economic development and destination awareness through events, festivals, creative enterprise and attractions.

Corporate Plan

- CS11 Events - Management of community development projects and events, including enquiries and logistics. Event management supporting a variety of internal service areas and community that support the delivery of successful, community focused events.

Legislative Requirements

Nil

FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Nil at this stage. More information will come in the lead up to the delegation's visit to the Barossa.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

It would be envisaged that the Committee would engage with the Barossa Vintage Festival Committee and Councils Community Liaison Partner to support the delegation through its events and formal engagements during April 2025.

4.2 FUTURE PLANNING

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Item 4.2 was deferred until the meeting scheduled for 23 May 2024.

5. CONFIDENTIAL AGENDA

Nil

6. URGENT OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

7. NEXT MEETING

Thursday 23 May 2024 at 5.30pm

8. CLOSURE

Mayor Lage declared the meeting closed at 7.14pm

Confirmed at Sister Cities Advisory Committee Meeting on 23 May 2024

Date:.....

Chairperson:.....