The business community has also been impacted heavily by the onslaught of the pandemic over these past months, with a range of business sectors - including retail shops, hospitality providers (restaurants, bars, cafes, nightclubs), tourism operators, accommodation, education and health services like gyms - required to close. Most small and medium sized businesses that could continue to operate had to reduce staff or at least staff hours. Many of these businesses reportedly face the risk of closure as they typically do not have the cash reserves to offset declining revenues experienced during COVID19. Many have also had to pivot business operations to the restrictions placed on their operations by the Federal or State Government (such as takeaways, home delivery, manufacturing new or different products etc). The reduction of available jobs and the reduction in the payment of wages will have flow-on impacts to households and cause major financial stress to many members in the community.

The Federal and State Governments have both announced a range of economic and support measures targeting the most heavily affected business sectors. Economic initiatives are aimed at getting cash to businesses to help them keep their employees in jobs. A range of measures have also focused on household income through to JobKeeper and JobSeeker payments, rental assistance and other family tax benefits.

Like many other local governments, the City has adopted its own targeted economic relief and stimulus package to provide immediate support. Some of the elements of this package included, amongst other things, a freeze in increases in municipal rates and charges, no fees and charges relating to inspection services for small business for the next three months, suspension of lease and rental payments for three months to all City of Perth tenants leasing City-owned property, including the relinquishment of bank guarantees, reduced payment terms for creditors from 30 to 15 days and enacted a $10 flat-rate all day parking across each of our 34 CPP car park and free on street parking.

The Inner Perth Local Governments (Perth, Vincent, Subiaco, Victoria Park and South Perth) have collaborated to share learnings and insights during this period. The City has also been actively involved with weekly Capital City Council Lord Mayor (CCCLM) and CCCLM CEO meetings. The CCCLM CEO group is collaborating to develop a list of ‘shovel-ready’ projects that can be considered for Federal funding as part of the Commonwealth Government’s Economic Stimulus package. It is anticipated that some of the projects identified for WA will get support through this initiative.

The purpose of an Economic Rebound Strategy is to support Perth’s community and businesses over the next three years, with a strong return to economic performance. Through the implementation of this strategy alongside the community, the City of Perth will aim to make it easier to do business in Perth, cut red tape and improve community outcomes.

Informed by key stakeholders, this strategy provides clarity on the City’s activities that will be delivered to ensure the community, local business as well as visitors have the best opportunity to thrive in a landscape that has been altered significantly.

An Advisory Committee structure is recommended for ongoing collaboration and feedback from various sectors of the business community to ensure that the City delivers on these stakeholder expectations.

The City of Perth Strategic Community Plan 2019-2029 identifies six community aspirations, each supported by objectives that guide the City in achieving these aspirations. All six of these community aspirations are supported by the implementation of this strategy.
Strategic Community Plan
VISION: VIBRANT, CONNECTED, PROGRESSIVE

1 People
A safe, activated and welcoming city that celebrates its diversity and sense of community, providing unique educational, cultural, sporting and lifestyle offerings.

2 Place
A well-planned and functional built form environment, promoting world class architecture, appreciation of heritage, diversity of land use and a sustainable, affordable and accessible integrated transport system.

3 Planet
A city that respects, protects and fosters its natural environment, embraces the principles of sustainability and acknowledges the impacts of our changing climate.

4 Prosperity
A city with a diverse and resilient economy capitalising upon its unique competitive advantages and creative reputation, attracting sustainable investment in education, tourism, entertainment, commerce, technology and trade.

5 Performance
A city led by a Council and supported by an administration that is committed to sound strategy and governance, excellence in customer service and effective and sincere engagement with all stakeholders.

6 Partnership
A City that has earned the respect and support of the local industry through strong partnerships with state bodies, industry and community groups and other key stakeholders.
Help get Perth back up and running. Ease the community, businesses and City staff into the new ‘normal’ way of life; whereby people enjoy this great capital city safely. This will involve:

- Enhancing cleaning practices
- Making it easy to do business
- Helping people feel safe
- Addressing homelessness and rough sleeping through key partnerships
- Supporting, marketing and promoting industry sectors and business success stories
- Returning vibrancy to the city

Innovate alongside our community and stakeholders to revive Perth as a destination of choice to visit, live, play, work, invest or study in. Then maximise this collaboration through continued engagement with stakeholders so City services, business support, activities and events meet mutual expectations.

Seek continued improvement by asking for, listening to and acting on stakeholder feedback and evaluation of the activities undertaken. Keep delivering services that are valued by our community and respond to changing needs of our stakeholders by recalibrating activities that no longer meet these needs.
Built a responsive Task Force

In response to the declared emergency on 19 March 2020, the City activated its Crisis Coordination Incident Team (CCIT) as required under its Emergency Management Plan. The purpose of the Task Force was to:

- Quickly respond to information as it was released by the Department of Health as the State’s Hazard Management Agency.
- Safeguard the health and wellbeing of the community, visitors, businesses and City staff and volunteers.

Actions included closing City facilities such as the iCity Kiosk, Citiplace Community Centre, Citiplace Rest Centre, Perth Town Hall and the City of Perth Library. The City’s Child Care Centre remained open to support essential workers to continue to work.

Established plans and took action

The City developed and implemented a Business Continuity Plan (BCP). The plan gave some level of stability to the people of Perth during these unprecedented times. It ensured essential services continued while new initiatives were put into place in response to quickly changing community needs. The Plan included a skills assessment across the City’s staff to guide the redeployment of people where required.

Fiscal governance

Detailed financial modelling was performed to understand the impact of lost income on the City. Cost savings were achieved through the reduction of discretionary operating projects, with focus placed on essential services and the delivery of COVID19 recovery initiatives. All vacant staff positions were not filled. Efforts were focused on providing a balanced budget through such savings and through borrowings, reserve funds and grants.

Forward-looking planning

A set of future scenarios was developed to ensure the City considers different possibilities of how the pandemic could impact Perth. These can be seen in Appendix 1. No one scenario will be exactly Perth’s future, but the elements of each scenario should be considered when testing the robustness of any City strategies and identified actions for the future.
Economic stimulus of $18 million provided

The package constituted, amongst other things, the following:

- A freeze in an increase in the overall yield of municipal rates and charges, including sanitation and waste charges
- No fees and charges relating to inspection services for small business for the next three months
- Suspension of lease and rental payments for three months to all City of Perth tenants
- Express service for change of land use and development applications for small business and no application fee
- Accelerated capital works projects and major city maintenance programs
- A full refund on all cancelled bookings at City properties or facilities
- Shorter payment terms for creditors, reduced from 30 days to 15 days
- Debtors experiencing hardship given a range of options to assist in payment
- A $10 flat-rate all day parking across all 34 CPP car parks
- On street parking meters switched off throughout the City’s boundary
- Continued coordination of accredited homelessness services and launch of temporary mobile food provision
- Established a vulnerable persons’ database and launched the City of Perth Community Careline
- Established COVID19 Quick Response Community Grants for organisations to deliver vital projects and services
- Expanded assertive outreach services for three months
- Provided expanded SafeCity Patrol to ensure a safe community environment through increased presence
- Provided access to computer terminals at the City of Perth Library to vulnerable people
- Home deliveries of library books to vulnerable people
- Continued to provide our community with child care services, particularly for essential workers
- Fast tracked key Infrastructure projects (Wellington and Roe Streets) to stimulate local economy
- Employed the services of Business Foundations to assist small and medium business in the City with up to three hours of free one-on-one confidential business sessions focusing on Federal and State assistance eligibility, cash flow modeling, pivoting business operations, marketing etc.
The impact of COVID19 on Perth

It is estimated that Perth is likely to experience a decline of up to 11% in GDP during 2020; significantly more than the national average of 6.7%. This will mainly be attributed to the loss of tourism spending, the closure of cafes, bars and restaurants, which are dependent on office workers, and the effective closure of these major retail centres\(^1\). Projections are that Perth’s economy will bounce back fairly quickly as office workers and domestic visitors return to the city when restrictions lift. Economic activity in the cultural, accommodation and education sector was also significantly impacted from March 2020. The loss of higher education income from reduced international student numbers could slow the recovery process. The rate of economic recovery is also highly dependent on variables such as when social distancing restrictions are lifted, the scale of possible ‘second round’ impacts, when international migration returns and the timing of policy responses to stimulate the economy after restrictions lift.

Perth’s entertainment areas have been the hardest hit with March activity in the city 19% lower than the previous year and April only 43% of its 2019 levels. The City’s parking data indicated substantial reductions in patronage, both on street and off street since the start of the pandemic. April patronage numbers have seen a decrease of 91,000 motorists parking in the city - a 77% reduction. During the first week of May, a small increase in activity could be seen in the areas where the City’s WIFI counters are based:

![Graph showing City of Perth parking data](image)

The current climate has had a huge impact on businesses, with businesses reporting to be facing the threat of imminent closure. It is anticipated by CBD stakeholders that potentially as many as 30% of the current cohort in the CBD could cease to operate or leave. Such an exodus could possibly trigger a major reset of rents. The business environment, through Activate Perth and other community groups such as West Perth local and East Perth Community Group, is currently lobbying for the accumulated $130 million parking levy to be re-applied to assist the CBD during this time.

A rough sleeper count conducted on 17 March 2020 indicated there are at least 272 people sleeping rough within the City of Perth (this number did not include people in crisis accommodation or hospital emergency on the night of the count). The COVID-19 crisis will disproportionately affect those that are currently homeless or at risk of homelessness as they have an increased risk of exposure and a greater likelihood of severe cases and mortality. The economic impact of COVID-19 and responses to it places many Australians at risk of homelessness.

COVID-19 has presented challenges in continuation of services to people experiencing homelessness, particularly the ability to meet the needs of the rough sleeper community. Continuing changes to social distancing and operational practises have significantly impacted the ability to deliver the same level of services. These services were already stretched to capacity prior to COVID-19. Services most greatly impacted include; food relief, medical services, assertive outreach services, day centres, accommodation and donations.

\(^1\) Covid-19 and bushfires. The economic impact on your suburb and pathways to recovery. SGS Economic and Planning, 24 April 2020
The purpose of an Economic Rebound Strategy is to support the community and businesses over the next three years with the return to sustainable economic performance that is even better than before COVID-19. A ‘building back better’ approach will be achieved through programs that embrace the community’s health and wellbeing, financial support and sponsorships, activation and events, business support and investment attraction initiatives. Ongoing communication and marketing would also be required to spread the word that Perth is ‘open for business’. Key to ongoing success is the City’s partnerships with its Federal, State and local Government counterparts.

The City sought the feedback of its key stakeholders on what is required to assist with the rebound of Perth’s economy. Close to 250 surveys were sent to individuals representing tourism, hotels, property, arts, culture, retail, hospitality and the community. A total of 74 valid responses were returned with feedback. This gives a 30 per cent response rate, which is well within the statistical requirements for a trustworthy sample. This is particularly appreciated, especially since feedback from stakeholders is that they are satisfied with the level of consultation. It is now time to jump into action.

6

Identified Actions for our Key Strategic Objectives

6.1. RETURN AND RECOVER

Help get Perth back up and running. Ease the community, businesses and City staff into the new ‘normal’ way of life; whereby people enjoy this great capital city safely.

Table 1: Actions identified under the strategic objective ‘Return and Recover’

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<td>Lead and coordinate local recovery under State Emergency Management legislation (see coordination structure in Appendix 2)</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>Community Development</td>
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<td>Procurement arrangements to provide certainty for key cultural suppliers and contractors that will benefit the city's rebound</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>Corporate Services</td>
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<td>Flexible approach to arts and cultural sponsorship variations to allow the cultural sector to postpone or reimagine sponsored activities</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>Community Development</td>
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<td>Free online professional development webinars for creative industries to help them with upskilling and pivoting their business models</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>Community Development</td>
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<tr>
<td>Independent and confidential business advisory services through Business Foundations to assist local business access Federal and State support packages, provide cash flow modelling and advice on business operations in the C-19 environment</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>Planning and Economic Development (ED)</td>
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<td>Development of the community engagement and support digital space, Visit Perth Online</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>Community Development</td>
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<tr>
<td>Approval of numerous Quick Response Small Business COVID19 Response Grants and Business Improvement Grants by the City to businesses to pivot their service delivery and to support rebound and recovery, eg. Whippersnapper, Thompsons of West Perth, Bodysmart Health Solutions, Cribb Lane, Moana Hall</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>Planning and Economic Development</td>
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<tr>
<td>COVID19 recovery marketing campaign that Perth is open for business. Proof points will include the CBD is safe, clean, stores are reopening, free or discounted parking offers, expanded security and cleaning etc</td>
<td>May and June 2020</td>
<td>CEO</td>
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<td>Enhanced street level vibrancy through a variety of window decal designs on empty tenancies, the East Perth ‘Tunnel of Hope’, Flower Bombing in Malls and Digital Walking Trails, mall scaping (art pieces, fairy lights in trees, lighting of heritage buildings), signage in Northbridge to ’announce’ the precinct for visitors and streetscaping on Moore street</td>
<td>May and June 2020</td>
<td>Infrastructure and Operations and Community Development</td>
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<td>Participate with Inner Perth Local Governments for a Greater Perth Small Business Recovery Conference in October 2020</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>CEO</td>
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<td>Engage educational institutions and students to assist local retail spending and add to street level vibrancy</td>
<td>June to Dec 2020</td>
<td>Planning and Economic Development</td>
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<td>Enhanced and visible cleaning practices through redeployed staff and the installation of hand sanitisers</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>Infrastructure and Operations</td>
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<td>Increased security patrols to create a sense of safety</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>Community Development</td>
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<td>Assertive outreach services to support people sleeping rough</td>
<td>May and June 2020</td>
<td>Community Development</td>
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<td>City Ambassadors throughout the CBD to welcome visitors to the city</td>
<td>May and June 2020</td>
<td>Community Development</td>
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<td>Permits for outdoor dining offered at no cost via a fast-tracked web-based self-accreditation process and no fees associated with utilizing the footpath as an extension to indoor areas</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>Community Development</td>
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<td>Waiving of fees and charges associated with Food Premise Licence Fees, other Inspectororial Licence Fees, change of Land Use Fees and small Business Development/Planning Fees (when the estimated cost of development is under $500,000)</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>Planning and ED, Community Development</td>
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<td>Engage local developers on strategic sites to assist with achieving residential density targets that will support retail in the city</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>Planning and ED</td>
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6.2. RE-INVENT AND REVIVE

_Innovate alongside our community and stakeholders to revive Perth as a destination of choice to visit, live, play, work, invest or study in. Then maximise this collaboration through continued engagement with stakeholders so City services, activities and events meet mutual expectations._

Investment in events and other arts and cultural activities are critical to ensure Perth is ready to welcome people back to the city once restrictions on large gatherings have been relaxed. Grants for events and activations will provide cash and in-kind support for those with widespread appeal that create a feeling of safety and vibrancy within the city, encourage people to support local businesses, and enhance the city’s reputation as a great place to be.

There has been an 88 per cent drop in pedestrian numbers in the city compared to this time last year. Events and festivals are one way the City can attract people back into Perth and support the hospitality, retail and tourism sectors. City grants will help to build capacity within the struggling events and cultural sectors, with the aim of emerging from this crisis more resilient than before, creating an ‘always something on in the city’ perception that attracts visitors and is supported by residents. Each year, events supported by the City’s Arts and Events Sponsorship and Grants programs attract on average in excess of four million people to Perth and deliver an economic impact of more than $200 million.

The City’s Commissioners have earmarked an amount of $20.1 million for the 2020/2021 financial year with the purpose of allocating these funds to discretionary projects that would re-invent and revive Perth.

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<th>Allocation for Discretionary projects</th>
<th>2020/2021</th>
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<td>$ 20.1 million</td>
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### 6.2. RE-INVENT AND REVIVE (CONTINUED)

Table 3: Actions identified to achieve strategic objective ‘Re-invent and Revive’

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<td>Stakeholder consultation to determine programs, projects, events and activities that embrace the community’s health and wellbeing, financial support and sponsorships, activation and events, business support and investment attraction initiatives <em>(outcomes follow in Table 4)</em></td>
<td>Completed</td>
<td>Recovery Coordination Group</td>
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<tr>
<td>Develop a list of programs, projects, events and activities that will be covered under the allocated $18 million for discretionary projects, as identified through stakeholder engagement <em>(see proposed list in Table 4)</em></td>
<td>Completed</td>
<td>Recovery Coordination Group</td>
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| Establish a three-fold Advisory Committee structure for the City to consult key stakeholders on an ongoing basis over the next 12 months regarding their requirements for Recovery and Rebound in the city:  
  - Marketing and Promotion Advisory Committee  
  - City Amenity *(incl. Cleanliness, Homelessness, Community Safety)* Advisory Committee  
  - Events, Culture and the Arts Advisory Committee | May 2020                     | Recovery Coordination Group                    |
| Proceed with monthly Advisory Committee meetings *(see composition of each Committee in Appendix 3 and Terms of Reference in Appendix 4)* | June 2020 to June 2021       | Recovery Coordination Group                    |
| Proceed with Advocacy on a State and Federal level eg. City Deal, Homelessness etc.                                        | Ongoing                       | CEO                                           |
| Review and optimise the City’s core services                                | Dec 2020                      | All                                           |
| Fast-track and implement shovel ready projects and submit for Federal funding through the CCCLM collaborative application process *(see list in Table 5)* | ASAP                          | Infrastructure and Operations, Planning and ED |
| Identify options to assist the Hotel industry and market the City’s hotels for overnight and weekend stays                  | Ongoing                       | Planning and ED, Corporate Services and CEO    |
Table 4: Priorities for programs, projects, events and activities as identified through stakeholder engagement, and indicated with proposed allocation as part of the $18 million allocation

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<tr>
<th>Prioritisation of projects as per the Stakeholder Feedback: Keep doing / Do more</th>
<th>Cost allocation</th>
<th>Keep doing / Do more</th>
<th>Do Less / Don't do</th>
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<tr>
<td>Cleaning and presentation of the city</td>
<td>$1,000,000</td>
<td>71</td>
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<tr>
<td>Support and advocacy for people experiencing or at risk of homelessness; including the co-ordination of services and support networks</td>
<td>$1,905,000</td>
<td>70</td>
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<td>Programs and initiatives for young people and youth at risk</td>
<td>$100,000</td>
<td>69</td>
<td>7</td>
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<tr>
<td>Security, surveillance and community safety programs for the city</td>
<td>$1,200,000</td>
<td>68</td>
<td>6</td>
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<tr>
<td>Grants for small to medium businesses to help them survive and rebound after the pandemic</td>
<td>$1,040,000</td>
<td>67</td>
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<td>Marketing campaign to support retail sector</td>
<td>Incl. in Marketing budget</td>
<td>65</td>
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<td>Marketing campaign to support small business sector</td>
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<tr>
<td>Programs and initiatives for families and children</td>
<td>$980,000</td>
<td>64</td>
<td>10</td>
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<tr>
<td>Grants to support arts and cultural sector rebound and recovery</td>
<td>$1,400,000</td>
<td>63</td>
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<td>Marketing of Perth as a visitor destination</td>
<td>Incl. in Marketing budget</td>
<td>61</td>
<td>13</td>
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<tr>
<td>Marketing campaign to promote Perth as safe and open</td>
<td>$2,800,000</td>
<td>61</td>
<td>13</td>
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<tr>
<td>Grants to support third-party activation and events post COVID19</td>
<td>$1,250,000</td>
<td>60</td>
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<td>Perth Home Grown Markets</td>
<td>$50,000</td>
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<td>Twilight Hawkers Markets</td>
<td>$50,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Grants for community groups and programs</td>
<td>$65,000</td>
<td>58</td>
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<td>School holiday events</td>
<td>Incl. in Programs for Families</td>
<td>58</td>
<td>16</td>
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<td>Marketing of Perth as a business investment destination</td>
<td>Incl. in Marketing budget</td>
<td>58</td>
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<td>Grants to neighbourhood groups to support grass roots initiatives</td>
<td>$80,000</td>
<td>57</td>
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<tr>
<td>Capacity building initiatives for community organisations and groups</td>
<td>$100,000</td>
<td>57</td>
<td>17</td>
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<tr>
<td>Grants to support lane-way activation and upgrades and locational precinct improvements</td>
<td>$240,000</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>19</td>
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<tr>
<td>Grants for building improvement projects (e.g. Heritage Building, Adaptive Reuse, Underutilised space and Business Improvement Grants)</td>
<td>$270,000</td>
<td>54</td>
<td>20</td>
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<td>Christmas Lights Trail/similar significant post COVID19 activation trail</td>
<td>$1,000,000</td>
<td>52</td>
<td>22</td>
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<tr>
<td>Business development and support workshops and sessions</td>
<td>$150,000</td>
<td>52</td>
<td>22</td>
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<tr>
<td>City managed activations in key retail precincts</td>
<td>Incl. in Programs for Families</td>
<td>51</td>
<td>23</td>
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<td>New Year’s Eve</td>
<td>$415,000</td>
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<td>Christmas Nativity</td>
<td>Incl. in Christmas Lights Trail</td>
<td>39</td>
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<td>Australia Day Celebrations</td>
<td>$220,000</td>
<td>34</td>
<td>40</td>
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<td>Christmas decorations, other recovery actions, East End Revitalisation etc</td>
<td>$3,685,000</td>
<td>34</td>
<td>40</td>
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<tr>
<td>Australia Day Celebrations</td>
<td>$2,000,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Forrest Place Concerts</td>
<td>$300,000</td>
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<td>New Years Eve celebration</td>
<td>$415,000</td>
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Total Operating Project expenditure for 2020/2021: $20,115,000
### Table 5: Shovel ready projects that have been submitted for Federal funding through the CCCLM collaborative application

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<th>Project name/description</th>
<th>Total Project Cost</th>
<th>Potential construction start date</th>
<th>Potential construction end date</th>
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<tr>
<td>City of Perth Safe City Project (Lighting and CCTV upgrade)</td>
<td>$23M</td>
<td>June</td>
<td>Mid 21</td>
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<tr>
<td>Road Network, Footpath and Stormwater Drainage Capital Renewal Program 2020/21 (18 road segments, 64 footpath segments, 6 drainage pipe segments and 2800 gully pit lid replacements to increase cyclist safety)</td>
<td>$24.5M</td>
<td>May</td>
<td>Mid 21</td>
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<tr>
<td>Perth Convention Centre Renewal</td>
<td>$25M</td>
<td>August</td>
<td>Mid 21</td>
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<tr>
<td>Riverside Drive Resignment</td>
<td>$4M</td>
<td>September</td>
<td>Mid 21</td>
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<tr>
<td>City of Perth Safe City Project (Bollard Protection)</td>
<td>$0.5M</td>
<td>June</td>
<td>July 20</td>
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6.3. RECALIBRATE AND REPEAT

Seek continued improvement by asking for, listening to and acting on stakeholder feedback. Keep delivering services that are valued by our community and respond to changing needs of our stakeholders by recalibrating activities that no longer meet these needs.

Table 6: Actions identified under the Strategic Objective ‘Recalibrate and Repeat’

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<td>Ongoing monthly meetings with the Advisory Committees to determine areas of success, areas for improvement, and other additional requirements</td>
<td>Monthly from June 2020 to June 2021</td>
<td>Recovery Coordination Group</td>
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<td>Perform six-monthly survey to determine overall levels of success with the implemented programs, projects, events and activities</td>
<td>Six monthly, starting Nov 2020</td>
<td>Recovery Coordination Group</td>
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<tr>
<td>Re-adjust planning of programs, projects, events and activities, based on feedback received</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>Recovery Coordination Group</td>
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<td>Track footfall data to determine success of the marketing of the programs / events / activities</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>Planning and Economic Development</td>
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<td>Track feedback following every program / event / activity to determine its rate of success</td>
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- Parking business down to significantly lower income
- Current situation requires use of Reserve Funds, Borrowings, Reduction of Operating Costs

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- Degree of regulation in the future
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- Level of intrastate tourism within WA
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FOUR FUTURE SCENARIOS (0 - 3 YEARS)

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- Online becomes a way of doing life less demand for counter shops and in location experiences

**COMMUNITY TO THE RESCUE**

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COUNCIL
CEO
Local recovery coordination group (internal)

COMMUNITY AND CORPORATE RECOVERY (OPERATIONAL)
Corporate Recovery Plan
Internal Coordination with Alliance Managers
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Community Recovery Plan

ECONOMIC REBOUND (STRATEGIC)
Advise and Monitor Progress Reporting and Comms
Marketing and Promotion Advisory Committee
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