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Dear Mr Vincent

**RE: VICTORIA PARK-CANNING LEVEL CROSSING REMOVAL PROJECT – LEASEABLE SPACE OPPORTUNITIES**

Thank you for your letter on 12 May 2022 proposing details of an arrangement to manage and maintain new public open space within the rail corridor following the completion and establishment of the Victoria Park-Canning Level Crossing Removal Project (LXR Project). We recognise the significant public transport benefits of the project, but also the community benefits of the proposed landscaping improvements to the rail corridor.

Your letter provides a response to the Town regarding 'future leasable spaces'. This a matter we have been interested to explore since the commencement of the LXR Project.

We are pleased that the LXR Project is making provision for power to facilitate food trucks, market and general activation of the new public spaces. Given this capability, we would like to discuss the following matters in detail with the LXR team, noting also that Council resolution 50/2022 requires substantive information listed in my letter dated [March 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting] to be provided prior to considering any further decision in this matter:

- What authority will the Town have to plan and enact the activation of the new public spaces?
- What will be the role (if any) of the Public Transport Authority in authorising proposed activations?
- Will the Town's current Local Laws and Policies be able to apply to the newly formed public spaces?
- A clear identification of the future limits of Local Government authority within these specific areas including but not limited to matters such as:
  - Approvals for development (i.e. future public toilets, or playground that the Town

- identifies as being necessary);
- Approvals/permits for activities such as events and gatherings; and
  - Any approvals required for renewal works.
- What are the access arrangements to power, water and sewerage likely to be?
  - METRONET's preferred activation of the new public spaces.
  - The potential for modular structures that are semi-permanent which might be used commercial/retail uses in addition to food trucks and markets. This could include modified shipping containers or similar modular builds that are able to be opened to further activate the public space and closed when are not in use.
  - An understanding of the legal and commercial framework possible for leasable spaces. The ability for the Town to grant long leases will facilitate (and may be critical to) the attraction of private investment into activation of these public spaces or any commercial/retail opportunities in the modular structures mentioned above;
  - Are there any place management agreements that would need to be created to govern this relationship? If so, who would be responsible for preparing them?
  - Are any of the proposed public spaces off limits to leasing?

Thank you for your consideration of these matters in further detail and your commitment to working with the Town collaboratively on this project. We value the productive and healthy relationship our organisations have fostered and understand the importance of working together in good faith for the benefit of our community.

If you wish to contact me, please do not hesitate to call me on 08 9311 8111 or email [admin@vicpark.wa.gov.au](mailto:admin@vicpark.wa.gov.au)

Yours sincerely



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