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**SECRA AGM 21 October at the Box Factory Community Centre: Meet the Candidates for the ACC election.**

*Nominations for the SECRA committee (4 positions) will be taken from 9 September.*

*Secretary Heather Nimmo will be overseas from 27 July to 12 October. Please contact Chairperson John Underwood (82232418) while Heather is away.*

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1. **Briefings by Mr Jason Allen, CEO Clipsal 500 and Brian Gleeson Events Manager, to ACC Councillors ( 31 May) and also to the Adelaide Park Lands Authority (24 June).**

Your committee has been meeting Mr Allen and Mr Gleeson before and after the car race for the last two years. We were interested to hear what Mr Allen had to say to Councillors (two of whom are on the South Australian Motor Sport Board: Councillors Wong and Hayward), and to APLA.

Mr Allen spoke of the many benefits of the car race (in 2009 it provided 65,000 bed nights; television transmission to 700 million people; total economic benefit to SA \$251 million). He looks for any opportunity to reduce costs. He works with local residents (mentioning SECRA) to reduce inconvenience and disruption.

**To the Councillors**

- Mr Allen asked for another \$25,000 in sponsorship (in addition to the amount of \$50,000 they were already receiving from Council.) They will also be receiving another \$75,000 sponsorship through a deal with the Rundle Mall Authority.
- It is likely that the 2010 event will return a deficit (as happened in 2009 and 2008)
- The event has lost some corporate sponsorship (eg Holden)
- It isn't certain that Skyshow will return in 2011. The event wasn't fully sponsored.

**From the Councillors**

- It was suggested that money (\$15,000) could be saved by having only one ACC Councillor on the SAMSB. Mr Allen said that as he wasn't on the SAMSB he couldn't make any comment.
- Councillors said they had plans for Victoria Park which had to be put on hold for the six months of set-up and take down. Mr Allen said there was a fixed order for vacating Park Lands: Park 14, Park 15, CBC and PAC ovals, Park 16.
- Councillors also pointed out the lost revenue for the Council due to road closures and lost parking spots.
- It was suggested that Mr Allen could offer contractors incentives to get out of the Park Lands by a certain time.

**To APLA**

- Mr Allen responded to questions sent to him, at his request, before the presentation.
- Mr Allen responded to a series of questions about the 6 months occupation of the Park Lands from Mr Frank Blevins by stating that the set-up and take-down couldn't be done any quicker *even if he had unlimited resources*. (He pointed out that this year they were a week ahead of schedule).
- Mr Allen was asked whether the take down took so long "out of spite". Mr Allen felt that the question did not deserve an answer. Mayor Harbison said this was a "reasonable" question.
- When he was asked why so few people seemed to be working on site Mr Allen stated that there were such things as rostered days off, Union regulations, Health and Safety issues involving cranes.

- When asked about moving the contractors' camp away from residential areas Mr Allen said that they couldn't do that until they knew the ACC plans for the Park in regard to sewage, lighting. **Does this mean that they will move the contractors' camp into the old SAJC stables area as we have been suggesting?**

### **Dog-walkers and Dunkirk**

And on the subject of **Victoria Park** there seems to be a sneering tone adopted by some commentators towards dog-walkers in the Park. The latest is Sam Orr in *The Adelaide Review*. We would like to inform Mr Orr that there is one dog-walker (who also happens to be a SECRA member) who spent the years 1939-45 in the Royal Navy and who, as Medical Officer on the destroyer *Javelin*, took hundreds of men off the beach at Dunkirk.

Because the ship was so overloaded the order was given that only three men could move around the ship, **Don Sidey** as Medical Officer, being one of the three. Don says he will never forget the sight of the thousands of men waiting on the beach dropping to the ground when enemy planes went overhead. He said it looked like a wind blowing through a field of wheat. On a lighter note, the *Javelin* escorted the King of Norway and the country's gold to safety. Each gold bar took two men to lift it (deliberately). Don had to treat one of the crew who skinned his nose tripping over one of the gold bars in the dark.

## **2. SECRA submission to the ACC Budget and Business Plan 2010-11**

SECRA responded to specific items in the Budget but we also made some more general observations: **(ACC response in bold)**

- we would like to know what projects depend on State, Federal or private funding.
- we support the redevelopment of Victoria Square (with the retention of areas where people can sit in shady areas) and would like to see a commitment from the State Government.
- we support efforts to increase the population of the City but would encourage developments that are family-friendly rather than those that concentrate on the building of investment properties (that can remain empty for much of the year).
- families, generally, do not support extended hours for hotels and clubs in residential areas.
- we support increased funding for improvements to heritage buildings and streetscapes. Some of this funding could be used to help dispel the myth that protecting heritage has negative economic consequences for owners. **All owners of heritage buildings are invited to apply for grants.**
- we would like increases to horticultural services so that existing street plantings of shrubs and trees could be adequately maintained. The plantings at Angas Street/Hutt Street are much neglected. **A review is going to be undertaken to assess the maintenance associated with street plantings and the opportunities to establish new and replacement plantings within the south east.**
- in previous submissions to previous budgets we have asked for improvements to footpaths, street lighting and maintenance of street plantings in our area. **An audit may possibly be investigated.**
- we support requests by residents in Corryton, Gladstone and Carrington Streets for new plantings in no-standing zones incorporating "protuberances" into the street. We believe that the Council should support efforts by residents to look after their neighbourhood.
- we would like more trees planted to provide shade for pedestrians e.g. in Halifax Street between Hutt and Pulteney there are gaps that need to be filled.
- we want existing street trees (in particular those in Gladstone Street) retained. We deplore a "risk management" culture that advocates the cutting down of street trees in case someone at some time in the future should decide to sue for some possible damage to their property.
- we believe that narrow streets with narrow footpaths (such as Vincent street/Vincent Lane) should be a priority for undergrounding of power lines (and removal of stobie poles). These footpaths are not wheelchair/gopher/pram-friendly. **Council continues to implement lighting projects in the City**
- we support the replacement of the 16-seater Connector bus with a 24-seater bus. The Connector Bus service is well patronized by residents and the larger bus makes it possible for the elderly and the disabled to better use the service. We noted last year that the universities provide an afternoon bus for their students but not one in the morning and this causes problems for others trying to use the service.
- we suggest that Council investigate applying a speed limit of 30kmph in residential streets in our area.
- Hutt Street is an arterial road but it is also the centre of a residential shopping area. We suggest a speed limit of 40kmph on Hutt Street. **DTEI determines speed limits.**
- we support the proposed pedestrian refuge at Carrington Street/Hutt Street.

- we are pleased that the Council is addressing the issue of noise generated by events in the Park Lands. We ask that the current Noise Management Incentive Scheme be available to residents living near Park Lands as well as those bothered by noise from more permanent sources of noise. **The scheme is available to all those experiencing noise from an external source.**
  - we support funding of the Box Factory Community Centre which provides an excellent service to our community in helping to support and create social capital.
  - we have found the services of the Community Development Officer for our area very useful in helping our organisation interact more successfully with Council.
- 3. ACC Properties (not in the Park Lands) Proposed Community Land Management Plans. Submissions close 5.00pm Monday 26 July 2010**

These 24 properties included carparks, toilets, community housing and gardens and the Town Hall. For more information consult the ACC website or ring the ACC. There are only 2 or 3 sites in our area.

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