

Mr Robert Farley
City of Perth
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17th April 2015

Dear Mr Farley,

Perth Parking Policy

The Property Council of Australia commends the City of Perth for taking the initiative to rescind Planning Policy 5.3 – Perth Parking Policy and align Planning Policy 5.1 – Parking with the State Government's Parking Policy.

The Property Council of Australia is the peak body representing the property sector. Our members include the broad spectrum of businesses that own, develop and manage property, as well as, businesses that provide key services to the sector.

The Property Council supports the removal of policy duplications as in this instance, which serves to prevent inconsistencies arising between the two policies as they are updated and changed separately overtime.

Despite the City of Perth deferring to the State Government's Perth Parking Policy here, as is appropriate, the Property Council trusts that this will not prevent the City of Perth from opposing any effort by the State Government to expand the Perth Parking License levy area to include neighbouring areas in the City of Vincent, Burswood and QEII as has been speculated, unless the levy is substantially lowered for the Perth CBD and the new lower levy is regulated to only rise by CPI.

The Property Council would also trust that the City of Perth would join its call for the State Government to account for the expenditure of parking license fee revenue and prepare a strategy on the expenditure. It is crucial that the revenue is used to reduce congestion in the Perth CBD and enhance its public transport offerings.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please contact Rebecca Douthwaite at 9426 1203 or at rdouthwaite@propertycouncil.com.au.

Kind regards,

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Executive Director