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I write to advise that under section 73(2)(b)(i) of the *Planning, Development, and Infrastructure Act 2016* (the Act), I have considered the advice of the State Planning Commission (the Commission) and approved the Proposal to Initiate the Festival Plaza Code Amendment.

A copy of the signed Proposal to Initiate is enclosed for your reference.

The initiation approval is on the basis that under section 73(4)(a) of the Act, you, as the Chief Executive of the Department for Trade and Investment, will be the Designated Entity responsible for undertaking the Code Amendment process.

Pursuant to section 73(5) of the Act, the approval is also subject to the condition that the Code Amendment is prepared by a person with qualifications and experience that is equivalent to an Accredited Professional—Planning Level 1 under the Act.

In addition, the Commission has specified under section 73(6)(e) of the Act that the Designated Entity must consult with the following stakeholders:

- Renewal SA
- Festival Plaza Committee
- Department for Environment and Water, Heritage South Australia
- Department for Infrastructure and Transport
- Office for Design and Architecture SA
- Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority
- Adelaide Park Lands Association
- Kaurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC
- Adelaide Airport Limited
- State Members of Parliament for the electorate in which the proposed Code Amendment applies.

The Riverbank Precinct has been the subject of ongoing strategic work, and this Code Amendment seeks to enable opportunities to further enhance the Festival Plaza area of the Riverbank as one of the State's premier cultural and entertainment precincts.

The investigations and information requirements for the Code Amendment are outlined in the Proposal to Initiate. However, further investigations may be required in response to feedback or advice received through the engagement process.

Pursuant to section 44(6) and 73(6)(d) of the Act, consultation in writing must be undertaken with:

- City of Adelaide
- Owners or occupiers of the land and adjacent land, in accordance with Regulation 20 of the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General)* Regulations 2017.

Engagement must be undertaken on the Code Amendment in accordance with the Community Engagement Charter. More information on the Community Engagement Charter is available in the Community Engagement Charter toolkit online at <a href="https://plan.sa.gov.au/resources/learning">https://plan.sa.gov.au/resources/learning</a> and toolkits/community engagement charter toolkit/overview.

I will make a determination on whether to approve the proposed amendments at the completion of the Code Amendment process.

For further information, please contact Mr Jason Bailey, Manager, Planning and Design Code, Planning and Land Use Services, on (08) or via email at

Yours sincerely

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Encl. Signed Proposal to Initiate the Festival Plaza Code Amendment