

TRAFFIC BRIDGES — THIRD AVENUE AND SEVENTH AVENUE

6232. Hon Linda Savage to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Transport

I refer to the Transport Minister's announcement on 11 October 2012 that \$16 million has been allocated to build two new steel and concrete traffic bridges — one at Seventh Avenue and the other at Third Avenue, and ask —

- (1) What 'minor preconstruction works' have already been undertaken on the Seventh Avenue Bridge?
- (2) Can the Minister confirm that construction works on the Seventh Avenue Bridge will commence in 2014–2015?
- (3) Has funding been allocated to commence construction work?
- (4) If yes to (3), in which year has the funding been allocated?
- (5) Why will construction work on the Seventh Avenue Bridge not start any sooner than 2014–2015?
- (6) Is \$16 million the total estimated cost of the two new bridge construction projects?
- (7) What is the allocation or estimated total project cost for the Seventh Avenue Bridge?
- (8) What is the allocation or estimated total project cost for the Third Avenue Bridge?
- (9) Has the State Government applied, or is the Government considering applying, for Federal Government funding towards these two new bridge projects?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

Main Roads WA advises:

- (1) Survey, geotechnical investigation and a concept bridge and road design.
- (2) The timing of construction will be dependent on the completion of the Third Avenue Bridge.
- (3) Yes.
- (4) Funding is allocated over the period 2013/14 to 2015/16.
- (5) The Seventh Avenue Bridge is required by Main Roads as a detour while the Third Avenue Bridge is under construction.
- (6) The estimated cost of the bridges will not be known until the detailed design is completed.
- (7) The current allocation is \$11.730m.
- (8) The current allocation is \$4.310m.
- (9) No.