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Urban Development Institute welcomes new president

Civil Engineer Monish Bhindi has been elected President of the state's peak representative body for the urban development industry, the Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA).

Mr Bhindi, Director of GREENHILL Engineering, replaces outgoing UDIA (SA) President John Stimson of Stimson Consulting.

A current member of the UDIA National Council, Monish has been involved with the UDIA for over 17 years. In South Australia he has taken on various roles, including Vice-president, Treasurer and Chair of UDIA Infrastructure and Events Committees.

Monish said he looks forward to work closely with UDIA Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Pat Gerace and the Executive Council to tackle important issues for the sector, such as population growth, planning reform, housing affordability, fairer taxes and infrastructure provision.

"I'm delighted to become President of the UDIA in South Australia and pursuing key issues on behalf of the industry and our members," Monish said.

"I am passionate about our State and look forward to playing my part in the UDIA as we embrace growth and actively seek out new opportunities to deliver prosperity to all South Australians."

CEO, Pat Gerace said he was excited about working with the new President and also paid thanks to outgoing President John Stimson for his unrelenting commitment to the Institute and South Australia.

ABOUT MONISH

A migrant from Fiji, Monish arrived in South Australia in 1985. He completed his education at the University of South Australia and has since practised Civil Engineering in Adelaide and Perth.

In 2004, Monish established GREENHILL, a small engineering consultancy practise with focus on development projects. Since then, he has grown the practise to be a leader in the urban development and public infrastructure sector providing consultancy services to the development industry, State and Local Government. He has also since expanded the consultancy to include GREENHILL Landscapes to support an integrated delivery of infrastructure.

ABOUT THE UDIA

Established in 1971, the UDIA (SA) represents the interests of the development industry in South Australia in collaboration with all levels of government. It represents all sections of the urban development sector, including developers, councils and service providers such as engineers, planners and surveyors.

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