

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **New OAG Report Misses The Mark Again for Strata Parking Levies**

Peak property body Strata Community Association (WA) has voiced its dismay that the critical issue of strata car parking levies has been ignored again in the Office of the Auditor-General's latest report into the Administration of the Perth Parking Levy.

Currently, the Perth Parking Levy is levied on commercial car spaces only. However, for strata complexes, the levy bill is not sent to the commercial car space lot owner, it is sent to the 'building owner' (the strata plan).

SCA (WA) President Catherine Lezer said billing the wrong entity creates a big issue.

"It means in a mixed-use building all the owners (including residential owners) pay the levy for car spaces they don't own and can't use.

"It can also mean an office with no car space is paying for car spaces they don't own and can't use.

"Quite simply, it is unfair and unjust and it's why SCA (WA) has been raising this issue time and time again. But again it seems it has fallen on deaf ears," she said.

Ms Lezer outlined the steps the government could take to resolve the issue.

"The solution is simple. The lot owner should be billed, not the strata company. The state government has easy access to which lots are commercial and which lots are residential as Landgate, a state government entity, holds all the title information.

"SCA (WA) will continue to campaign loudly on this issue by advocating to the Department of Transport and OAG, as well as pointing to the progressive government entities at City of Party and City of Vincent who have advocated for the change on this issue," she said.

#### **Media inquiries**

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#### **About SCA (WA)**

SCA (WA) is the peak industry body for strata and community titles in Western Australia. As a not-for-profit, member-based organisation, SCA (WA) is committed to the ongoing support of its members by providing education, advocacy and promoting professionalism.