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## Rundle Mall Management Authority chairman Theo Maras to step down on completion of mall upgrade

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NEW LOOK: An artist's impression of the redeveloped Rundle Mall - view from Richmond Hotel. Source: Supplied

### **RUNDLE Mall Management Authority chairman Theo Maras will step down from the post on completion of the mall redevelopment next year.**

After two terms and four years in the top job, Mr Maras said he would turn his attention to a new passion - increasing Adelaide's population.



**AMBITION:** Rundle Mall Management Authority chairman Theo Maras has set his sight on increasing Adelaide's population.

Source: News Limited

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"I went in especially to do a job - a very simple job and that was to make a change to trading hours, public holidays in the mall and to bring in new tenants to Rundle Mall," he said.

"By the end of the redevelopment everything I said I'd do has been done and I'm very, very happy it's been done in a way that was quick and it as expedient and for the city it was the right end result."

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Mr Maras was a key figure behind the \$30 million upgrade and in 2010, oversaw the extension of midweek trading to a 7pm closing time. He will step down in October, following completion of the mall redevelopment.

"All we need to do now is to increase the population in Adelaide," he said.

"It will take a combination of Local Government, State Government, Federal Government and private enterprise to work together."