Comment from a 6PR spokesperson:

We're very comfortable with Basil broadcasting on 6PR during the Lord Mayoral race and applaud his passion to make Perth a better city. We've put in place guidelines to ensure any conflicts are managed and his co-host Steve Mills will hold Basil and all candidates to account. Fellow 6PR broadcaster Mark Gibson is also contesting the election, and we'll be sure that all candidates receive fair coverage. Should Basil or Mark be elected we'll address the best way forward.