

CITY OF MELBOURNE

Future Melbourne Committee

MINUTES

**Meeting Number 16
Tuesday 2 July 2013
5:30pm**

**Council Meeting Room
Level 2
Melbourne Town Hall**

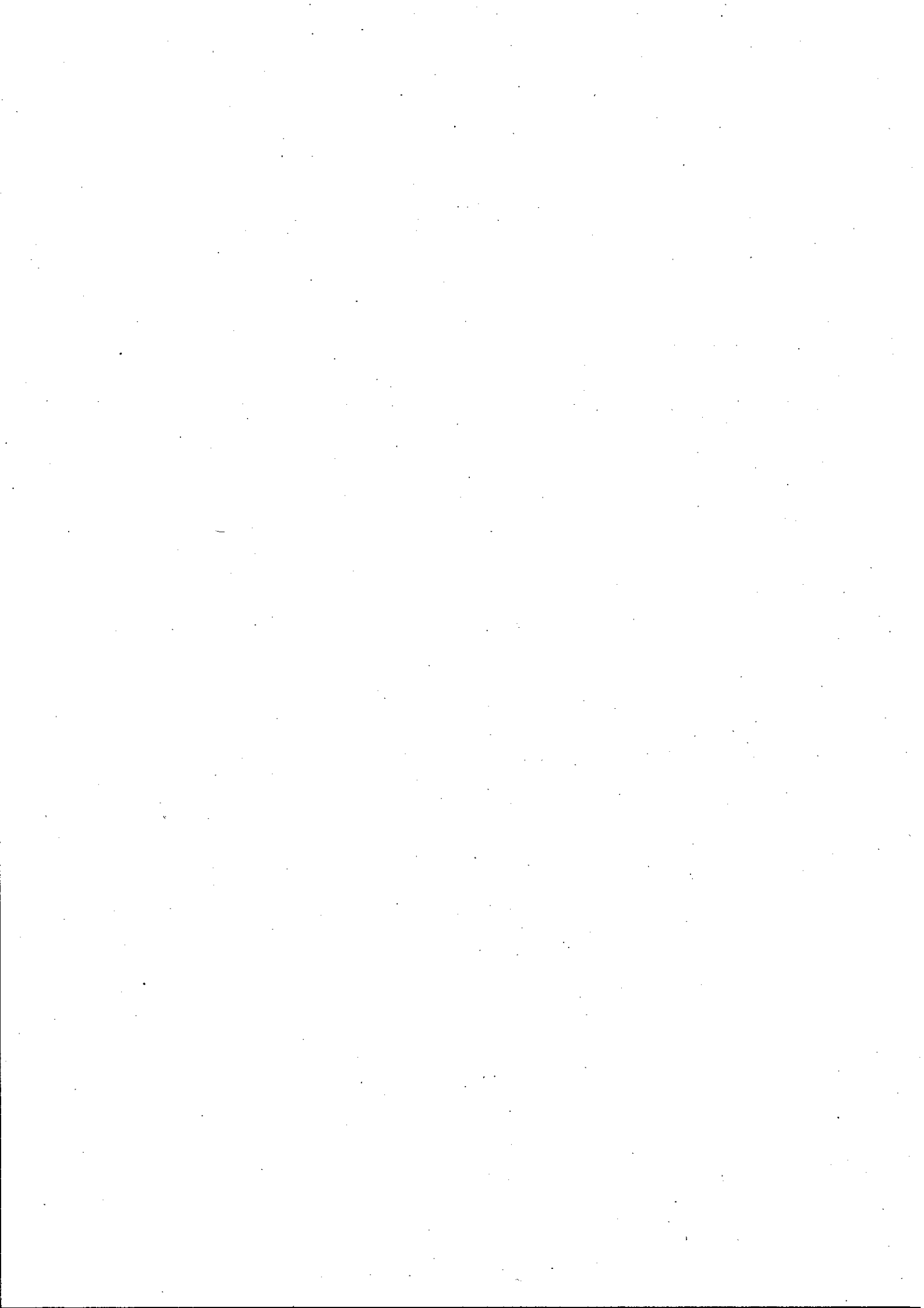
PRESENT

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle
Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley
Councillor Richard Foster
Councillor Rohan Leppert
Councillor Kevin Louey
Councillor Stephen Mayne
Councillor Cathy Oke
Councillor Ken Ong
Councillor Beverley Pinder-Mortimer

APOLOGIES

Councillor Jackie Watts
Councillor Arron Wood

Confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne
Committee meeting on 6 August 2013



1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING AND APOLOGIES

The meeting commenced at 5:30pm.

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, advised that:

- the meeting was being recorded and will be available on the City of Melbourne website before close of business tomorrow;
- the agenda comprised of four Reports from Management and one item of General Business; and
- apologies had been received from Councillors Watts and Woods.

2. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, advised that conflicts of interest would be disclosed as they arose.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Moved: Cr Oke

That the minutes of meeting No 13, held on Tuesday 4 June 2013, be confirmed.

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley, Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Oke, Ong and Pinder-Mortimer.

Moved: Cr Leppert

That the minutes of special meeting No 15, held on Tuesday 18 June 2013, be confirmed.

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley, Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Oke, Ong and Pinder-Mortimer.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous meetings.

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There was one Public Question from Peter Renner, Chair of the Committee of Management Freshwater Place. Mr Renner asked what assurances can residents from Southbank and Freshwater Place have on the Queensbridge Hotel planning application and will there be dialogue and consultation between residents and officers at the City of Melbourne?

Management advised that consultation would be undertaken.

6. REPORTS FROM MANAGEMENT

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, advised that as at 3pm the following submissions had been received in accordance with the Council's *Conduct of Meetings Local Law 2010*.

In relation to Agenda Item 6.2, '**Melbourne Planning Scheme Amendment C209 Public Open Space Contributions**':

Request to Speak:

- Anthony van der Craats, resident.

In relation to Agenda Item 6.3, '**Application for Planning Permit: TP-2012-617, 261-275 Abbotsford Street and 135-139 Arden Street, North Melbourne**':

Requests to Speak:

- Dr Jane Poynter, resident; and
- Andrew Clarke, Matrix Planning Australia.

Items of Correspondence:

- Dr Jane Poynter, resident;
- Andrew Clarke, Matrix Planning Australia;
- Paul Rowan, resident; and
- Nicholas Vonarx, resident.

In relation to Agenda Item 6.4, '**Road Safety Plan 2013-2017**':

Requests to Speak:

- Anthony van der Craats, resident;
- Damien Codognotto, The Independent Riders' Group; and
- John Eacott, Victorian Motorcycle Council.

Items of Correspondence:

- Damien Codognotto, The Independent Riders' Group; and
- John Eacott, Victorian Motorcycle Council.

PLANNING PORTFOLIO

Cr Ong assumed the role of Chair to present the three Reports from Management for consideration in relation to the Planning Portfolio.

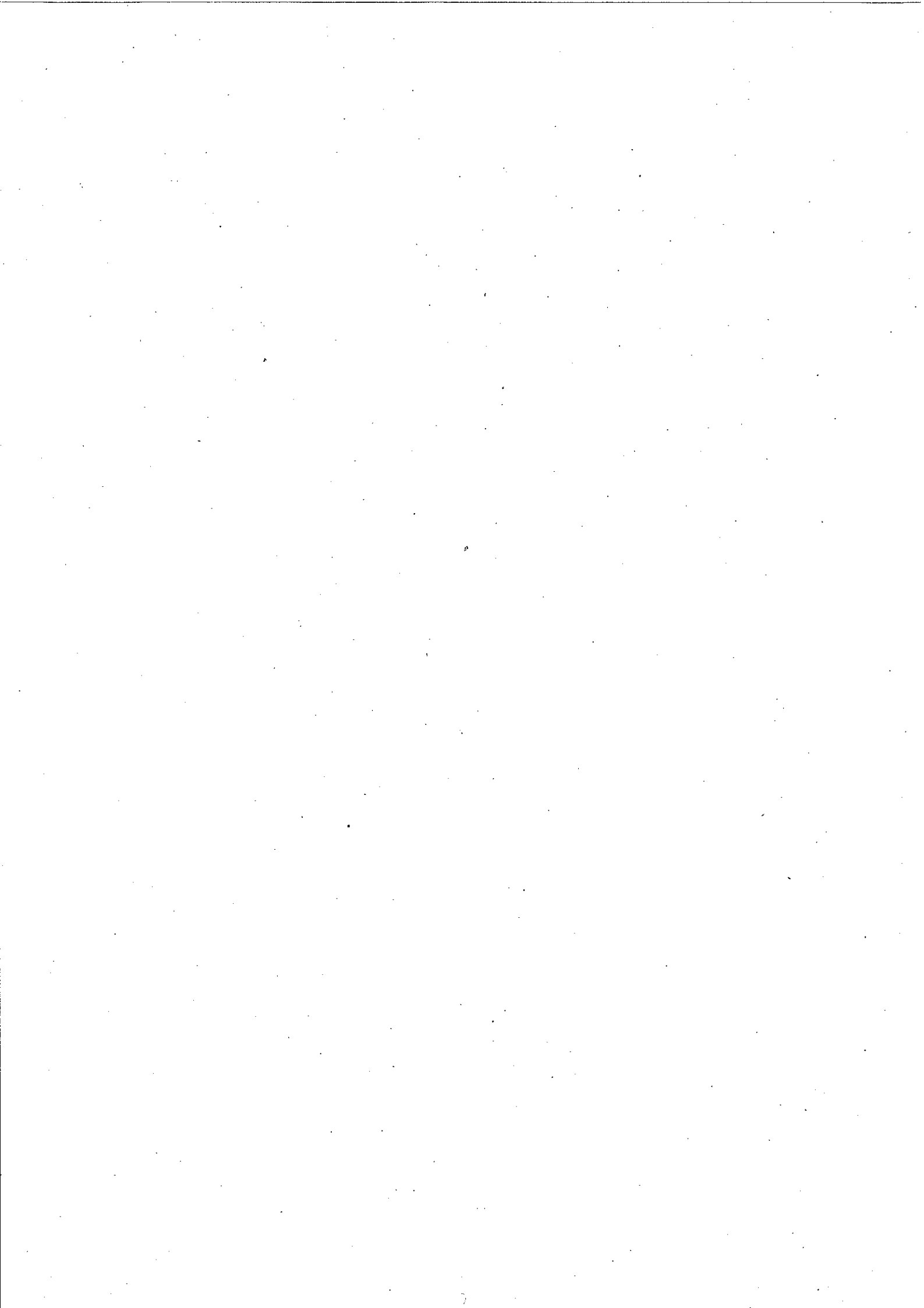
6.1 Proposed Easement Variations and Works Affecting Parts of the Bourke Street Pedestrian Bridge Over Southern Cross Station, Docklands

The purpose of this report was to provide information on the progress of three applications for planning permits for easement variations on parts of the Bourke Street Footbridge which crosses over Southern Cross Station.

Moved: Cr Ong

1. That the Future Melbourne Committee resolve to:

- 1.1. issue a Notice of Decision in relation to planning application TP-2011-853 for the easement variation related to the DoTPLI (myki) works subject to DoTPLI entering into the legal agreement with the Council and/or the Minister for Planning agreeing to:
 - 1.1.1. remove the barriers and associated works after 10 years (with a potential extension at Council's sole discretion) or at the request of Council;*
 - 1.1.2. requiring the reinstatement of the easement should the approval not be extended; and*
 - 1.1.3. such other terms as reasonably required by the Council's Chief Legal Counsel; and**
- 1.2. issue a planning permit for planning permit application TP-2011-126 for the easement variation related to the SCS western retail pod;*



- 1.3. *note that planning permit application TP-2013-157 for the easement variation related to the SCS eastern retail pods has been given notice pursuant to s. 52 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 and that the matter will be reported back to the Future Melbourne Committee; and*
- 1.4. *advise DoTPLI of Council's position in respect to the proposals and request the Department to assess the three works related applications in line with the Council's position.*

Seconded: Cr Oke

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Cr Ong, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley, Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Oke and Pinder-Mortimer.

6.2 Melbourne Planning Scheme Amendment C209 Public Open Space Contributions

The purpose of this report was to present the outcomes of the exhibition of Melbourne Planning Scheme Amendment C209 Public Open Space Contributions, proposed revisions to the Amendment C209 and to recommend the Committee request the Minister for Planning appoint a panel to consider the revised Amendment C209 and the submissions from its exhibition.

Anthony van der Craats, resident, addressed the Committee in relation to the matter.

The Chair, Cr Ong, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Pinder-Mortimer and Louey declared an indirect conflict of interest in this matter because of having received an applicable gift under Section 78B of the *Local Government Act 1989*. The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Ong, Pinder-Mortimer and Louey had received election campaign donations for the 2012 elections from Central Equity who had made a formal submission on the proposed Amendment C209.

The Chair, Cr Ong, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Pinder-Mortimer and Louey left the meeting at 5:52pm, prior to any discussion taking place.

The quorum was subsequently lost and the item could not be considered.

The Chair, Cr Ong, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Pinder-Mortimer and Louey returned to the meeting at 5:54pm and Cr Ong resumed the Chair for the consideration of the following agenda item.

6.3 Application for Planning Permit: TP-2012-617, 261-275 Abbotsford Street and 135-139 Arden Street, North Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of an application to demolish existing buildings and construct two four-storey residential buildings at 261-275 Abbotsford Street and 135-139 Arden Street, North Melbourne. The proposal contains 57 dwellings, a small shop/office and 60 car parking spaces.

Dr Jane Poynter, resident, addressed the Committee speaking against the motion.

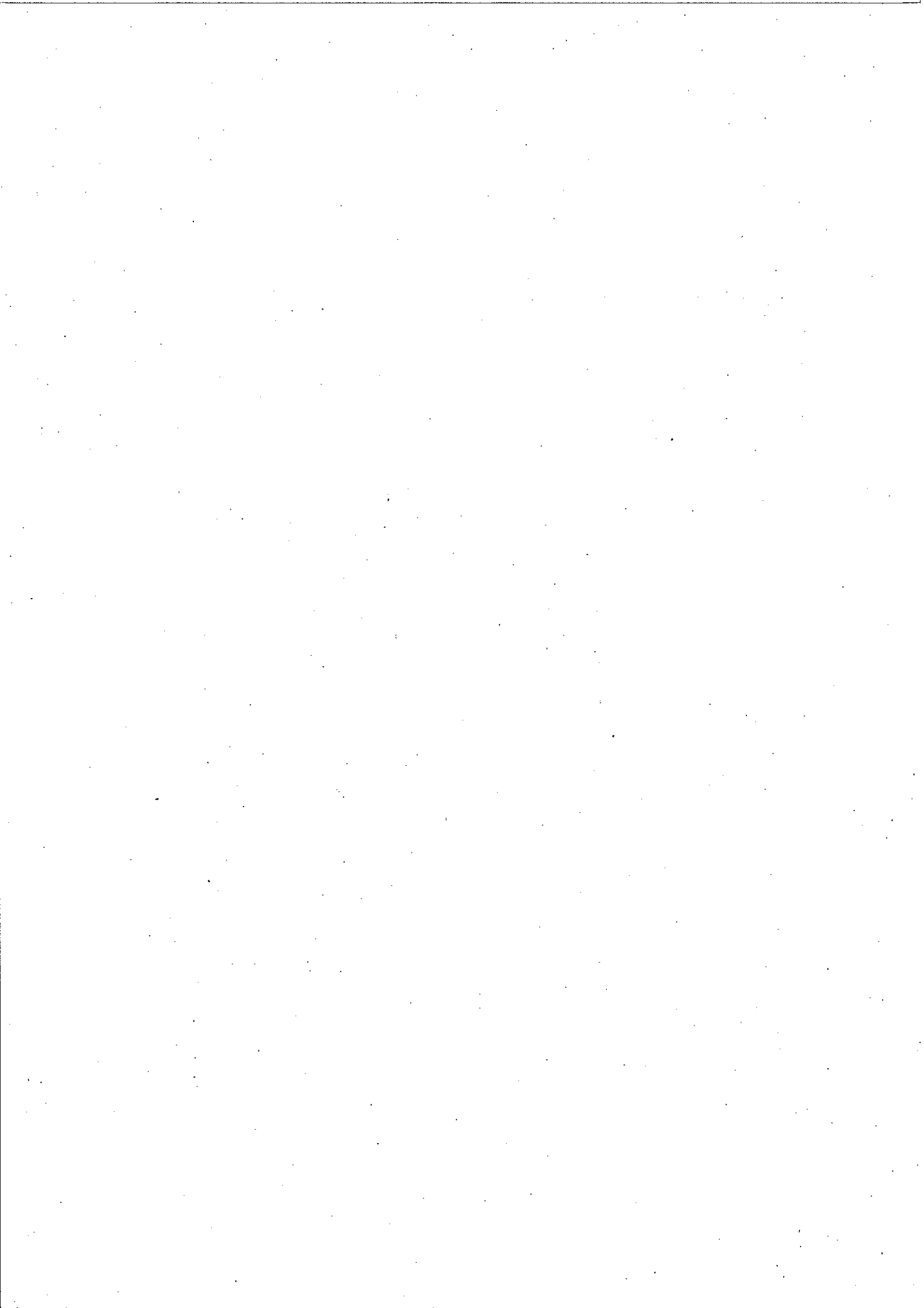
Andrew Clarke, Matrix Planning Australia, addressed the Committee speaking in favour of the motion.

Moved: Cr Ong

That the Future Melbourne Committee issue a Notice of Decision to Grant a Permit subject to the conditions included in the delegate's report, Attachment 4 of the Report from Management.

Seconded: Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Cr Ong, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley, Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Oke and Pinder-Mortimer.



TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO

Cr Oke assumed the role of Chair to present the one Report from Management for consideration in relation to the Transport Portfolio.

6.4 Road Safety Plan 2013-2017

The purpose of this report was to present a revised Road Safety Plan 2013-2017 to the Committee for endorsement.

Anthony van der Craats, resident, addressed the Committee in relation to the matter.

Cr Ong left the meeting at 6:38pm and returned to the meeting at 6:41pm.

Cr Mayne left the meeting at 6:43pm and returned to the meeting at 6:45pm.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle and Cr Foster left the meeting at 6:45pm. Cr Foster returned to the meeting at 6:47pm and the Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle returned to the meeting at 6:48pm.

Damien Codognotto, The Independent Riders' Group, addressed the Committee speaking in favour of the motion.

John Eacott, Victorian Motorcycle Council, addressed the Committee speaking in favour of the motion.

Moved: Cr Leppert

That the Future Melbourne Committee approves the Road Safety Plan 2013-2017.

Seconded: Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Cr Oke, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley, Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Ong and Pinder-Mortimer.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, resumed the role of Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

There was one item of General Business for consideration.

7.1 Notice of Motion, Cr Oke: Woolworths North Melbourne Development

Moved: Cr Oke

1. *That the Future Melbourne Committee:*

1.1 *notes that VCAT has reviewed the Planning Minister's decision to grant a permit for the proposed Woolworths development at 101-117 Canning Street, North Melbourne, and has directed the Minister for Planning to issue a planning permit for the proposal similar to that originally proposed;*

1.2 *notes the extent of community dissatisfaction with the issuing of the planning permit, which aligns with the City of Melbourne's previously endorsed position on the development, i.e. that:*

1.2.1 *the building represents an overdevelopment of the site; and*

1.2.2 *the scale and bulk of the building would impact adversely upon the general amenity of abutting streets and the immediate surrounding area; and*

- 1.3 notes that that the revised *Municipal Strategic Statement* and the *Arden Macaulay Structure Plan* were the subjects of extensive community consultation and articulate the City of Melbourne's desired strategic planning framework for the area within which the Woolworths development falls;
- 1.4 requests the CEO to write to the Directors of Woolworths Ltd, so as to:
- 1.4.1 acknowledge the City of Melbourne's decision not to appeal the VCAT determination;
 - 1.4.2 describe how the development breaches the City of Melbourne's preferred strategic planning framework for the area;
 - 1.4.3 reiterate the continued existence of overwhelming community opposition to the development, and the extent to which the community has been consulted on the City of Melbourne's preferred strategic planning framework for the area; and
 - 1.4.4 request the Board to consider reducing the height of the towers to 10 storeys such that the development better reflects the City of Melbourne's preferred strategic planning framework for the area, noting that any moves in this direction would have the effect of increasing the local community's level of acceptance of the development; and
- 1.5 notes management's intention to review local traffic management in the vicinity of the proposed development.

Seconded: Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley, Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Oke, Ong and Pinder-Mortimer.

8. URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of proposed urgent business for consideration.

9. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Cr Oke left the meeting at 7:14pm and did not return.

Anthony van der Craats, resident, asked what the City of Melbourne's statutory obligation is in ensuring residents display street numbers?

Management agreed to review this matter.

Megan Cuevas, Member of RAID @ 3051 Inc. asked the following two questions:

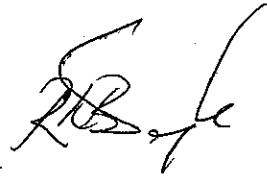
- Is the City of Melbourne going to put on public record the details as to why they didn't pursue the Woolworths development at 101-117 Canning Street to the Supreme Court?
- What construction and traffic management plans is City of Melbourne is going to undertake in relation to the construction of the Woolworths development at 101-117 Canning Street?

Management undertook to provide a response to RAID.

10. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, declared the meeting closed at 7:17pm.

Confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee on Tuesday 6 August 2013.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'R Doyle', written in a cursive style.

Chair
Future Melbourne Committee

