

Future Melbourne Committee

Minutes

Meeting number 60 Tuesday 9 June 2015 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 Ken Ong
Councillor Beverley Pinder-Mortimer
Councillor Jackie Watts
Councillor Arron Wood

Apology

Councillor Cathy Oke

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 the audio would be made available on the City of Melbourne website before close of business tomorrow
- the agenda comprised of five reports from management and four items of general business
- an apology had been received from Cr Oke.

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 meeting

Moved:

Cr Wood

That the minutes of meeting No 58, held on Tuesday 12 May 2015, 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 and Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Ong, Pinder-Mortimer, Watts and Wood.

4. Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

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

5. Public questions

There were no questions from the public.

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 6.4, 'Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal Final Draft Master Plan'

Item of correspondence:

Catherine Underhill on behalf of the Dairy Hall Traders.

Requests to speak:

Catherine Underhill on behalf of the Dairy Hall Traders.

The following people requested to address the Committee at the meeting in relation to Agenda item 6.4:

- Jenny Pyke
- John Price
- Emma Lawrence.

People City Portfolio

Cr Foster assumed the role of Chair to present the two reports from management for consideration in relation to the People City Portfolio.

6.1 Council Plan Action 14.3 and 14.4 - Cultural Diversity Statement and the Refugee Welcome Zone Action Plan

The purpose of this report was to seek endorsement of the Cultural Diversity Statement and the Refugee Welcome Zone Action Plan as outcomes of the Council Plan Actions 14.3 and 14.4.

Moved: Cr Foster

That the Future Melbourne Committee endorses the Cultural Diversity Statement and Refugee Welcome Zone Action Plan and authorises the Director Community Development to make any further minor editorial changes prior to publication. Further, that the progress of the Refugee Welcome Zone Action Plan be reported annually to Councillors and that this information also be made available to the public via Council's website.

Seconded: Cr Leppert

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

6.2 Aboriginal Heritage Action Plan 2015-18

The purpose of this report was to seek the Committee's endorsement of the Aboriginal Heritage Action Plan 2015–18.

Moved: Cr Foster

That the Future Melbourne Committee endorses the Aboriginal Heritage Action Plan 2015–18 and authorises the Director Community Development to make any further minor editorial changes. Further, that the progress of the Action Plan be reported annually to Councillors and that this information also be made available to the public via Council's website.

Seconded: Cr Leppert

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

Environment Portfolio

Cr Wood assumed the role of Chair to present the one report from management for consideration in relation to the Environment Portfolio.

6.3 Resilient Melbourne: Preliminary Resilience Assessment

The purpose of this report was to present the Resilient Melbourne project's *Preliminary Resilience Assessment* to the Committee for endorsement.

Moved: Cr Wood

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1 Endorses the Resilient Melbourne Preliminary Resilience Assessment (refer Attachment 2 of the report from management) and its proposed five Focus Areas for publication and carrying forward to Phase II of the Resilient Melbourne project.
 - 1.2 Authorises the Director City Planning and Infrastructure to make any further minor editorial changes prior to publication.

Seconded: Cr Ong

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

Major Projects Portfolio

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle assumed the role of Chair to present the one report from management for consideration in relation to the Major Projects Portfolio.

6.4 Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal Final Draft Master Plan

The purpose of this report was to seek approval to release the Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal Master Plan – Final Draft and to commence phase four of community engagement.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Catherine Underhill on behalf of the Dairy Hall Traders.
- Jenny Pyke
- John Price
- Emma Lawrence.

Moved:

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle

- 1. That Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1 Approves the Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal Master Plan Final Draft, subject to references to mixed use development key improvements in Quarters 3 and 4 explicitly stating that development will be 'guided by the City of Melbourne Housing Strategy', and commencement of Community Engagement Phase 4.
 - 1.2 Authorises the Director City Design to make any further minor editorial changes to the (the Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal Master Plan Final Draft) prior to publication.

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 and Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Ong, Pinder-Mortimer, Watts and Wood.

Finance and Governance Portfolio

Cr Mayne assumed the role of Chair to present the one report from management for consideration in relation to the Finance and Governance Portfolio.

6.5 Review of Future Melbourne Plan

The purpose of this report was to present options for the review of Council's Future Melbourne Plan in 2015-16.

Moved:

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1. Agrees to the administration commencing a process to refresh Council's Future Melbourne Plan (Future Melbourne), with the refresh to be completed in the third quarter of 2016.
 - 1.2. Agrees to the administration beginning pre-planning for the review of Future Melbourne, including:
 - 1.2.1. targeted conversations with key external partners
 - 1.2.2. appointment of a project team
 - 1.2.3. consideration of the most appropriate project/engagement model.
 - 1.3. Requests the Chief Executive Officer report back to Councillor Forum in July 2015 with a project plan.
 - 1.4. Requests an additional \$350,000 be included in the proposed 2015–16 Annual Plan and Budget.

Seconded:

Cr Wood

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

7. General business

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

There were four items of General business for consideration.

7.1 Proposed travel by Councillor Richard Foster, Participation in smoke-free forums in New Zealand, 21 to 24 September 2015

Moved: Cr Foster

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1. Approves the proposal for Councillor Richard Foster to participate in various smoke-free forums and meetings to be held in New Zealand between 21 and 24 September 2015 at a cost of approximately \$2577.
 - 1.2. Notes that Councillor Richard Foster will prepare a report to the Future Melbourne Committee or Council within 60 days of return.

Seconded: Cr Watts

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

7.2 Post travel by Councillor Cathy Oke, ICLEI World Congress, Seoul, South Korea, April 2015

Moved: Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1. Notes the report by Councillor Cathy Oke on the City of Melbourne's participation in the ICLEI World Congress 2015.
 - 1.2. Notes Councillor Cathy Oke's appointment as a member of the Assembly and as President of the Board of the ICLEI World Secretariat.
 - 1.3. Requests a Briefing Paper from management detailing the participation opportunities and merits of the City of Melbourne participating in the ICLEI Local Action on Biodiversity program.
 - 1.4. Requests that a report be prepared for the Future Melbourne Committee or Council on City of Melbourne opportunities to support the global effort of cities towards and during COP21 to be held in Paris in December 2015.

Seconded: Cr Wood

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

7.3 Proposed travel by Councillor Richard Foster, Washington D.C. and New York, USA, 29 June to 8 July 2015

Moved: Cr Foster

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1. Approves the proposal by Councillor Foster to hold meetings with government officers in Washington D.C. and New York between 29 June and 8 July 2015.

1.2. Notes that Councillor Foster will prepare a report to the Future Melbourne Committee or Council within 60 days of return from travel.

Seconded: Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle

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

7.4 Notice of Motion, Cr Mayne: Australian Local Government Association, National General Assembly, 14 to 17 June 2015

Moved: Cr Mayne

- That the Future Melbourne Committee, in respect of the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) National General Assembly (NGA) to be held in Canberra between 14 and 17 June 2015:
 - 1.1 Resolves that Councillors Stephen Mayne and Ken Ong be authorised to vote on matters listed on the business papers and that these Councillors determine the sole voting delegate for each of five debating sessions as required under NGA voting procedures.
 - 1.2 Resolves that in representing the Melbourne City Council at the NGA, Councillors Mayne and Ong take note of this Committee's objections to the following motions:
 - 1.2.1 Motion 6, on the grounds that the removal of the Minimum Grant Principle from Federal Assistance Grants is not supported.
 - 1.2.2 Motion 26, on the grounds that the further reduction of Foreign Aid funding in not supported.
 - 1.2.3 Motion 32, on the grounds that it has not been demonstrated that the exemption for Local Government from truck driving fatigue management laws will not reduce harm.
 - 1.2.4 Motion 42, on the grounds that the reduction of the Renewable Energy Target below current legislated levels is not supported.
 - 1.2.5 Motion 47, on the grounds that the level of funds required to deliver 'core infrastructure' to Northern Australia as a whole would not be a strategic Federal budget choice.
 - 1.2.6 Motion 77, on the grounds that there is not a general need for the Commonwealth Government to maintain Olympic and Commonwealth Games infrastructure.
 - 1.3 That decisions to vote for or against motions, or any matters raised from the floor, be made by Councillors Mayne and Ong at respective debating sessions taking into consideration matters identified in part 1.2 of this motion and any other matters which may arise during debate at the NGA.
 - 1.4 Notes with concern and disappointment that the City of Melbourne motion regarding the improvement of the reputation of local government as the most open and transparent level of government has been placed last (80th out of 80 motions) on the notice paper.
 - 1.5 That City of Melbourne expresses its general concern that such a large proportion of ALGA motions are calling for more money from other levels of government and encourages the ALGA board to try and broaden the agenda at the 2016 National General Assembly to involve issues such as governance, transparency, shared services, best practice, operating models, important national policy debates and other issues which the local government sector can directly influence.

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 and Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Ong, Pinder-Mortimer, Watts and Wood.

8. Urgent business

There was one item of proposed Urgent business for consideration.

8.1 Delivering Victorian Infrastructure (Port of Melbourne Lease Transaction) Bill 2015 – Assessment of potential implications

Moved: Cr Mayne

That the Delivering Victorian Infrastructure (Port of Melbourne Lease Transaction) Bill 2015 – Assessment of potential implications, meets the criteria for consideration as an item of Urgent Business as it has arisen since the distribution of the agenda, and cannot safely or conveniently be deferred until the next Council meeting.

Seconded: Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle

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

Moved: Cr Mayne

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee requests officers seek external legal advice to assist with the preparation of a report for the June Council meeting which:
 - 1.1 Assesses the impact on City of Melbourne of the proposed legislation recently introduced into the Victorian Parliament related to the leasing of land in the Port of Melbourne (the Port) and disposal of other assets of the Port of Melbourne Corporation.
 - 1.2 Makes recommendations to Council on an engagement strategy with the State related to any identified impacts of the proposed legislation, including, but not limited to: ownership of open space, boundary alignments, future property-based tax revenue, consultation with neighbouring property owners, access to waterways, recreational fishing and the approval process for future expansion projects at the Port.
 - 1.3 Includes feedback from consultations with other Australian councils with privatised ports within their municipal boundaries to establish what, if any, issues ought to be addressed with the State government before the privatisation process is completed.

Seconded: Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle

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

9. Public questions

There were no questions from the public.

10. Closure of meeting

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, declared the meeting closed at 6.48pm.

Confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee on Tuesday 14 July 2015

Chair Future Melbourne Committee

