



**CITY OF MELBOURNE**

## **Council Meeting**

### **Minutes**

**Meeting Number 27  
Tuesday 29 November 2022  
5.30pm**

**Council Chambers  
Melbourne Town Hall**

#### **Present**

Lord Mayor Sally Capp (Chair)  
Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece  
Councillor Dr Olivia Ball  
Councillor Roshena Campbell  
Councillor Jason Chang  
Councillor Elizabeth Doidge (via Zoom)  
Councillor Davydd Griffiths  
Councillor Jamal Hakim  
Councillor Philip Le Liu  
Councillor Rohan Leppert (via Zoom)  
Councillor Kevin Louey

**Confirmed at the meeting of Council  
on Tuesday 13 December 2022**

# Confirmed minutes

## 1. Commencement of meeting and apologies

The meeting commenced at 5.30pm.

The Chair, Lord Mayor Sally Capp, advised that:

- the meeting is being streamed live and that an audio and video recording will be made available on the City of Melbourne website before close of business Wednesday
- the agenda comprises:
  - one report from committee
  - 14 reports from management, ten of which are confidential.

## 2. Disclosures of conflicts of interest

The Lord Mayor advised that conflicts of interest should be disclosed as they arise.

## 3. Confirmation of minutes of the previous meetings

Moved: Cr Griffiths

*That the open minutes of special Council Meeting No 24 held on Tuesday 18 October 2022, the open minutes of Council Meeting No 25 held on Tuesday, 25 October 2022, and the open minutes of special Council Meeting No 26 held on Thursday 27 October 2022, be confirmed.*

Seconded: Cr Campbell

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: Lord Mayor Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece and Councillors Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, and Leppert.

## 4. Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meetings

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

### Submissions/Correspondence

The Lord Mayor advised that the following submissions had been received in accordance with the Council's Governance Rules.

#### Submissions

In relation to Agenda item 6.2, **Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal Program – Quarterly Report:**

#### Item of correspondence:

- Bea McNicholas.

In relation to Agenda item 6.4, **Queen Victoria Market Pty Ltd Annual Report FY2021–2022:**

#### Items of correspondence:

- Bea McNicholas
- Mary-Lou Howie, President, Friends of Queen Victoria Market Inc.

## 5. Reports from Committee

There was one report from Committee for consideration.

The Lord Mayor called on Cr Le Liu as Finance, Governance and Risk Portfolio Lead to present agenda item 5.1.

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### 5.1 Proposed Property Divestments

The purpose of this report was to seek Council endorsement of the proposed property divestments as set out in the recommendation of the report.

Cr Louey arrived to the meeting at 5.36pm.

Moved: Cr Le Liu

1. *That Council:*

- 1.1. *notes it has received, and considered the community's feedback (as noted in attachment 3 of the report from management) in relation to its proposal to sell the council owned land at:*
  - 1.1.1. *47-49 Canning Street, Carlton*
  - 1.1.2. *100-104 A'Beckett Street, Melbourne*
  - 1.1.3. *505-513 Abbotsford Street, North Melbourne*
  - 1.1.4. *30-38 Gatehouse Drive, Kensington*
- 1.2. *commences a planning scheme amendment to rezone the land at 30-38 Gatehouse Drive, Kensington to a more appropriate zone*
- 1.3. *finalises the statutory procedures in accordance with the Local Government Act 2020 to sell by a competitive market process, at or above a reserve established by a market valuation:*
  - 1.3.1. *47-49 Canning Street, Carlton*
  - 1.3.2. *505-513 Abbotsford Street, North Melbourne,*
- 1.4. *finalises the statutory procedures in accordance with the Local Government Act 2020 to sell the land at 100-104 A'Beckett Street, Melbourne by competitive market process at or above a reserve established by a market valuation, yet still provide the opportunity to incorporate into the potential sale terms an incentive to provide affordable housing at the site*
- 1.5. *enters into a two year lease with Midwives and Mothers Australia at 30-38 Gatehouse Drive, Kensington at a market rental while rezoning is considered*
- 1.6. *notes any future proposal to sell 30-38 Gatehouse Drive, Kensington will require a new community engagement in accordance with section 114 of the Local Government Act 2020*
- 1.7. *directs the Chief Executive Officer to apply the proceeds of sale to community infrastructure projects identified in the financial years 2022-23 and 2023-24 budget and communicate details of these projects to the community authorises the Director City Property to take all necessary actions and execute all necessary documents including each Contract of Sale and Vendor's Statement to implement the sale referred in paragraphs 3.3 and 3.4 above*
- 1.8. *notes the results of the Community Engagement Process and resulting decision will be published on Participate Melbourne.*

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: Lord Mayor Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece and Councillors Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

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### 6. Reports from management

There were four reports from management for consideration.

#### 6.1 Quarterly performance reporting – Council Plan Major Initiatives, Finances and Capital Program

The purpose of this report was to inform the community of the performance of the Council at the end of the first quarter of the financial year, outlining:

- Council's quarterly performance against the Council Plan 2021–2025 strategic objectives.
- The quarterly financial performance of the Council Works program, including the progress of Council's major projects.
- The quarterly financial performance of the Council and Budget, in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2020* (Act).

Cr Dr Ball arrived to the meeting at 5.42pm.

Moved: Cr Le Liu

##### 1. That Council:

- 1.1. Notes the Council Plan 2021-2025 quarter one summary report and performance report (refer Attachments 2 and 3 of the report from management).
- 1.2. Notes the 2022-2023 Council Works Program quarter one summary report (Attachment 4 of the report from management).
- 1.3. Approves program adjustments in the Council Works Program, within the overall adopted budget funding envelope, as follows (Attachment 5 of the report from management):
  - 1.3.1. New budget allocation (external funding) for:
    - 1.3.1.1. Shrine Reserve - Hostile Vehicle Mitigation (Project 22B2602M) - from \$0 to \$1,100,000
    - 1.3.2. Additional budget (internal funding) for:
      - 1.3.2.1. Cycle Infrastructure (Project 22B1305N) - from \$4,000,000 to \$7,229,577
      - 1.3.2.2. Birrarung Trial Floating Wetland (Project 22B5601M) - from \$40,000 to \$605,000
      - 1.3.2.3. Community Sports Pavilion Upgrade - Western (Project 20B4416N) – from \$0 to \$105,300
    - 1.3.3. Additional budget (external funding) for:
      - 1.3.3.1. City Activation (Project 21B1503M) - from \$0 to \$733,000
    - 1.3.4. Budget Reduced for:
      - 1.3.4.1. Seafarers Rest Park (Project 21B1427N) - from \$426,071 to \$30,000
  - 1.4. Notes funding and accounting adjustments for:
    - 1.4.1. Major Streetscape Improvements (Project 22B1352N) – for \$395,525 to recognise unspent Parking Levy from 2021-22.
    - 1.4.2. Footpath Renewal (Project 22B1309R) – for \$395,525 to fully utilise the \$7 million Parking Levy.
    - 1.4.3. Make Room Refurbishment (Project 22B2802M) – for \$3,000,000 due to delay in grant funding.
  - 1.5. Notes the 2022–23 quarter one Financial Performance Report and the current forecast (Attachments 6 to 9 of the report from management).

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: Lord Mayor Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece and Councillors Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

## **C o n f i r m e d   m i n u t e s**

### **6.2 Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal Program – Quarterly Report**

The purpose of this report was to provide Council with a progress update and expenditure breakdown of the Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal (QVMPR) program for the period July to September 2022.

Moved: Lord Mayor Sally Capp

*That Council accepts the Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal Program Quarterly Report which confirms a total program expenditure of \$100 million as at 30 September 2022.*

Seconded: Cr Griffiths

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: Lord Mayor Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece and Councillors Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

### **6.3 Citywide Service Solutions Pty Ltd Annual Report FY2021–2022**

The purpose of this report was to note the Citywide Service Solutions Pty Ltd (Citywide) audited Annual Report for the financial year 2021–2022.

Moved: Cr Le Liu

*That Council notes the Citywide Service Solutions Pty Ltd audited Annual Report for the financial year 2021–2022.*

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: Lord Mayor Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece and Councillors Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

### **6.4 Queen Victoria Market Pty Ltd Annual Report FY2021–2022**

The purpose of this report was to note the Queen Victoria Market Pty Ltd (QVM) audited Annual Report for the financial year 2021–2022.

Moved: Cr Le Liu

*That Council notes the Queen Victoria Market Pty Ltd audited Annual Report for the financial year 2021–2022.*

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: Lord Mayor Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece and Councillors Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

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### 7. General business

#### Acknowledgement of Departing General Manager – Linda Weatherson

The Lord Mayor acknowledged Linda Weatherson, General Manager Community and City Services, as one of the longstanding leaders in the City of Melbourne. The Lord Mayor advised Council's appreciation for the three decades of hard work, personal and professional commitment to the effectiveness and reputation of the City of Melbourne as an organisation, noting that Linda's leadership and investment at a staff level has been wonderful and she has always stayed focused on delivering for both the City of Melbourne's community and for the organisation, and has centred the organisation around the positive outcomes for the community and through some difficult, very complex issues at times. The Lord Mayor noted that Linda has held many roles across the organisation and represented, led and delivered at the City of Melbourne, making Council proud by being recognised as a national leader in her field, and as one of the top female public servants in Victoria. The Lord Mayor thanked Linda for her dedicated contribution on behalf of all Councillors and the community.

### 8. Urgent business

There were no items of urgent business.

### 9. Closure of meeting to the public

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece

1. *That pursuant to section 66 of the Local Government Act 2020 (Act), the meeting of the Council be closed to members of the public for the consideration of the items under the following categories:*
  - 1.1 *Agenda item 14.1 as it contains private commercial information, which, if released, would unreasonably expose the applicants for grants to disadvantage, by disclosing financial information to competitors.*
  - 1.2 *Agenda item 14.2, 14.3, 14.4, 14.5, 14.6 and 14.7 as it contains private commercial information which if released, would unreasonably expose the business to disadvantage by disclosing financial information to competitors.*
  - 1.3 *Agenda item 14.8 as it contains Council business information, which if released, would prejudice Council's position in future commercial negotiations by disclosing financial information to prospective tenderers.*
  - 1.4 *Agenda item 14.9 as it contains private commercial information, which if released, would unreasonably expose Council and Citywide to disadvantage by disclosing financial information to Citywide's competitors.*
  - 1.5 *Agenda item 14.10 as it contains personal information, being information which if released would result in the unreasonable disclosure of information about any person or their personal affairs.*

Seconded: Cr Griffiths

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: Lord Mayor Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece and Councillors Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

The Lord Mayor declared the meeting closed to the public at 6pm.

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Chair  
Council