

**CITY OF MELBOURNE** 

# **Council Meeting**

## Minutes

Meeting Number 30 Tuesday 28 March 2023 5.30pm

Council Chamber Level 2 Melbourne Town Hall

#### Present

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

## Apologies

Councillor Roshena Campbell Councillor Elizabeth Doidge

> Confirmed at the meeting of Council on Tuesday 18 April 2023

## 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 a recording would be made available on the City of Melbourne website before close of business Wednesday, 29 March 2023.
- an apology was received from Councillor Doidge.
- Councillor Campbell is on a leave of absence, and as previously advised at the Future Melbourne Committee meeting on 7 March 2023, is due to nominating as a candidate in the Aston by-election.

## 2. Disclosures of conflicts of interest

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

Cr Le Liu arrived at the meeting at 5.32pm.

## 3. Confirmation of minutes of the previous meeting

Moved: Lord Mayor Sally Capp

That the minutes of meeting No 29, held on Tuesday 28 February 2023, be confirmed.

Seconded: Cr Chang

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, Chang, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

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

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

#### Submissions/Correspondence

The Lord Mayor advised that the following submissions had been received.

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

#### Item of correspondence:

• Liz Aird.

In relation to Agenda item 7.1, Opportunity for international engagement – InnoEx Forum, Hong Kong:

#### Item of correspondence:

Chris Thrum.

In relation to Agenda item 7.2, Notice of Motion, Cr Leppert: Renewal of Local Laws:

## Item of correspondence:

Chris Thrum.

## 5. Reports from Committee

There were no reports from Committee.

## 6. Reports from management

There were three reports from management.

## 6.1 Delegation Policy for Planning Applications

The purpose of this report was to respond to the Council resolution from 25 May 2021 and provide Council with recommended changes to the planning delegations policy.

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor

That Council adopts the amended Delegation Policy for Planning Applications (Attachment 2 of the report from management).

Seconded: Cr Leppert

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, Chang, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

## 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 program for the period July to December 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 \$122 million as at 31 December 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, Chang, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

## 6.3 Procurement Australasia Ltd – Trading results to 30 September 2022

The purpose of this report was to present the annual results of Procurement Australasia Ltd for the period 1 October 2021 to 30 September 2022.

Moved: Cr Le Liu

That Council notes the annual results of Procurement Australasia Ltd for the financial year ended 30 September 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, Chang, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

## 7. General business

There were two items of general business.

## 7.1 Opportunity for international engagement – InnoEx Forum, Hong Kong

The purpose of this report was to seek Council approval for Cr Le Liu to represent City of Melbourne at the InnoEx Forum in Hong Kong between 12 and 15 April 2023.

#### Moved: Cr Louey

- 1. That Council:
  - 1.1. Approves participation by Councillor Philip Le Liu in the InnoEx Forum and a program of commitments with government and industry officials in Hong Kong between 12 and 15 April 2023 at a cost to Council of \$11,575.
  - 1.2. Notes that Councillor Le Liu will prepare a report to the Future Melbourne Committee or Council within 60 days of return from travel.

Seconded: Cr Hakim

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, Chang, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

## 7.2 Notice of Motion, Cr Leppert: Renewal of Local Laws

#### Moved: Cr Leppert

- 1. That Council requests from management proposals to make the Activities Local Law 2023 and Environment Local Law 2023. These proposals should:
  - 1.1 Replicate the terms of the Activities Local Law 2019 and the Environment Local Law 2019, other than as directed below;
  - 1.2 With regard to the Activities Local Law 2019, replicate the number of penalty units for offences under clauses 6, 7 and 9, and halve the number of penalty units for offences under all other clauses;
  - 1.3 With regard to the Environment Local Law 2019, translate all penalties into penalty units as appropriate;
  - 1.4 With regard to both Local Laws, update any out-of-date references and make any other changes deemed by management to be necessary or beneficial;
  - 1.5 Be accompanied by a program of community engagement and explanatory text to show how the proposals will satisfy Sections 73 and 74 of the Local Government Act 2020; and
  - 1.6 Aim to have the new Local Laws commence within the first quarter of FY23-24.
- 2. Further, that Council requests from management a briefing paper, by the end of April 2023, to provide advice on the matters raised in the public submission.

#### Seconded: Lord Mayor Sally Capp

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, Chang, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

#### 8. Urgent business

There were no items of urgent business.

#### 9. Closure of meeting to the public

#### Moved: Cr Griffiths

- 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 items 14.1 and 14.5 as they contain private commercial information, which if released, would unreasonably expose the business to disadvantage by disclosing financial information to competitors.
  - 1.2 Agenda item 14.2 as it contains private commercial information, which if released, would unreasonably expose Council to disadvantage by disclosing the proposed contract sum to the unsuccessful Tenderer prior to award.
  - 1.3 Agenda item 14.3 as it contains private commercial information, which if released, would unreasonably expose the business to disadvantage by disclosing financial information to competitors and potential outcome of the tender process prior to awarding.
  - 1.4 Agenda item 14.4 as it contains Council business information, which if released, would prejudice Council's position in commercial negotiations.
  - 1.5 Agenda item 14.6 as it contains personal information, which if released, would result in the unreasonable disclosure of information about any person or their personal affairs.

#### Seconded: Cr Le Liu

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, Chang, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

The Lord Mayor declared the meeting closed to the public at 5.58pm.

Confirmed at the meeting of Council on Tuesday 18 April 2023.

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Chair Council