

# **Future Melbourne Committee**

# **Minutes**

Meeting Number 80 Tuesday 3 May 2016 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
Councillor Arron Wood

# **Apology**

Councillor Jackie Watts

## 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 would be made available on the City of Melbourne website before close of business tomorrow
- the agenda comprised of six reports from management and two items of general business
- an apology had been received from Councillor Watts.

#### 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: Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley

That the minutes of meeting No 79, held on Tuesday 19 April 2016, be confirmed.

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, Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Oke, Ong, Pinder-Mortimer 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

Tristan Davies, Melbourne Heritage Action asked what Council's position is in relation to the Palace Theatre VCAT decision.

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, stated that Council is currently considering the VCAT decision and will consider options following legal advice. A decision will be made once evaluations have been received about the most feasible pathway.

Shane Scanlan, Docklands News asked a question in relation to a pledge made prior to the 2012 elections for an amount of \$500,000 to be spent on a trial of scheduled water transport. Mr Scanlon believed that \$50,000 had been spent on a study within the first year of the term and would like to know whether the remaining \$450,000 would be spent before the end of this election term.

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, stated it was his belief that the total amount was more in the order of \$100,000 and that money had already been spent on a feasibility study on the principle barriers to transport, such as vessels. The proposal included major transport options into the Docklands from the west of Melbourne.

## 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 Spring Fashion Week':

#### Request to speak:

Chris Thrum.

In relation to Agenda item 6.3, 'Liquor Enquiry LIQENQ-2016-45, Mail Exchange Hotel, 688 Bourke Street, Melbourne':

#### Request to speak:

Alison Elverd, on behalf of BSP Lawyers.

In relation to Agenda item 6.4, 'Planning Permit Application: TP-2015-942, 17-19 Gipps Street, East Melbourne':

## Request to speak:

Kellie Burns, on behalf of SJB Planning.

## Items of correspondence:

- Colette McKay
- Joanne O'Callaghan and Craig Millar.

In relation to Agenda item 6.5, 'Ministerial Planning Referral: TPM-2016-7, 582-606 Collins Street, Melbourne':

## Request to speak:

Derek Klau, on behalf of Landream.

In relation to Agenda item 6.6, 'Proposed smoke-free areas at The Tan and Princes Park running tracks':

#### Items of correspondence:

- Tony Keller
- C. Lithoxopoulos.

#### **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.

## 6.1 Allocation of the Discretionary Fund: Third Quarter 2015-16

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of the projects supported through the allocation of discretionary funding for the third quarter of the 2015–16 financial year in accordance with Future Melbourne Committee requirements.

Moved: Cr Mayne

That the Future Melbourne Committee receives the report on the allocation of discretionary funds for the third quarter of the 2015–16 financial year.

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

#### Marketing Melbourne Portfolio

Cr Pinder-Mortimer assumed the role of Chair to present the one report from management for consideration in relation to the Marketing Melbourne Portfolio.

# 6.2 Melbourne Spring Fashion Week 2016

The purpose of this report was to present the producing phase of the events management cycle for Melbourne Spring Fashion Week 2016.

Chris Thrum addressed the Committee.

Moved:

Cr Pinder-Mortimer

That the Future Melbourne Committee endorses the Melbourne Spring Fashion Week 2016 program.

Seconded:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley

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

# **Planning Portfolio**

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

# 6.3 Liquor Enquiry LIQENQ-2016-45, Mail Exchange Hotel, 688 Bourke Street, Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of a request by the Mail Exchange Hotel for a letter of support from the Melbourne City Council for an increase in trading hours allowed under an existing General Liquor Licence for the Mail Exchange Hotel.

Alison Elverd, on behalf of BSP Lawyers addressed the Committee.

Moved:

Cr Ong

That the Future Melbourne Committee resolves that a letter be sent to the Mail Exchange Hotel advising that the Melbourne City Council supports the application for a variation of the existing liquor licence for the Mail Exchange Hotel to allow increased trading hours to 3am in line with Planning Permit TP-2008-834/D.

Seconded:

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle

The motion was put and carried with the following Councillors voting in favour of the motion: The Chair, Cr Ong, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley, Councillors Louey, Pinder-Mortimer and Wood and the following Councillors voting against the motion: Councillors Foster, Leppert, Mayne and Oke.

# 6.4 Planning Permit Application: TP-2015-942, 17-19 Gipps Street, East Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of an application that was called in by Councillor Ong at 17-19 Gipps Street, East Melbourne.

Kellie Burns, on behalf of SJB Planning addressed the Committee.

The Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley left the meeting at 5.53pm and returned at 5.56pm.

Moved:

Cr Ong

That the Future Melbourne Committee resolves to issue of Notice of Decision to Grant a Permit subject to the conditions outlined in the Delegate Report (refer to Attachment 4 of the report from management).

Seconded:

Cr Leppert

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, Pinder-Mortimer and Wood.

Councillor Ong left the meeting at 6.06pm and did not return.

Councillor Leppert as Deputy Chair of the Planning Portfolio assumed the role of Chair to present agenda item 6.5.

#### 6.5 Ministerial Planning Referral: TPM-2016-7, 582-606 Collins Street, Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of a Ministerial referral of a Planning Application at 582-606 Collins Street, Melbourne.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Louey, Pinder-Mortimer and Wood each declared an indirect conflict of interest in relation to this item. The conflict of interest was due to receipt of an applicable gift under section 78C of the *Local Government Act 1989*, as they had received election campaign donations from the applicants or others associated with the application.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Louey, Pinder-Mortimer and Wood all left the meeting at 6.07pm, prior to any discussion taking place.

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

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer and Wood returned to the meeting at 6.08pm.

## **People City Portfolio**

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

## 6.6 Proposed smoke-free areas at The Tan and Princes Park running tracks

The purpose of this report was to provide findings from the smoke-free areas community engagement held between 10 February and 9 March 2016 and to recommend that The Tan and Princes Park running tracks, plus buffer zone, be prescribed as permanent smoke-free areas under clause 3A.3 of the Council's Activities Local Law 2009.

Moved: Cr Foster

That the Future Melbourne Committee approves the areas known as The Tan and Princes Park running track, as described in Attachment 2 of the report from management, being prescribed as smoke-free areas under clause 3A.3 of the Activities Local Law 2009.

Seconded: Cr Wood

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, Councillors, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer and Wood.

#### 7. General business

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

There were two items of General Business for consideration.

# 7.1 Proposed travel by Councillor Beverley Pinder-Mortimer, Sydney, May 2016

Moved: Cr Pinder-Mortimer

1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:

- 1.1. Approves Councillor Beverley Pinder-Mortimer's proposal to travel to Sydney in mid-May to hold meetings associated with Chinese New Year celebrations at an approximate cost of \$823.
- 1.2. Endorses the proposal for Jane Nathan, Chair of CNYU, to participate in the visit to Sydney and approves funding of \$823 from the discretionary budget to cover travel costs.

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

# 7.2 Notice of Motion, Councillor Mayne: Invitation to large US companies to relocate to Melbourne under a Trump led US government

Moved:

Cr Mayne

That the Future Melbourne Committee authorises a nominated councillor to write to the chairman of the 15 largest United States-domiciled companies (excluding weapons manufacturers, gambling companies and large carbon emitters) by market capitalisation extolling the virtues of relocating their global headquarters to the City of Melbourne if Donald Trump is elected President of the United States.

Seconded:

Cr Wood

The motion was put and lost with:

- the following Councillor voting for the motion: Cr Mayne
- the following Councillors voting against the motion: Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Cr Wood
- the following Councillors abstaining from voting: Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Oke and Pinder-Mortimer.

#### 8. Urgent business

There were no items of proposed urgent business for consideration.

#### 9. Public questions

There were no public questions.

## 10. Closure of meeting

Moved:

Cr Wood

That pursuant to section 89(2)(d) of the Local Government Act 1989, the meeting of the Committee be closed to members of the public for the consideration of a potential urgent business item, which if deemed urgent, contains information relating to contractual matters.

Seconded:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley

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

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, declared the meeting closed at 6.21pm.

Confirmed at the Future Melbourne Committee on Tuesday 17 May 2016.

Chair Future Melbourne Committee

