

Future Melbourne Committee

Minutes

Meeting Number 90 20 September 2016 5.30pm

Council Meeting Room Level 2 Melbourne Town Hall

Present

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle
Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley
Councillor Rohan Leppert
Councillor Kevin Louey
Councillor Stephen Mayne
Councillor Cathy Oke
Councillor Ken Ong
Councillor Beverley Pinder-Mortimer
Councillor Jackie Watts
Councillor Arron Wood

Apology

Councillor Foster

Confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee meeting on Tuesday 15 November 2016

1. Commencement of meeting and apologies

The meeting commenced at 5.30pm.

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

- the agenda comprised of eight reports from management, one of which was confidential
- an apology had been received from Councillor Foster.

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 89, held on 6 September 2016, be confirmed.

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 Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Oke, 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

Petra Stock asked a question in relation to new parking for the Melbourne Zoo potentially being in parkland.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle advised that there is a policy in place and there will be no parking in the parkland around the Zoo.

Friends of Queen Victoria Market asked a question in relation to a picture that has been circulated of the future Queen Victoria Precinct.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle advised that he was not aware of the picture being circulated. He also noted that it has always been the intention of the Council to have multi storey buildings on the Munro and Franklin Street sites.

Kebrasca King asked if the City of Melbourne supports Docklands activating its waterways.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle advised that the City of Melbourne did support the activation of Docklands waterways.

Paul Salta asked if the Council understands the damage caused to businesses if the Docklands New Year's Eve fireworks are not fired from barges on the water.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle advised that the Council is committed to fireworks in Docklands but due to advice from Victoria Police and risk consultants the fireworks may need to be fired from buildings to assist with crowd control in the Piazza area on New Year's Eve.

Mr Salta noted that there are seven locations around the harbour that can be used for viewing other than the Piazza.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle advised that the City of Melbourne is happy to work with the Docklands Community in relation to where the firing and viewing sites should be but there needs to be a place found that can accommodate between 30,000 and 40,000 people safely.

Anna Epstein requested the amount of the budget in relation to the Queen Victoria Market proposed redevelopment.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle advised that the budget is \$250,000,000 noting that the Munro site is a standalone development.

Jasmine Tan asked if the Council appreciates the damage done to Docklands businesses if the New Year's Eve fireworks are not fired from the water.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle advised that the Council is very keen to keep the Docklands fireworks but the advice but crowd safety is paramount.

Mary-Lou Howey asked the Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle to assure the community that if re-elected he would not support a tower higher than 100 metres on the perimeter of the Queen Victoria Market site.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle noted that the future Council would need to vote on and put forward a proposition that would be acceptable to the Minister for Planning who would be the responsible authority.

Damien Multon asked about estimated job losses at the Queen Victoria Market under the proposed redevelopment.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle advised that the redevelopment will generate 9000 jobs.

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 6.1, 'Ministerial Referral: TPM-2015-37, 71 to 87 City Road, Southbank':

Request to speak:

- Tony Penna, Southbank Residents Association
- Tristan Davies.

Items of Correspondence:

- David Johnston
- Tony Penna, Southbank Residents Association.

In relation to Agenda item 6.2, 'Planning Permit Application: TP-2016-430, 271 Spring Street, Melbourne':

Request to speak:

- John Wardle
- Bruce Trethowan
- Michael Barlow, Urbis
- Tristan Davies
- lan Macintyre.

Items of Correspondence:

- Chris Trakas
- Melbourne Heritage Action.

In relation to Agenda item 6.3, 'Planning Permit Application: TP-2016-483, 488-495 La Trobe Street, West Melbourne':

Request to speak:

- Joseph Indomenico
- Eugene Chieng
- Tristan Davies
- Simon Mitchell-Wong
- Jessica Wong
- Pranav Garg
- Sharon Vladusic
- Juliana Mitchell-Wong
- Jason Vladusic.

Item of Correspondence:

- Simon Mitchell-Wong
- Jason Vladusic
- Jessica Wong
- Juliana Mitchell-Wong
- Pranav Garg
- Sharon Vladusic
- Stephen Elder.

In relation to Agenda item 6.4, 'Ministerial Planning Referral: TPD-2010-37/A Collins Wharf, Victoria Harbour, Docklands':

Request to Speak

Tim Campbell, Lend Lease.

In relation to Agenda item 6.5, 'Ministerial Referral: TPMR-2016-14, Demolition of the existing building and construction of a multi storey mixed use development 383 La Trobe Street, Melbourne':

Request to Speak

Zac Cvitkovic, Aecom.

In relation to Agenda item 7.1, 'Post travel report by Councillor Wood, C40 Workshop, London, August 2016'

Request to Speak

Chris Thrum.

Item of Correspondence:

Chris Thrum.

Planning Portfolio

Cr Ong assumed the role of Chair for the Committee to consider six reports from management in relation to the Planning Portfolio.

6.1 Ministerial Referral: TPM-2015-37, 71 to 87 City Road, Southbank

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of a Ministerial referral of a Planning Application at 71 to 87 City Road, Southbank.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Louey, Ong, Pinder-Mortimer and Wood each declared an indirect conflict of interest in relation to this item. The Future Melbourne Committee – Tuesday 20 September 2016

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, Ong, Pinder-Mortimer and Wood all left the meeting at 5.55pm, prior to any discussion taking place.

Due to a number of Councillors declaring conflicts of interest for Agenda item 6.1 the quorum for the meeting was lost and this agenda item will now be dealt with by an officer under delegation.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Louey, Ong, Pinder-Mortimer and Wood returned to the meeting at 5.57pm.

6.2 Planning Permit Application: TP-2016-430, 271 Spring Street, Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of a Planning Application at 271 Spring Street, Melbourne.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- John Wardle
- Bruce Trethowan
- Michael Barlow, Urbis
- Tristan Davies
- Ian Macintyre.

Moved: Cr Ong

That the Future Melbourne Committee resolves that a Notice of Decision to Grant a Permit be issued subject to the conditions set out in the delegate report (refer to 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, Ong, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley, Councillors Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Watts and Wood.

6.3 Planning Permit Application: TP- 2016-48, 488 – 494 La Trobe Street, West Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of an application for a planning permit seeking to construct a multi-storey building to be used as dwellings, ground floor retail premises (excluding hotel, tavern, adult sex bookshop, department store, supermarket and gambling premises) and an associated reduction in the car parking requirements.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle left the meeting at 6.38pm and returned at 6.40pm.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Joseph Indomenico
- Eugene Chieng
- Tristan Davies
- Simon Mitchell-Wong
- Jessica Wong
- Pranav Garg
- Sharon Vladusic
- Juliana Mitchell-Wong
- Jason Vladusic.

Moved:

Cr Ong

That the Future Melbourne Committee resolves that a Notice of Decision to Grant a Permit be issued subject to the conditions set out in the delegate report (refer to Attachment 4 of the report from management).

Seconded:

Cr Mayne

Councillor Leppert gave notice that he intended to move the following motion in the event the substantive motion failed:

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee resolve to refuse the application on the following grounds:
 - 1.1 The design and external appearance of the proposed building, particularly the scale, bulk, mass and height of the tower element, fails to meet the objectives and policy set out at Clause 22.17 and is detrimental to the visual amenity of the streetscape.
 - 1.2 The proposed height of the tower is excessive and building setbacks are inadequate having regard to the building height and setback requirements of Design and Development Overlay Schedule 33.
 - 1.3 The proposal fails to meet the objectives and built form outcomes of Design and Development Overlay Schedule 33.
 - 1.4 The proposal represents an overdevelopment of the site, detrimental to the outlook and amenity of adjoining residential properties.
 - 1.5 The proposal will result in unacceptable amenity impacts to nearby properties by way of visual bulk.

Procedural motion

Moved:

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle

The Future Melbourne Committee defers this matter.

Seconded:

Cr Wood

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

6.4 Ministerial Planning Referral TPD-2010-37/A, Collins Wharf, Victoria Harbour, Docklands

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of a Ministerial referral of an application to amend the Victoria Harbour Development Plan 2010.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle left the meeting at 7.41pm and returned at 7.44pm.

Tim Campbell, Lend Lease addressed the Committee.

Moved:

Cr Leppert

That the Future Melbourne Committee resolves to advise the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning that it does not support the application in its current form, and requests that the Department work with the applicant to make further amendments to the proposal such that higher density development is entertained at the east of the wharf, but that the built form then steps down to the water, with buildings along the western half of the wharf better reflecting the heritage of the wharf by consisting predominantly of a horizontal lower-rise form (not dissimilar to the current

Development Plan); the objective of not boxing in Victoria Harbour or dividing the water with tall architecturally similar buildings must be preserved.

Seconded: Cr Watts

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

6.5 Ministerial Referral: TPMR-2016-14 - Demolition of the existing building and construction of a multi storey mixed use development, 383 La Trobe Street, Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of a Ministerial Application for Planning Permit seeking approval to develop the land at 383 La Trobe Street, Melbourne.

Cr Oke left the meeting at 8.11pm and returned at 8.14pm.

Cr Leppert left the meeting at 8.12pm and returned at 8.16pm.

Cr Wood left the meeting at 8.13pm and returned at 8.15pm.

Zac Cvitkovic, Aecom addressed the Committee.

Moved: Cr Ong

That the Future Melbourne Committee resolves to advise Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning that the Melbourne City Council supports the application subject to the conditions outlined in the Delegate Report (Attachment 4 of the report from management).

Seconded: Cr Wood

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

6.5a Better Apartments Draft Design Standards Submission

The purpose of this report was to seek ratification of management's submission in response to the Better Apartments Draft Design Standards released by the Victorian Government.

Moved: Cr Oke

That the Future Melbourne Committee endorses the City of Melbourne submission in response to the *Better Apartments Draft Design Standards* attached to this report.

Seconded: Cr Leppert

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

Finance and Governance Portfolio

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

6.6 Proposed change to scheduled 8 November 2016 Future Melbourne Committee meeting

The purpose of this report was to consider a revised meeting date for the Future Melbourne Committee meeting currently scheduled for 8 November 2016.

Moved: Cr Mayne

That the Future Melbourne Committee approves changing the Future Melbourne

Committee meeting date from 8 November 2016 to 15 November 2016.

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle Seconded:

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

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

General business 7.

There were three items of General business for consideration in the open session.

Post travel report by Councillor Wood, C40 Workshop, London, August 2016 7.1

The purpose of this report was to report to the Committee on the travel undertaken by Councillor Arron Wood to London associated with the C40 Business Plan Workshop between 11 and 12 August 2016.

Cr Leppert left the meeting at 8.35pm and returned at 8.36pm.

Moved: Cr Oke

> That the Future Melbourne Committee notes the report by Councillor Arron Wood on participation in the C40 Business Plan Workshop held In London between 11 and 12 August 2016.

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

Proposal to travel by Councillor Stephen Mayne, 2016 Local Government Association of 7.2 Queensland Media and Communications Forum, Gold Coast, 18 October 2016

The purpose of this report was to seek approval for Councillor Stephen Mayne to participate in the 2016 Local Government Association of Queensland Forum to be held in the Gold Coast on Tuesday 18 October.

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle Moved:

> That the Future Melbourne Committee approves the proposal by Councillor Stephen Mayne to participate in the Local Government Association of Queensland Media and Communications Forum on the Gold Coast on 18 October 2016.

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

7.3 Notice of Motion, Stephen Mayne: Online donations register

Moved: Cr Mayne

1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:

- 1.1 Notes the advice from the state government and an external law firm that Council would be in breach of the Local Government Act if it was involved in funding a third party to host an online register of donations for the forthcoming council elections.
- 1.2 Notes that individual councillors have indicated their willingness to voluntarily supply the donations data in the format outlined in the April 19 and August 30 resolutions to a nominated third party (The Age newspaper) without any formal involvement of council.
- 1.3 Encourages non-councillor candidates to also disclose relevant campaign finance information in a timely manner to The Age, with the disclosure dates being October 3, October 14 and November 11 (not October 7 as mentioned in the August 30 resolution).
- 1.4 Notes the following September 20 email to councillors from Clay Lucas of The Age outlining how the newspaper proposes to run the register:

Dear Lord Mayor, councillors and council candidates and campaign managers.

In response to this motion moved by Cr Mayne, The Age has decided it is in the public interest to offer to host a donations register for candidates for Lord Mayor and council. As a credible publisher of public interest journalism and a trusted media outlet, we believe The Age should be endorsed by councillors tomorrow night as the agreed host for all candidates to provide donation data.

The information would be published by The Age at noon on the prescribed days below, and the information would be reproduced purely from data supplied by candidates. It would also highlight those who have declined to provide information.

Campaign donations for the purposes of the register would be classified all cash or inkind donations over \$500. It would include all self-funded donations.

The register would provide three snapshots of donations received: on October 3, October 14 and November 11. All donations disclosures for all candidates would be done simultaneously on three occasions.

The register will be made available on The Age website permanently. I am comfortable with this email being made public as part of the decision making process.

Regards, Clay Lucas City Editor The Age

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

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

8. Urgent business

There were no items of proposed urgent business for consideration in the open session.

Public questions

Cr Ong left the meeting at 8.41pm and returned at 8.43pm.

Shane Scanlon asked which police departments were involved in providing safety advice.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle advised he believed there are three bodies and he would provide the details.

A member of the public asked a question in relation to what the City of Melbourne in doing in relation to homelessness.

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle advised that all Councillors had worked very productively in relation to this matter. This matter requires the non-government, state and federal government sectors to work together. There is a great focus on good outcomes for vulnerable homeless people.

10. Closure of meeting

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, declared the meeting closed at 8.46pm.

Moved:

Cr Wood

That pursuant to section 89(2)(h) of the Local Government Act 1989, the meeting of the Council be closed to members of the public for the consideration of Agenda item 6.7.1 as it contains information which if released would prejudice the Council or any person.

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, Pinder-Mortimer, Watts and Wood.

Confirmed at the meeting of Future Melbourne Committee on 15 November 2016

Chair

Future Melbourne Committee