



Future Melbourne Committee

Minutes

**Meeting Number 6
Tuesday 21 February 2017
5.30pm**

**Council Meeting Room
Level 2
Melbourne Town Hall**

Present

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle
Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood
Councillor Michael Caiafa
Councillor Philip Le Liu
Councillor Rohan Leppert
Councillor Kevin Louey
Councillor Cathy Oke
Councillor Nicholas Reece
Councillor Tessa Sullivan
Councillor Jackie Watts

Confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee
on Tuesday 7 March 2017

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 four reports from management and one item of general business
- no apologies had been received from Councillors.

Condolence statement for Julianne Bell

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle read the following condolence statement:

Vale Julianne Bell.

Julianne Bell passed away on 27 January 2017.

Julianne is well known to us, as she is to many Councillors and Members of Parliament, through her work as a fierce protector of Victoria's parks, public lands and cultural heritage.

She founded the Protectors of Public Lands (Victoria) in 2003, and co-founded the Royal Park Protection Group in 1996. Both had the overarching mission to "Keep public lands in public hands." It didn't matter if it was one tree or an entire park that was threatened by a bike-path, road or freeway, Julianne would be there to generate as much attention and local action as possible.

In Royal Park, we recognise Julianne's efforts to have Walmsley House in the Australian Native Garden listed on the State Heritage Register, and by the National Trust. Julianne loved Melbourne's public parks dearly, but Royal Park especially so. We honour her and remember her activism and life's work today.

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, Arron Wood

That the minutes of meeting No 5, held on Tuesday, 7 February 2017, be confirmed.

Seconded: Cr Caiafa

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood, Councillors Caiafa, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Sullivan and Watts.

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

Tony Penna asked a question relating to collection of rubbish during major events in the city, specifically the White Night event.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle advised the City of Melbourne would complete a thorough evaluation and reconciliation of the White Night event. Within the evaluation there will be a waste management review to investigate how to incorporate more waste management facilities into major events such as White Night, Moomba and New Year's Eve.

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*.

Submissions/Correspondence

In relation to Agenda item 6.1, '**Melbourne Planning Scheme Amendments C278 and C280 – Southbank and Fishermans Bend Heritage**':

Requests to speak:

- Tony Penna, Southbank Residents Association
- Robin Grow, President, Art Deco and Modernism Society of Australia (ADMSA) and resident
- Tristan Davies, Melbourne Heritage Action
- Janet Bolitho.

Items of correspondence:

- Tony Penna, Southbank Residents Association
- Robin Grow, President, Art Deco and Modernism Society of Australia (ADMSA) and resident
- Janet Bolitho.

In relation to Agenda item 7.1, '**Notice of Motion, Cr Leppert: Crown Development**':

Requests to speak:

- Peter Renner, Chairman, Freshwater Committee of Management
- Tony Penna, Southbank Residents Association.

Items of correspondence:

- Peter Renner, Chairman, Freshwater Committee of Management
- Michael Smolders
- Tony Penna, Southbank Residents Association.

Planning (Heritage) Portfolio

Cr Leppert assumed the role of Chair for the Committee to consider the one report from management in relation to the Planning (Heritage) Portfolio.

6.1 Melbourne Planning Scheme Amendments C276 and C280 – Southbank and Fishermans Bend Heritage

The purpose of this report was to update the Committee on the initial stage of the Southbank and Fishermans Bend Heritage Review.

Councillors Oke and Reece declared an indirect conflict of interest in regard to Agenda Item 6.1 under section 78B of the *Local Government Act 1989*, as they are both employed by the University of Melbourne. The University of Melbourne owns buildings that are part of the Heritage review.

Councillors Oke and Reece left the meeting at 5.38pm, prior to any discussion taking place.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Tony Penna
- Robin Grow
- Tristan Davies

Moved: Cr Leppert

1. *That the Future Melbourne Committee:*
 - 1.1. *Notes the progress of the Southbank and Fishermans Bend Heritage Review.*
 - 1.2. *Requests the Minister for Planning prepare Planning Scheme Amendment C276 pursuant to section 20(4) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 and approve that Amendment to introduce interim heritage controls to the former Castlemaine Brewery Site (107-117, 129-131 and 133 Queens Bridge Street) and part of 45-99 Sturt Street.*
 - 1.3. *Seeks authorisation from the Minister for Planning to prepare and exhibit Planning Scheme Amendment C280, which seeks to introduce permanent heritage controls to the heritage places identified in Southbank, including the former Castlemaine Brewery Site (107-117, 129-131 and 133 Queens Bridge Street), 45-99 Sturt Street, 63-65 City Road and 35-41 City Road.*

Seconded: Cr Caiafa

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Councillor Leppert, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood, Councillors Caiafa, Le Liu, Louey, Sullivan and Watts.

Councillors Oke and Reece returned to the meeting at 5.53pm after the vote had been taken.

Finance and Governance Portfolio

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood assumed the role of Chair for the Committee to consider the three reports from management in relation to the Finance and Governance Portfolio.

6.2 2016-17 Second Quarter December 2016 YTD Financial Performance Report

The purpose of the report was to inform the Committee of the financial performance of the Council for the first quarter ending 31 December 2016, in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989* and to provide information on supplementary valuations adopted by the Chief Executive Officer under delegation.

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

1. *That the Future Melbourne Committee:*
 - 1.1. *Accepts the quarterly financial performance report as at 31 December 2016.*
 - 1.2. *Resolves not to refer any matters to the audit committee.*

Seconded: Cr Oke

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Councillors Caiafa, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Sullivan and Watts.

6.3 Allocation of the Discretionary Fund: Second quarter 2016–17

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of the projects supported through the allocation of discretionary funding for the second quarter of the 2016–17 financial year in accordance with Future Melbourne Committee requirements.

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

That the Future Melbourne Committee receives the report on the allocation of discretionary funds for the second quarter of the 2016–17 financial year.

Seconded: Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Councillors Caiafa, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Sullivan and Watts.

6.4 2016 Melbourne City Council Elections: Election Report

The purpose of this report was to submit to the Committee the Election Report prepared by the Victorian Electoral Commission on the October 2016 Melbourne City Council elections.

Moved: Cr Leppert

1. *That the Future Melbourne Committee:*
 - 1.1. *Notes the Election Report provided by the Victorian Electoral Commission for the October 2016 Melbourne City Council elections.*
 - 1.2. *Notes with significant concern the falling rate of voter turnout and requests that the Chief Executive Officer write to the Local Government Minister to request investigation into measures to improve voter turnout in postal elections, including consideration of factors specific to the City of Melbourne.*

Seconded: Cr Caiafa

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Councillors Caiafa, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Sullivan and Watts.

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

7. General business

There was one item of General business for consideration.

7.1 Notice of Motion, Cr Leppert: Crown Development

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Louey, Reece and Sullivan declared an indirect conflict of interest in regard to Agenda Item 7.1 under section 78C of the *Local Government Act 1989*, as they received a campaign donation from a Director of Crown Resorts.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Louey, Reece and Sullivan left the meeting at 6.05pm, prior to any discussion taking place.

Due to the above Councillors declaring conflicts of interest for Agenda Item 7.1, the quorum for the meeting (six Councillors) was lost and the motion lapsed.

The Acting Chief Executive Officer, Martin Cutter advised that due to the decision by the state government to approve the planning scheme amendment for 1 Queensbridge Street and consistent with the City of Melbourne process for ministerial matters, the administration would review the amendment against the requirements of the planning scheme prior to the changes being introduced and publish this on the Council's website within two weeks of the Gazettal of the amendment.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Louey, Reece and Sullivan returned to the meeting at 6.07pm after discussion had taken place.

8. Urgent business

There were no items of proposed urgent business for consideration.

9. Public questions

Shane Scanlon asked Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood a question in relation to the amendment that was made relating to Agenda item 6.2, paragraph 1.2.

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood advised that there were no items to refer to the Audit Committee which is why the recommendation was amended.

Shane Scanlon asked Acting Chief Executive Officer, Martin Cutter a question in relation to Agenda item 7.1 and the process due to the loss of quorum.

Acting Chief Executive Officer, Martin Cutter advised a review would be made by management and this information would be uploaded onto the City of Melbourne website, consistent with the recommendation set out in the lapsed Notice of Motion.

10. Closure of meeting

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, declared the meeting closed at 6.09pm.

Confirmed at the meeting of Future Melbourne Committee on Tuesday 7 March 2017.



Chair
Future Melbourne Committee