

CITY OF MELBOURNE

Future Melbourne Committee

Minutes

Meeting Number 69 Tuesday 3 December 2019 5.30pm

> Council Meeting Room Level 2 Melbourne Town Hall

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Present

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood Councillor Philip Le Liu Councillor Rohan Leppert Councillor Kevin Louey Councillor Beverley Pinder-Mortimer Councillor Nicholas Reece Councillor Susan Riley Councillor Jackie Watts

Apologies

Councillor Nicolas Frances Gilley Councillor Cathy Oke

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1. Commencement of meeting and apologies

The meeting commenced at 5.30pm.

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, advised that:

- the meeting was being streamed live and that an audio and video recording would be made available on the City of Melbourne website before close of business tomorrow
- the agenda comprised of five reports from management and two items of general business
- apologies had been received from Councillors Frances Gilley and Oke.

2. Disclosures of conflicts of interest

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, advised that conflicts of interest would be disclosed as they arose.

3. Confirmation of minutes of the previous meeting

Moved: Cr Riley

That the minutes of meeting No 68, held on Tuesday 19 November 2019, be confirmed.

Seconded: Cr Pinder-Mortimer

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley 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

There were no public questions.

6. Reports from management

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, advised that the following submissions had been received in accordance with the Council's *Meeting Procedures Code*.

Submissions/Correspondence

In relation to Agenda item 6.1, 'Planning Permit Application: TP-2017-931/A, 407-415 King Street, West Melbourne':

<u>Requests to speak:</u>

- Kerrie Batrouney
- Liam Riordan, Tract Consultants
- Ansuya Bhat, Ratio Consultants
- Alan Temling.

Items of Correspondence:

- Kerrie Batrouney
- Liam Riordan, Tract Consultants
- Ansuya Bhat, Ratio Consultants
- Alan Temling.

Confirmed minutes

In relation to Agenda item 6.4, 'Planning Permit Application: TP-2018-429, 96-102 Franklin Street, Melbourne':

Requests to speak:

• Andrea Pagliaro, Urbis.

Items of Correspondence:

• Rohan Storey, Melbourne Heritage Action.

In relation to Agenda item 6.5, 'Yarra River - Birrarung Strategy':

Requests to speak:

- John Salisbury, Bluebottle
- Matt Sykes
- Chris Leonards, Platform One
- Timothy Bracher, Yarra River Business Association
- Andrew Raftis, Melbourne Maritime Heritage Network
- David Goodwin, President Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand and Director Melbourne Maritime Heritage Network
- Andrew Milward-Bason, Urban Creative
- Tony Penna, Southbank Residents Association.

Items of Correspondence:

- John Salisbury, Bluebottle
- Matt Sykes
- Law Donnelly
- Chris Leonards, Platform One
- Timothy Bracher, Yarra River Business Association
- Andrew Raftis, Melbourne Maritime Heritage Network
- David Goodwin, President Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand and Director Melbourne Maritime Heritage Network
- Andrew Milward-Bason, Urban Creative
- Felicity Watson, President Yarra Pools
- Tony Penna, Southbank Residents Association.

In relation to Agenda item 7.2, 'Notice of Motion, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood: Improving Peel, William and Victoria Streets pedestrian safety':

Item of Correspondence:

Ray Cowling.

Planning Portfolio

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

6.1 Planning Permit Application: TP-2017-931/A, 407-415 King Street, West Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Future Melbourne Committee of an application to amend planning permit TP-2017-931.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Kerri Batrouney
- Liam Riordan, Tract Consultants.

Ansuya Bhat, Ratio Consultants and Alan Temling had both requested to address the committee but did not attend the meeting.

Confirmed minutes

Moved: Cr Reece

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

Seconded: Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Councillor Reece, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Riley and Watts.

6.2 Planning Permit Application: TP-2019-97, 103 Hotham Street, East Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of a planning permit application seeking approval for partial demolition, alterations and additions to the rear of the existing dwelling and variation to Easement E-3 on Plan of Subdivision 063703 at 103 Hotham Street, East Melbourne.

Moved: Cr Reece

That the Future Melbourne Committee resolves to issue a Planning Permit subject to the conditions outlined in the delegate report (refer Attachment 4 to the management report).

Seconded: Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Councillor Reece, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Riley and Watts.

6.3 Planning Permit Application: TP-2019-619, 67-121 Kensington Road, Kensington (JJ Holland Park)

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of a planning permit application for land located at 67-121 Kensington Road, Kensington otherwise known as JJ Holland Park.

Moved: Cr Reece

That the Future Melbourne Committee resolves to issue a Planning Permit subject to the conditions outlined in the delegate report (refer Attachment 4 to the management report).

Seconded: Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Councillor Reece, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Riley and Watts.

6.4 Planning Permit Application: TP-2018-429, 96-102 Franklin Street, Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of planning permit application TP-2018-429.

Andrea Pagliaro, Urbis addressed the Committee.

Moved: Cr Reece

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

Seconded: Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Councillor Reece, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Riley and Watts.

6.5 Yarra River – Birrarung Strategy

The purpose of this report was to seek Committee endorsement for the Yarra River - Birrarung Strategy.

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood left the meeting at 6.15pm and returned at 6.17pm.

Councillor Le Liu left the meeting at 6.27pm and returned at 6.29.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- John Salisbury, Bluebottle
- Matt Sykes
- Timothy Bracher, Yarra River Business Association
- Andrew Raftis, Melbourne Maritime Heritage Network
- David Goodwin, President Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand and Director Melbourne Maritime Heritage Network
- Andrew Milward-Bason, Urban Creative
- Tony Penna, Southbank Residents Association.

Moved: Cr Reece

- 1. That Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1. Endorses the Yarra River Birrarung Strategy.
 - 1.2. Authorises the General Manager Strategy, Planning and Climate Change to make any further minor editorial changes to the Strategy if required, prior to publication.]

Seconded: Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Councillor Reece, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Riley and Watts.

The Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, resumed the role of Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

7. General business

There were two items of General business for consideration.

7.1 Notice of Motion, Councillor Leppert: Raise Newstart

Moved: Cr Leppert

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1. Agrees with John Howard, the Business Council of Australia, the Australian Council of Social Service, Australian Local Government Australia, the Municipal Association of Victoria and Australian Council of Trade Unions that the rate of Newstart, which has not been increased in real terms since 1994, is too low and entrenches poverty.
 - 1.2. Joins other Local Government bodies in calling for an immediate increase in the rate of Newstart by at least \$75 per week, followed by a further review to ensure that Newstart enables an acceptable standard of living, including access to safe and secure housing.

- 1.3. Notes that approximately 2,300 City of Melbourne residents receive Newstart including 400 that also include Youth Allowance, and expresses significant concern at the increasingly unaffordable cost of living in the City of Melbourne especially for the unemployed and underemployed.
- 1.4. Requests the Lord Mayor and CEO to:
 - a. Write to the Treasurer and Social Services Minister, and all members of the House and Senate with constituents in the City of Melbourne, requesting that they legislate for an increase in Newstart and pursue a further review in line with the terms of this resolution.
 - b. Propose that the Council of Capital City Lord Mayors include the raising of Newstart in its advocacy to the Commonwealth Government.

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

The motion was put and carried with the following Councillors voting for the motion: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Leppert, Louey, Reece, Riley and Watts. Councillors Le Liu and Pinder-Mortimer abstained from voting.

7.2 Notice of Motion, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood: Improving Peel, William and Victoria Streets pedestrian safety

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1. Requests the Chief Executive Officer to write to VicRoads requesting the speed reduction from 60km/h to 40km/h on the following streets:
 - 1.1.1. Peel Street between Dudley Street roundabout and Victoria Street
 - 1.1.2. William Street between Dudley Street roundabout and La Trobe Street.

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- 1.2. Requests management to investigate the impacts of a hook-turn from Victoria Street into Peel Street.
- 1.3. Requests management to work with Yarra Trams to investigate opportunities to improve traffic signalling and overall tram efficiency along Peel and Victoria Streets.

Seconded: Cr Pinder-Mortimer

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

8. Urgent business

There were no items of proposed urgent business for consideration.

9. Public questions

Chris Thrum asked a question regarding the Yarra River – Birrarung Strategy, and whether during the detailed strategy planning, consideration could be given to focussing on the importance of sunlight, the health of the ecosystem and be cognisant of the importance of the rowing community and also to emphasise the importance of Aboriginal customs such as building canoes out of trees.

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp advised that Chris's questions would be fed back to the relevant work area.

Chris Thrum asked if the Lord Mayor would acknowledge that she is sympathetic to the feelings of the Chilean community and fellow Chileans in regard to the protests and repression they are experiencing.

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp advised she would take the question on notice, confer and consider making a statement at a future meeting.

Chris Leonards asked a question regarding the Yarra River – Birrarung Strategy and the anticipated length of the project (from start to finish).

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp advised it would take a long time as the endorsed strategy is a high level vision which requires a large amount of work, funding, consultation and advocacy. Council will start to work towards implementation plans on various aspects of the strategy.

10. Closure of meeting

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, declared the meeting closed at 7.42pm.

To be confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee on Tuesday 4 February 2020.

Jally Capp

Chair Future Melbourne Committee

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