

**CITY OF MELBOURNE** 

# **Council Meeting**

# **Minutes**

**Meeting Number 48 Tuesday 10 December 2019** 5.30pm

> **Council Chambers** Level 2 **Melbourne Town Hall**

# **Present**

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

# **Apology**

Councillor Cathy Oke

# 1. Commencement of meeting and apologies

The meeting commenced at 5.31pm.

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, 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 one report from Committee, nine reports from management, two of which were confidential, and four items of general business.
- an apology had been received from Councillor 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:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

That the minutes of meeting No 47, held on Tuesday 26 November 2019, be confirmed.

Seconded:

Cr Riley

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 Frances Gilley, 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.

### Submissions/Correspondence

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

#### **Submissions**

In relation to Agenda item 5.1, 'Proposed road discontinuance of part of Franklin Street and part of Queen Street, Melbourne':

#### Items of correspondence:

- Bob Evans
- Lawrence Petruzzelli
- Kris Butler
- CG Hughes
- Pamela Dale
- David Legge
- Mary-Lou Howie, President Friends of Queen Victoria Market
- Anna Petruzzelli
- Geoffrey Love
- Cheryl McKinna
- Richard Grace
- Anna Panettieri
- Philip Rounsevell
- Bernadette O'Connor
- Patricia Ni Ivor
- Helen Hooper

- Mary Drost
- Margot Burrows
- Paul Cheredichenko
- Elizabeth Bodsworth
- M Laurie
- Dr Miriam Faine, Secretary Friends of Queen Victoria Market
- Marisa Wilkins
- Gab Pretto
- Katherine Greening
- Ralph Domino
- Anne Horrigan-Dixon
- Catherina Toh
- Stephen Hatcher
- Anna C.

In relation to Agenda item 6.3, 'Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal (QVMPR): Community engagement on future uses and activities for Market Square':

### Items of Correspondence

- Mary-Lou Howie, President Friends of Queen Victoria Market
- CG Hughes.

In relation to Agenda item 6.6, '2020 City of Melbourne Business Mission, China and Japan':

#### Item of correspondence:

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#### 5. Reports from Committee

There was one report from Committee for consideration in the open session.

# 5.1 Proposed road discontinuance of part of Franklin Street and part of Queen Street, Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to recommend the discontinuance of parts of Franklin and Queen Streets, Melbourne, in accordance with sections 206(1), 207A and 223, and clause 3 of schedule 10 of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

Moved:

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp

- 1. That Council:
  - 1.1. Discontinue part of the roads known as Franklin Street and Queen Street, Melbourne, labelled as Parcels A and B on the plan in the public notice published in The Age on 19 September 2019 (Proposal), subject to management:
    - 1.1.1. implementing the recommendations in the Traffic Impact Assessment report dated 1 November 2019 prepared by Cardno Victoria Pty Ltd (Recommendations) under delegation
    - 1.1.2. investigating options to replace the existing greenery elsewhere in the precinct for the reason that:
      - 1.1.2.1. the Proposal aligns with the Council's Transport Strategy 2030 and will improve safety, accessibility and connectivity for cyclists, pedestrians and public transport users

- 1.1.2.2. implementation of the Recommendations, will address concerns by objectors in respect to the impact to motorists and other users, in nearby streets and intersections
- 1.1.2.3. the roads are no longer required as roads and their discontinuance and the implementation of the Recommendations, will result in an overall improvement in traffic conditions in the vicinity for all users
- 1.1.2.4. although the loss of any open space is regrettable, especially if it involves mature trees, the benefits of the Proposal in association with the implementation of the Recommendations, significantly outweigh the detriments raised by objectors
- 1.1.2.5. the gazettal of the discontinuance will be timed to minimise the adverse impact on the public, and may occur in stages
- 1.1.2.6. a number of the issues raised by submitters are outside of the scope of the Proposal
- investigating options to configure Franklin St west of Queen St as a twoway carriageway.
- 1.2. Notify in writing every person who has lodged a separate submission of the decision and reasons for the decision.

Seconded: Cr L

Cr Leppert

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

# 6. Reports from management

There were seven reports from management for consideration in the open session.

# 6.1 Records of Assemblies of Councillors

The purpose of this report was to present the most recent written records of assemblies of Councillors for Council to note.

Moved:

Cr Riley

That Council notes the written records of the assemblies of Councillors as detailed in Attachment 2 to the management report.

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

# 6.2 Publishing Tender Recommendations

At its meeting on 29 October 2019, the Council resolved to defer this matter to the 26 November 2019 Council meeting and requested that additional advice and options be provided to the Council at that time. This included reviewing the feasibility and ramifications of a tender awarding model that provides transparency of decisions made in open session of Council, while ensuring all tender commercially sensitive information provided remains confidential.

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Moved:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

That Council notes the current practice of considering Tender Reports in 'open' session will continue, unless the Chief Executive Officer deems it necessary to consider the report in 'closed' session, due to commercial or other sensitivities with the tender.

Seconded:

Cr Leppert

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

# 6.3 Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal (QVMPR): Community engagement on future uses and activities for Market Square

At the September 2019 Future Melbourne Committee meeting, Council resolved that management commence a public engagement process to develop a charter for Market Square, to confirm the purpose, objectives and function of the new public space, and its integration with the Queen's Corner Building, with a report to Council in December 2019.

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood left the meeting at 6.12pm and returned at 6.15pm.

Councillors Frances Gilley and Le Liu left the meeting at 6.15pm and returned at 6.17pm.

Moved:

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp

- 1. That Council:
  - 1.1. Notes the consultant report and findings from the community engagement process on proposed uses and activities for Market Square.
  - 1.2. Endorses management's intention to develop a charter for Market Square informed by the community engagement findings, to be presented to a future Council meeting in March 2020, aligned with the commencement of a design process for Market Square.
  - 1.3. Requests management to ensure that the market charter will inform the design brief for Market Square, and that that design brief should include a requirement for robust surfaces and paving treatments in appropriate areas to meet the operational needs of traders and the community at Queen Victoria Market, including vehicle access at designated times.

Seconded:

Cr Leppert

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

#### 6.4 Draft Melbourne: A Great Place to Age strategic plan

The purpose of this report was to seek Council's endorsement to consult with the community in December 2019 and January 2020 on the draft *Melbourne A Great Place to Age* strategic plan.

Moved:

Cr Pinder-Mortimer

That Council endorses management undertaking community engagement in December 2019 and January 2020 in relation to the draft Melbourne: A Great Place to Age strategic plan and reporting to the Future Melbourne Committee in March 2020 for endorsement of the strategic plan.

Seconded:

Cr Watts

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

### 6.5 Melbourne Knowledge Week 2020 Planning Phase

The purpose of this report was to present the concept and strategy for Melbourne Knowledge Week 2020 as part of the planning phase of the events management cycle.

Councillors Frances Gilley and Le Liu left the meeting at 7.01pm and returned at 7.03pm.

Moved:

Cr Watts

That Council endorses the 2020 Melbourne Knowledge Week event model.

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

### 6.6 2020 City of Melbourne business mission, China and Japan

The purpose of this report was to seek determination on which Councillors will accompany the Lord Mayor, Sally Capp in leading a City of Melbourne business mission to China (Chengdu, Hangzhou, Suzhou, Nanjing, Taipei and Tianjin) and Japan (Osaka and Tokyo) in late March/early April 2020.

Moved:

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp

That Council nominates Councillors Philip Le Liu, Kevin Louey and Susan Riley to accompany the Lord Mayor, Sally Capp in leading the 2020 City of Melbourne business mission to China and Japan in 2020.

Seconded:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

# 6.7 Funding Support Requests December 2019

The purpose of this report was to seek direction from Council as to whether recent requests for funding should be funded from the discretionary fund.

Moved:

Cr Pinder-Mortimer

- 1. That Council:
  - 1.1. Approves the purchase of a table of ten to the Australia China Business Council International Women's Day Gala Event on 5 March 2020 to the value of \$1600 inclusive of GST.
  - 1.2. Approves the purchase of a table of ten to the TEN Women Major Charity Event on 19 June 2020 to the value of \$3500.

Seconded:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

#### 7. General business

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

# 7.1 Participation in meeting with Bloomberg Philanthropies, Lord Mayor Sally Capp, New York, USA, October 2019

The purpose of this report was to inform Council on the meeting that the Lord Mayor Sally Capp undertook with Bloomberg Philanthropies in New York, United States of America whilst on private travel in October 2019. Councillor Cathy Oke, who was also in New York on private travel, participated in the meeting.

Moved:

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp

That Council notes the report by Lord Mayor Sally Capp on outcomes from her meeting with Bloomberg Philanthropies in New York, United States of America whilst on private travel in October 2019.

Seconded:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

#### 7.2 Item withdrawn

Agenda item 7.2 was withdrawn from the Agenda prior to the meeting.

# 7.3 Participation in ICLEI meetings, Resilient Cities Congress (Bonn, Germany) and Ecocity World Summit (Vancouver, Canada), Councillor Cathy Oke, 2019

The purpose of this report was to inform Council on participation by Councillor Cathy Oke in the following:

- 1.1. ICLEI Local Governments and Sustainability (ICLEI) Global Executive Committee meeting, World Secretariat Board Meeting and the Resilient Cities Congress 2019 in Bonn, Germany.
- 1.2. The Ecocity World Summit 2019 in Vancouver, Canada.

Moved:

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp

That Council notes the report by Councillor Cathy Oke on participation in ICLEI meetings and the Resilient Cities Congress in Bonn, Germany and the Ecocity World Summit 2019 in Vancouver, Canada at no cost to Council.

Seconded:

Cr Frances Gilley

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

# 7.4 Participation in Korea Foundation Program for Distinguished Guests, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood, South Korea, September 2019

The purpose of this report was to inform Council on the outcomes of the Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood's participation in the Korea Foundation Program for Distinguished Guests, and other meetings, while in South Korea in September 2019.

Moved:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

That Council notes the report by the Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood on travel to South Korea for the 2019 Korea Foundation Program for Distinguished Guests and associated meetings in September 2019.

Seconded:

Cr Frances Gilley

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

# 7.5 Notice of Motion: Councillor Reece, City of Melbourne support for Can't Do Tomorrow

Moved:

Cr Reece

- 1. That Council:
  - 1.1 Approves funding of \$30,000 to Can't Do Tomorrow for delivery of its urban art festival 20-29 February 2020, with funds drawn from the Public Art operations (\$10,000), Strategic Partnership Program (\$5,000) and Discretionary Fund (\$15,000).
  - 1.2 Requests management enter into an agreement with the Can't Do Tomorrow Festival to provide funding support for: a) A free community workshops program, and b) Documentation of the Festival through photography, video and publications.
  - 1.3 Approves additional in kind support and assistance in the form of marketing of the program through City of Melbourne channels.

Seconded:

Cr Leppert

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

# 8. Urgent business

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

# 9. Closure of meeting

Moved:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

That pursuant to sections 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 items 14.1 and 14.2 as they contain information which if released would prejudice the Council or any person.

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Seconded:

Cr Riley

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, declared the open meeting closed at 7.35pm.

Confirmed at the meeting of Council on Tuesday 25 February 2020.

Chair Council