

CITY OF MELBOURNE

Future Melbourne Committee

Minutes

Meeting Number 77 Tuesday 2 June 2020 5.30pm

Council Chamber Level 2 Melbourne Town Hall

Present

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

Confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee On 23 June 2020

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 four reports from management and three items of general business
- no apologies had been received.

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 Frances-Gilley

That the minutes of meeting No 76, held on Tuesday 19 May 2020, 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, Oke, 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

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, advised that the Committee had received two public questions.

Bea McNicholas addressed the Committee, via an audio link, and asked a question in relation to Agenda Item 6.4 Market Square Charter and Place Name and the submission which had been received from the Royal Historic Society of Victoria. Ms McNicholas asked if the Committee intended to commit to the changes which the Royal Historic Society of Victoria had recommended in its submission.

The Lord Mayor, Sally Capp advised that the question would be taken on notice and would be addressed during the debate at Agenda Item 6.4.

The Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, advised that the Committee had received a written question from Bob Evans in relation to Agenda Item 6.4 Market Square Charter and Place Name.

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, noted that the question included some statements and, in reading those statements out loud, the Chair was not attesting to the veracity or factual nature of those statements.

'When was the proposed Market Square Charter finalised by the General Manager Capital Project and Infrastructure?

When was proposed charter presented to councillors?

Why has the community been given less than 24 hours to respond to the invitation by email from Participate Melbourne to review the proposed charter?

Since the community has been given less than 24 hours to review the proposed charter will the Future Melbourne Committee postpone the vote to adopt the Market Square Charter until the community has had at least two weeks to review the charter and make more fully informed submissions?'

The Lord Mayor, Sally Capp advised that at the Council meeting on 10 December 2019, Councillors unanimously endorsed a resolution for the development of a Market Square Charter. The draft charter was presented at the Council meeting held on 26 May 2020 and has been available for public comment since 21 May 2020. The draft charter has been informed by community engagement processes and was circulated through stakeholder networks including the regular subscriber newsletter and Participate Melbourne.

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, 'Maribyrnong Waterfront: A Way Forward':

Request to speak:

David Scalzo, Perri Projects.

Items of Correspondence:

- David Scalzo, Perri Projects
- David Guyett, Kensington Property Trust
- Nicholas Touzeau, Planning & Property Partners
- John Wood, Dominion Group.

In relation to Agenda item 6.3, 'City of the Future/Recovery Taskforce - proposed approach and delivery model':

Item of Correspondence:

· Artemis Pattichi, Southbank Sustainability Group.

In relation to Agenda item 6.4, 'Market Square Charter and Place Name':

Requests to speak:

- Mary-Lou Howie
- Leah Moore
- Charles Sowerwine, Royal Historical Society of Victoria
- Frank Fontana
- Bea McNicholas
- Miriam Faine.

Items of Correspondence:

•	Melissa Laing	•	Robyn Faulkner	•	Dotty Maierhofer
•	Brendan Kajang Lawley	10	Tracey Nguyen	•	Herman Maierhofer
•	Lynn Ellison	•	Jasmine Ong	•	Hongli Li
•	Michael Grier	•	Janice Crosswhite John	•	Muye Niu
•	Dylan tucker		Rosenberg	•	Chang Zhang
•	Stef Valona	•	Zdzislaw Wozniak	•	Jifendg Zhu
•	Sabrina Baker	•	Mary-Lou Howie	•	Cheryl McKinna
•	David Gaherty	•	Michaela Walsh	•	Brian Murray
•	Mary Cotton	•	Wei Xu	•	Lei Niu
•	Ross Carnegie	•	Simon Dan	•	Bea McNicholas
9	Claire Farrell	•	Mick Bellairs	•	Miriam Faine
•	Laura Westcott	•	Frederick Brady	•	Paul Howie
•	Isobel Barnard	•	Chin Man Lo	•	Ms Butler
•	Charles Lithoxopoulos	•	Catherine Xu	,•	Glen Duncan
•	Ward Selby	•	Lawrence Liu	•	Stephen McLennan
•	Michelle Prately	•	Tom Burtsall	•	Michael-Lee Caiafa

- Lorna HannanBrooke Feely
- Alexandra Lee
- Gabbi Pretto
- Liz Aird
- Patricia Anastasakis
- D Krouskos
- Brett Foulis
- Stan Liacos, CEO Queen Victoria Market Ptv Ltd
- Jennifer Grimwade
- Peter Scott

- Marshall Waters
- Sigrid Thornton
- Felicity Watson, National
 - Trust
- Rocco Tripodi
- Tania Davidge
- Leah Moore
- Nicholas Dow
 - Marion Crooke
 - Paul Freestone
- Heath Gledhill, Australian

Institute of Landscape

Architects

- Jue Wang
- Tony Sun
- Rosa Ansaldo
 - Dandan Li
- Charles Sowerwine, Royal Historical Society of
 - Victoria
- Congcong Li
- Aidi Quan
- Frank Fontana
 - Peter Donnell

In relation to Agenda item 7.1, 'Notice of Motion, Cr Rohan Leppert: Southbank Promenade':

Request to speak:

Tony Penna, Southbank Residents Association.

Items of Correspondence:

- Graeme Butler
- Matthew Pearse
- Tristan Davies, Melbourne Heritage Action
- Dan O'Keeffe
- Tony Penna, Southbank Residents Association.

In relation to Agenda item 7.2, 'Notice of Motion, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp: Apartment Living':

Requests to speak:

- Julie McLean, Strata Community Association
- Tony Penna, Southbank Residents Association.

Items of Correspondence:

- Daniel Brace
- Julie McLean, Strata Community Association
- Tony Penna, Southbank Residents Association.

Planning Portfolio

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

6.1 Maribyrnong Waterfront: A Way Forward

The purpose of this report was to seek endorsement for *Maribyrnong Waterfront: A Way Forward* which recommends a position on land-use and spatial planning for the Maribyrnong waterfront area. The area includes the full length of the City of Melbourne's interface with the Maribyrnong River, excluding Port of Melbourne land, and is bordered by the Dynon rail yards and Kensington residential area to the east.

The following person addressed the Committee:

David Scalzo, Perri Projects.

Moved:

Cr Reece

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1 Endorses the Maribyrnong Waterfront: A Way Forward as Council's position, inclusive of its finding that the current Commercial 2 land use zone in the defined

area should be retained for the medium term, and with the additional 'future opportunity' included in the Transport and Access section after the second dot point: "To broker public pedestrian access between Kensington Road and the Maribyrnong River along the powerline easement, and provide a quality link".

- 1.2 Requests management work with existing businesses through economic development to realise the opportunities of existing and adjacent land uses to support a significant employment area in City of Melbourne.
- 1.3 Notes the future opportunities identified for regenerating and celebrating the river, flood management, achieving connectivity, and concepts for public realm improvements are propositional only and are not costed projects.
- 1.4 Notes that the Aboriginal Cultural Values Assessment and engagement with Traditional Owners should form the basis of any future progression of projects in this area.
- 1.5 Authorises the General Manager Strategy Planning and Climate Change Action to update the document again after any decision by this Committee to approve a Development Plan for 'West Melbourne Waterfront' in order to reflect the significant activity functions of any approved Plan, and also make any further minor editorial changes to the document, 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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Riley and Watts.

6.2 Seafarers Rest Park Design Stage 2 Community Engagement

The purpose of this report was to update Council on Seafarers Rest Park design and seek endorsement for Council officers to commence Stage 2 community engagement in June 2020 for a six week period. The project responds to the City of Melbourne's Open Space Strategy and is identified in the Docklands Public Realm Plan.

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood left the meeting at 6.21pm and returned at 6.23pm.

Moved: Cr Reece

That the Future Melbourne Committee authorises Council officers to commence Seafarers Rest Park Design Stage 2 community engagement for a six week period commencing 3 June 2020, and recommend a final version of the concept plan to this Committee for endorsement.

Seconded: Cr Watts

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

6.3 City of the Future/Recovery Taskforce - proposed approach and delivery model

The purpose of this report was to seek endorsement of the City of the Future/Recovery Taskforce approach and delivery model.

Cr Le Liu left the meeting at 6.37pm and returned at 6.38pm.

Moved: Lord Mayor Sally Capp

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1. Endorses the City of the Future/Recovery Taskforce delivery model and approach (refer Attachment 2 of the report from management).

1.2. Notes the stakeholder consultation strategy involving local and international experts through Melbourne Conversations events.

Seconded:

Cr Frances-Gilley

Cr Le Liu left the meeting at 6.58pm and returned at 7.07pm.

Cr Louey left the meeting at 7.14pm, prior to the vote being taken, and did not return.

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

Major Projects Portfolio

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp assumed the role of Chair for the Committee to consider one report from management in relation to the Major Projects Portfolio.

6.4 Market Square Charter and Place Name

The purpose of this report was to request that the Future Melbourne Committee recommend that Council adopt the Market Square Charter (the Charter) for the new public open space at Queen Victoria Market (QVM), and recommend that management pursue an Aboriginal place name for Market Square.

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood left the meeting at 7.23pm and returned at 7.25pm.

Cr Pinder-Mortimer left the meeting at 7.22pm and returned at 7.26pm.

Cr Leppert left the meeting at 7.31pm and returned at 7.32pm.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Mary-Lou Howie
- Leah Moore
- Charles Sowerwine, Royal Historical Society of Victoria
- Frank Fontana
- Bea McNicholas
- Miriam Faine.

Moved:

Lord Mayor Sally Capp

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee recommends that Council:
 - 1.1. Endorses the Market Square Charter (the Charter (Attachment 2 of the report from management)) as the framework for the new public open space, to inform the design and guide future management and operations.
 - 1.2. Endorses management, in conjunction with Aboriginal Melbourne, consulting with the relevant Traditional Owner groups and determining an Aboriginal place name for the new public open space.
 - 1.3. Authorises the General Manager Capital Projects and Infrastructure to make any further minor editorial changes to the Charter prior to publication.
 - 1.4. Acknowledges the Charter will be reviewed and updated at two key points: when a new place name is established, and when the design process is complete and the square is operational to ensure that the Charter accurately reflects the final outcomes.

Seconded:

Cr Reece

Cr Watts gave notice that she intended to move an alternate motion in the event the substantive motion failed.

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Oke, Reece and Riley, and the following Councillors voting against the motion: Councillors Pinder-Mortimer and Watts.

Councillor Watts requested that her opposition to the carried motion be noted in the minutes, stating that she supported the alternative motion foreshadowed during the debate, which read as follows:

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee recommends that Council:
 - 1.1. Endorses the Market Square Charter (the Charter) included as Attachment 2 to the report from management as the framework for the re-purposed heritage public open space, to inform the design and guide future management and operations subject to incorporation of the following amendments to the Charter:
 - 1.1.1. Paragraph 2 on page 4 revised to read as follows:

'Drawing on the heritage significance of both the Market Square site and the QVM, the shared context, proximity to and working relationship with the Queen Victoria Market, Market Square is a place for social and community exchange. It responds to both the diversity of the city, and the fine grain mercantile nature of the Queen Victoria Market.'

1,1.2. Paragraphs 4 and 5 on page 4 revised to read as follows:

'In keeping with the City of Melbourne's public open space commitments, this charter provides a framework to direct decision making on the activities, uses and management of Market Square. The charter will foster the desired sense of place and identity and ensure the intended purpose for this re-purposed heritage public open space is realised and protected.

The Charter particularly applies to the curation and flexible management of the space and the approach to programmed activities, alongside informal recreation, reflection and relaxation.'

- 1.1.3. Paragraph 5 under Background on page 4 to be deleted.
- 1.1.4. Inclusion of a new dot point under Principles on page 5, under Design on page 6 and under Operations on page 6 which reads as follows:

'Acknowledge that Market Square activities and flexible use of space has a role to play in sustaining the economic viability of the QVM'

1.1.5. Dot point four under Design on page 6 to read as follows:

'Include spaces for informal public access and use, and spaces for programmed activities, available at a range of times and for a variety of purposes including access for parking where warranted.'

1.1.6. Dot point six under Design on page 6 to reads as follows:

'Promote social, environmental and economic sustainability of QVM.'

- 1.2. Endorses the proposed establishment of a Market Square/QVM Advisory Committee and requests management to advise on appropriate membership and function to facilitate Charter implementation, design and on-going integration of activities to sustain the economic viability of QVM.
- 1.3. Endorses management, in conjunction with Aboriginal Melbourne, consulting with the relevant Traditional Owner groups and determining an Aboriginal place name for the new public open space without negating consideration of colonial heritage nor that of recent migrant groups.
- 1.4. Authorises the General Manager Capital Projects and Infrastructure to make any further minor editorial changes to the Charter prior to publication.
- 1.5. Acknowledges the Charter will be reviewed and updated at two key points: when a new place name may be agreed and when the design process is complete and the square is operational to ensure that the Charter accurately reflects the final outcomes.

Cr Frances-Gilley left the meeting at 8,47pm and did not return.

7. General business

There were three items of General business for consideration.

7.1 Notice of Motion, Cr Rohan Leppert: Southbank Promenade

The following person addressed the Committee:

Tony Penna, Southbank Residents Association.

Moved:

Cr Leppert

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1 Notes the resolution of this Committee of 18 February 2020 in relation to a planning permit application TP-2019-703 to refurbish part of Southbank Promenade: "That the Future Melbourne Committee, as proponent, determines that the planning permit once issued not be acted upon until such time as the Future Melbourne Committee or Melbourne City Council specifically resolves to do so."
 - 1.2 Notes the announcement by the City of Melbourne on 15 March 2020 that works on Southbank Promenade will be delayed until 2021 to reduce disruption.
 - 1.3 Resolves to make use of this time to seek public feedback on the concept plan for the proposed works.
 - 1.4 Requests management to establish an opportunity for public feedback on the concept plans on the Participate Melbourne site for a period of four weeks, and specifically invite submissions from the Arts Centre, Melbourne Heritage Action, Victoria Walks, Bicycle Victoria, Southbank Residents Association and Australian Institute of Landscape Architects, and consider the feedback and provide a recommendation to this committee on 18 August 2020 as to next steps, noting that that could be the opportunity to:
 - 1.4.1 Enact the provision created by this Committee on 18 February 2020 (as described in paragraph 1); or
 - 1.4.2 Pursue a planning permit for a different design; or
 - 1.4.3 Further delay works given the context of COVID-19; or
 - 1.4.4 Pursue any other option.

Seconded: Cr Reece

The Lord Mayor, Sally Capp advised that the live stream of the meeting had been interrupted, and that the meeting was to be suspended until the live stream could be re-established in order to comply with the provisions of sections 394 and 395 of the *Local Government Act 2020*.

The meeting was suspended at 8:55pm

Cr Reece left the meeting at 8:58pm and did not return.

The meeting resumed at 9.01pm with the following committee members present; the Chair, Lord Mayor Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Le Liu, Leppert, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Riley and Watts.

Moved: Cr

Cr Leppert

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Promenade: "That the Future Melbourne Committee, as proponent, determines that the planning permit once issued not be acted upon until such time as the Future Melbourne Committee or Melbourne City Council specifically resolves to do so."

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 - 1.4.2 Pursue a planning permit for a different design; or
 - 1.4.3 Further delay works given the context of COVID-19; or
 - 1.4.4 Pursue any other option.

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 Le Liu, Leppert, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Riley and Watts.

7.2 Notice of Motion, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp: Apartment Living

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Julie McLean, Strata Community Association Victoria
- Tony Penna, Southbank Residents Association and Southbank Owners Corporation Network.

Moved: Lord Mayor, Sally Capp

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1 Notes that:
 - 1.1.1 Apartment living has for many years been a fast growing part of City of Melbourne delivering lifestyle, social, environmental and economic benefits for Melbourne.
 - 1.1.2 COVID-19 and the requirements for spatial distancing together with changed living and work patterns have presented distinct challenges for those living in close proximity in apartment buildings.
 - 1.1.3 Volunteer owners corporations and strata title owners require tailored support to manage the complex challenges of apartment living.
 - 1.2 Requests management to:
 - 1.2.1 Review the information, advice, services and programs that the City of Melbourne provides regarding apartment living to tenants, strata title owners, building managers and owners corporations, including in relation to the running of building services and improving environmental outcomes, with a

view to ensuring that such information is presented and targeted as efficiently and accessibly as practicable.

- 1.2.2 Review available information, advice, services and programs about living and working in apartments and office towers during the COVID-19 pandemic, and provide advice on cost effective interventions that promote safe and harmonious behaviours and measures, including but not limited to:
 - 1.2.2.1 Interpreting public health orders;
 - 1.2.2.2 Template protocols for high touch areas and shared spaces;
 - 1.2.2.3 Materials guiding safety and cleanliness;
 - 1.2.2.4 New building access channels; and
 - 1.2.2.5 Template good practice decision making guides for Owners Corporations.
- 1.2.3 Deliver as soon as practicable a Virtual Support Workshop for the Strata Community to listen to and also provide advice and support for tenants, strata title owners, building managers and owners corporation members on managing buildings and building services during COVID-19.

Seconded:

Cr Le Liu

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, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Riley and Watts.

7.3 Notice of Motion, Cr Beverley Pinder: The Couch International Student Program

Moved:

Cr Pinder-Mortimer

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1 Requests management to undertake an assessment of The Couch International Student Program (Program) and how the return of this Program could align with and enhance measures and initiatives introduced or supported by the City of Melbourne to help international students.
 - 1.2 Recommends that a recommendation be included in the management report to the special committee meeting on 29 June 2020 to enable consideration of support for such a program in 2020-21.

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 Le Liu, Leppert, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Riley and Watts.

Urgent business

There were no items of proposed urgent business for consideration.

9. Public questions

There were no further public questions.

10. Closure of meeting

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, declared the meeting closed at 9.42pm.

Confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee on Tuesday 23 June 2020.

Sally Chair Future Melbourne Committee

