

Future Melbourne Committee Minutes

Meeting Number 8 Tuesday 13 April 2021 5.30pm

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Council Chamber

Present

Lord Mayor Sally Capp
Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece
Councillor Dr Olivia Ball
Councillor Roshena Campbell
Councillor Jason Chang
Councillor Elizabeth Doidge
Councillor Davydd Griffiths
Councillor Jamal Hakim
Councillor Philip Le Liu
Councillor Rohan Leppert
Councillor Kevin Louey

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1. Commencement of meeting and apologies

The meeting commenced at 5.30pm.

Cr Chang arrived at the meeting at 5.31pm.

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 seven reports from management
- no apologies had been received from Councillors.

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 Chang

That the minutes of meeting No 7, held on Tuesday 16 March 2021, be confirmed.

Seconded:

Cr Campbell

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece and Councillors Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Leppert and Louey.

4. Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meetings

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

5. Public questions

Cr Le Liu arrived at the meeting at 5.39pm.

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp advised that six written public questions had been received.

Four written questions were received in relation to horse drawn vehicles operating within the City of Melbourne. The questions focused on the legality of their operations with a focus on enforcement of street trading and Road Safety Road Rules.

These questions were submitted by:

- Kristin Leigh, Campaign Manager, Melbourne Against Horse-Drawn Carriages
- Alana Bacon
- Elisabeth Viggers
- Rita Cauchi.

The following response was provided by Dean Robertson, Director On-Street Support and Compliance:

Horse Drawn Vehicles (HDV) are classed as a vehicle under the Road Safety Road Rules.

Local Laws officers are tasked and pro-actively monitor HDV for compliance in relation to parking restrictions and illegal street trading.

In relation to parking infringements, many have been issued and most are either before the court as the operator is challenging the Infringement or are with Fines Victoria.

Operators of HDV's can and do take bookings on line, and make arrangements with the customer to collect them at a designated pick up point. This is not street trading as the booking was pre-arranged. Local Laws officers monitor HDV operators for street trading but often there is not enough evidence to issue an Infringement.

Moving violations such as driving in a bike lane, moving through tram stops, accessing Swanston Street without a permit fall to Victoria Police to observe and act. City of Melbourne is working with Victoria Police to improve detection of HDV's moving in or through parts of road ways in breach of the Road Safety Road Rules. It is expected this work will be complete by 30 June 2021 and ongoing enforcement will commence after this date.

Andrew Turner submitted written questions in relation to agenda item 6.4, Plans Endorsement: ID-2020-2, Ikon Park Redevelopment, Princes Park, Carlton. The questions sought clarification on a number of points, these were focused on parking, event lighting and event frequency. It was requested that a written response be provided.

The following response was provided by Larry Parsons, Practice Leader, Land Use and Development:

The requirements as set out in the Incorporated Documents were set by the Minister for Planning, not Council. Council's role is limited to endorsing documentation to satisfy these approved requirements.

- 1. The primary entry point to the site will remain Royal Parade. Existing secondary entries around the ground will not be altered.
- Car parking does not form part of this application and existing parking facilities will not be altered.
 The Council's considerations only include those matters within the Special Controls Overlay (SCO)
 area. This includes new buildings, not parking. The capacity of the ground will be reduced to
 22,000.
- 3. No new parking will be provided. The existing car park to the west of the ground will be maintained. No new car parking and car park entries will be provided east of the ground.
- 4. Parking capacity will not be increased.
- 5. No event day information has yet been provided. The Incorporated Document approved by the Minister for Planning does not require consultation with Yarra CC when/if events are held at the ground. Traffic management issues will be assessed by the City of Melbourne in accordance with the conditions of the Incorporated Document (ID).
- 6. All lighting must be operated in accordance with the Lighting Specification Plan and Broadcast Lighting Management Plan to be considered by the Committee. If third parties consider lighting on event days does not comply with these plans, Planning Enforcement will then investigate.
- 7. The ID requires the submission of Event Management Plans ahead of a qualifying event (in excess of 7,500 patrons). This plan should set out patron numbers, patron management and car parking measures. The relevant condition of the ID does not limit the number of non-football events that can be held on site.

The Chair, Lord Mayor Sally Capp advised that a written response would be provided to Mr Turner as requested.

The Lord Mayor, Sally Capp advised that the final public question would be addressed in the allocated time for public questions towards the end of the meeting.

6. Reports from management

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, advised that the following submissions had been received in accordance with the Council's Governance Rules.

Submissions/Correspondence

In relation to Agenda item 6.1, Planning Permit Application: TP-2020-89, Queen Victoria Market (Trader Shed), 16-94 Peel Street, Melbourne:

Requests to speak:

- Alexander Dowthwaite
- Heather Lawrence
- Jane Stanley
- Charles Sowerwine, Heritage Committee Chair, Royal Historical Society of Victoria
- Mary-Lou Howie, President, Friends of Queen Victoria Market
- Leah Moore

Items of correspondence:

- Alexander Dowthwaite
- Heather Lawrence
- Colin Gunther
- Hanan Mark
- Caterina Toh
- Jane Stanley
- Charles Sowerwine, Royal Historical Society of Victoria
- Mary-Lou Howie, President, Friends of Queen Victoria Market
- Leah Moore
- Daniel Soussan, Tract Consultants
- Miriam Faine, Friends of Queen Victoria Market
- Tony Ansaldo

- Tristan Davies, Melbourne Heritage Action
- Miriam Faine, Friends of Queen Victoria Market
- Tony Ansaldo
- Frank Fontana
- Daniel Soussan and Mia Zar, Tract Consultants.
- Frank Fontana
- Ann and Jim Brady
- Stan Liacos, CEO Queen Victoria Market
- Pamela McKain
- Robin Vowels
- Nick Bourns
- Rocco Tripodi
- Janice Lim
- Paul Howie
- Rocco Modaffari
- Eliza Lim
- Michael Neithorpe
- Mia Zar, Tract Consultants
- John McNabb, McNabb Gomes Architects.

In relation to Agenda item 6.2, Planning Permit Application: TP-2020-101 Queen Victoria Market (Northern Shed), 16-94 Peel Street, Melbourne:

Requests to speak:

- Heather Lawrence
- Jane Stanley
- Charles Sowerwine, Heritage Committee Chair, Royal Historical Society of Victoria
- Mary-Lou Howie, President, Friends of Queen Victoria Market
- Leah Moore
- Miriam Faine, Friends of Queen Victoria Market
- Daniel Soussan and Mia Zar, Tract Consultants

Items of correspondence:

- Heather Lawrence
- Colin Gunther
- Hanan Mark
- Caterina Toh
- Jane Stanley
- Charles Sowerwine, Royal Historical Society of Victoria
- Mary-Lou Howie, President, Friends of Queen Victoria Market
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- Stan Liacos, CEO Queen Victoria Market
- Nick Bourns
- Pamela McKain
- Robin Vowels
- Rocco Tripodi
- Rocco Modaffari
- Eliza Lim
- Bob Evans
- Marissa Wilkins
- David Legge
- Michael Nelthorpe
- John McNabb, McNabb Gomes Architects

In relation to Agenda item 6.3, Planning Permit Application: TP-2020-570, 165-167 Exhibition Street, Melbourne:

Requests to speak:

- Denis Leviny
- Tristian Davies, Melbourne Heritage Action
- Lucas Paterno, URPS Planning.

Items of Correspondence:

- Denis Leviny
- Tristan Davies and Rohan Storey, Melbourne Heritage Action
- Lucas Paterno, URPS Planning.

In relation to Agenda item 6.4, Plans Endorsement: ID-2020-2, Ikon Park Redevelopment, Princes Park, Carlton:

Requests to speak:

- Cain Liddle, CEO Carlton FC
- Chris Townshend, Board member of Carlton FC
- Vaughan Connor, Contour Town Planning.

Items of Correspondence:

- Chris Thrum
- Michael Henderson, Contour Town Planning.

In relation to Agenda item 6.6, Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal - Food Court Concept Design:

Requests to speak:

- Vijay Sivaraj
- Leah Moore.

Items of Correspondence:

- Vijay Sivaraj
- Joe Vitale
- Leah Moore
- Stan Liacos
- Cynthia Lim
- Michael Nelthorpe.

City Planning Portfolio

Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece assumed the role of Chair for the Committee to consider four reports from management in relation to the City Planning Portfolio.

6.1 Planning Permit Application: TP-2020-89 Queen Victoria Market (Trader Shed), 16-94 Peel Street, Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Future Melbourne Committee of a planning permit application seeking approval for demolition, construction of a building, and alteration of access to a road in a Road Zone – Category 1 at the Queen Victoria Market, 16-94 Peel Street, Melbourne.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Heather Lawrence
- Jane Stanley
- Charles Sowerwine, Royal Historical Society of Victoria
- Mary-Lou Howie, President, Friends of Queen Victoria Market
- Leah Moore
- Tristan Davies, Melbourne Heritage Action
- Miriam Faine, Friends of Queen Victoria Market
- Tony Ansaldo
- Frank Fontana

Daniel Soussan, Tract Consultants.

The committee noted that Alexander Dowthwaite, who had requested an opportunity to speak, was not present at the meeting to address the committee.

Moved:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece

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

Seconded:

Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece and Councillors Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

6.2 Planning Permit Application: TP-2020-101 Queen Victoria Market (Northern Shed), 16-94 Peel Street, Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Future Melbourne Committee of a planning permit application seeking approval for demolition, buildings and works, and alteration of access to a road in a Road Zone - Category 1 at Queen Victoria Market, 16-94 Peel Street, Melbourne.

Cr Le Liu left the meeting at 6.45pm and returned at 6.47pm.

Cr Leppert left the meeting at 6.56pm and returned at 6.58pm.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Heather Lawrence
- Jane Stanley
- Charles Sowerwine, Royal Historical Society of Victoria
- Leah Moore
- Miriam Faine, Friends of Queen Victoria Market

Mary-Lou Howie, President, Friends of Queen Victoria Market, decided not to further address the committee.

Daniel Soussan and Mia Zar, Tract Consultants, decided not to further address the committee.

Moved:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece

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

Seconded:

Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece and Councillors Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

6.3 Planning Permit Application: TP-2020-570 165-167 Exhibition Street, Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Future Melbourne Committee of an application for partial demolition, buildings and works, and waiver in bicycle parking requirement for a development at 165-167 Exhibition Street, Melbourne.

Cr Louey left the meeting at 7.11pm and did not return.

The Lord Mayor, Sally Capp left the meeting at 7.11pm and returned at 7.15pm.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Denis Leviny
- Tristan Davies, Melbourne Heritage Action
- Lucas Paterno, URPS Planning.

Moved:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece

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

Seconded:

Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece and Councillors Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu and Leppert.

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp assumed the chair for the remainder of the meeting.

6.4 Plans Endorsement: ID-2020-2, Ikon Park Redevelopment, Princes Park, Carlton

The purpose of this report was to advise the Future Melbourne Committee of an application to endorse plans and related technical documents in accordance with the requirements of the previously approved Incorporated Document (ID) for the Carlton Recreation Ground, Princes Park, Carlton.

The following person addressed the Committee:

• Cain Liddle, CEO Carlton FC.

The following people were listed to address the Committee but decided they no longer wished to do so:

- Chris Townshend, Board member of Carlton FC
- Vaughan Connor, Contour Town Planning.

Moved:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee resolves to endorse the submitted plans and following technical documents:
 - 1.1. Development Plans
 - 1.2. Construction Management Plan
 - 1.3. Waste Management Plan
 - 1.4. Heritage Impact Statement
 - 1.5. Environmentally Sustainable Design (ESD) and Water Sensitive Urban Design Statements
 - 1.6. Lighting Specification Plan
 - 1.7. Broadcast Lighting Management Plan.

Seconded:

Cr Leppert

Cr Leppert requested the following changes: In point 1 the words following plans are deleted and a full stop inserted. Point 1.1 is deleted and replaced with 'Notes the following plans and technical documents will be considered under delegation:' the remaining points become sub-points of this sentence.

The mover, Deputy Lord Mayor, Cr Reece agreed to incorporate Cr Leppert's additional wording.

The resolution in its entirety reads as follows:

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece

- That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1. Resolves to endorse the submitted development plans.
 - 1.2. Notes the following plans and technical documents will be considered under delegation:
 - 1.2.1. Construction Management Plan
 - 1.2.2. Waste Management Plan
 - 1.2.3. Heritage Impact Statement
 - 1.2.4. Environmentally Sustainable Design (ESD) and Water Sensitive Urban Design Statements
 - 1.2.5. Lighting Specification Plan
 - 1.2.6. Broadcast Lighting Management Plan.

Seconded: Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece and Councillors Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu and Leppert.

6.5 City of Melbourne submission to Homes Victoria's 10-Year Social and Affordable Housing Strategy and establishment of Homes Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to seek endorsement of management's submission to the Homes Victoria 10-Year Social and Affordable Housing Strategy Discussion Paper (the Discussion Paper).

Moved: Cr Dr Ball

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1 Endorses the submission to Homes Victoria 10-Year Social and Affordable Housing Strategy Discussion Paper (refer Attachment 2 of the report from management), and authorises the General Manager Strategy, Planning and Climate Change to make any further minor editorial changes to the submission prior to publication.
 - 1.2 Notes Management's intention to establish a new, appropriately skilled and resourced initiative 'Homes Melbourne', which will work in an innovative, and effective partnership with Homes Victoria to deliver significant affordable housing within the municipality over the next four years and implement Council's Affordable Housing Strategy 2030.

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece and Councillors Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu and Leppert.

6.6 Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal - Food Court Concept Design

The purpose of this report was to seek endorsement of the concept design plans for the Queen Victoria Market Food Hall (currently known as the Food Court) prior to lodgement of heritage and planning permit applications and release of tender for the works.

The following person addressed the Committee:

Leah Moore.

The committee noted that Vijay Sivaraj, who had requested an opportunity to speak, was not present at the meeting to address the committee.

Moved:

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1 Endorses the concept design plans for the Food Hall, to proceed to lodgement of heritage and planning permit applications and tender, subject to further detail on the internal fitout to ensure uncluttered sightlines and multi-functional flexible uses of the space into the future, to the satisfaction of management and reported to councillors.
 - 1.2 Notes the proposed programme for delivery of the Food Hall project.
 - 1.3 Authorises the General Manager Infrastructure and Design to make any further minor changes prior to tender.
 - 1.4 Requests a briefing paper to councillors setting out a detailed budget for this project.

Seconded:

Cr Campbell

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece and Councillors Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu and Leppert.

6.7 Support and Pilot Project for Return of International Students

The purpose of this report was to provide an update on activity in relation to Melbourne's international education sector, including support for international students.

Moved:

Cr Griffiths

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1 Notes that the City of Melbourne is working with stakeholders on a joint advocacy effort to the Victorian and Federal governments in support of a pilot program enabling international students to return to Melbourne in time for Semester 2 this year.

- 1.2 Resolves that if state and federal government fail to implement a pilot program to support the return of international students in Melbourne, City of Melbourne will coordinate a report incorporating suggestions from key stakeholders across international education industry for consideration and implementation. The potential pilot program should:
 - 1.2.1 Prioritise the importance of maintaining a strong quarantine system and public health focus as part of the program as well as prioritising students who can assist in areas of the economy directly related to the medical and scientific fight against COVID-19
 - 1,2,2 Not prioritise International Students over returning Australians.
 - 1.2.3 Support a chartered transport and accommodation approach within the City of Melbourne
- 1.3 Notes the significant impact of the Our Shout food voucher program and commits
 City of Melbourne to continue ongoing support for onshore international students.
 This includes calling on management to provide the next phase of support
 package such as:
 - 1.3.1 Improving the experience of international students in Melbourne, by working with partners to offer tickets and other novel Melbourne experiences to onshore international students.
 - 1.3.2 Coordinating with stakeholders on a coordinated effort to promote the activities and initiatives offered to international students in Melbourne.

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, Nicholas Reece and Councillors Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu and Leppert.

7. **General business**

There were no items of General business for consideration.

8. **Urgent business**

There were no items of proposed urgent business for consideration.

9. **Public questions**

Chris Thrum submitted a written question regarding density levels in music venues. Chris explained that the music industry is asking for standing venues to have the same full capacity allowance as seated venues.

The following response was provided by Andrew Wear, Director Economic Development and International.

Melbourne has more live music venues per capita than any city in the world. However, with restrictions on trade, ongoing venue density limits and reduced visitor numbers, COVID-19 has hit the music industry hard. While JobKeeper has ended, non-seated areas are still limited to one person per two square metres, and many venues are reporting that in this context, live music is not sustainable or profitable. We hope that the Victorian and Australian governments can work with the music industry to find a solution that enables venues to operate both profitably and safely.

10. Closure of meeting

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, declared the meeting closed at 8.41pm.

Confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee on Tuesday 20 April 2021.

Chair Future Melbourne Committee