

CITY OF MELBOURNE

Future Melbourne Committee Minutes

Meeting Number 20 Tuesday 21 September 2021 6.00pm

Virtual Meeting

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 Rohan Leppert Councillor Kevin Louey (in at 6.05pm)

Apology Councillor Philip Le Liu

> Confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee On Tuesday 5 October 2021

1. Commencement of meeting and apologies

The meeting commenced at 6pm.

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 six reports from management, one of which was confidential
- an apology had been received from Councillor Le Liu.

2. Disclosures of conflicts of interest

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

3. Confirmation of minutes of the previous meeting

Moved: Cr Hakim

That the minutes of meeting No 19, held on Tuesday 7 September 2021, be confirmed.

Seconded: Cr Griffiths

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 and Leppert.

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

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 Governance Rules.

Submissions/Correspondence

In relation to Agenda item 6.1, Planning Permit Application: TP-2021-538/B, 179 Boundary Road, North Melbourne:

Requests to speak:

- John Gilmore
- Aidan Robinson, Pro-Urban

Items of Correspondence:

- Tey Evans
- Antoinette De Luca
- John Gilmore
- Aidan Robinson, Pro-Urban.

Unconfirmed minutes

In relation to Agenda item 6.2, Submission to the World Heritage Environs Area (WHEA) draft Strategy Plan and Planning Scheme Amendment:

Items of Correspondence:

- Katie Roberts
- B McNicholas, Walk in St Kilda Rd & Environs, Friends of Melbourne Observatory, Friends of Fawkner Park
- Fiona Bell, Deputy President Protectors of Public Lands Victoria Inc.

Cr Louey arrived at the meeting at 6.05pm.

In relation to Agenda item 6.4, Melbourne Maritime Heritage Precinct and Mission to Seafarers - Feasibility and Business Case – Final Report:

Requests to speak:

- Martin Dixon, Director Melbourne Maritime Heritage Network
- Ross Brewer, Chairman Offshore & Specialist Ships Australia.

Items of Correspondence:

- Martin Dixon, Director Melbourne Maritime Heritage Network
- Ross Brewer, Chairman Offshore and Specialist Ships Australia
- Neil Edwards AM, Chairman Mission to Seafarers
- Tim Bracher.

In relation to Agenda item 6.5, Night Time Economy Advisory Committee:

Items of Correspondence:

- Susan Gould
- Jessica Moyes
- Chris Thrum
- Louise Conboy
- Kris Conboy.

City Planning Portfolio

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

6.1 Planning Permit Application: TP-2021-538/B, 179 Boundary Road, North Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Future Melbourne Committee of an application to amend an existing planning permit, seeking approval for the construction of a mezzanine level (between ground and first floor), and an associated reduction in the statutory car parking requirements of Clause 52.06-3.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- John Gilmore
- Aidan Robinson, Pro-Urban.

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, Leppert and Louey.

6.2 Submission to the World Heritage Environs Area (WHEA) draft Strategy Plan and Planning Scheme Amendment

The purpose of this report was to present Management's submission to Heritage Victoria (HV) on its new draft Strategy Plan for the buffer area around the Royal Exhibition Building and Carlton Gardens (REB&CG) (refer Attachment 2 of the report from management).

- Moved: Cr Leppert
 - 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee
 - 1.1. Endorses the submission to the World Heritage Strategy Plan Review for the Royal Exhibition Building and Carlton Gardens as shown at Attachment 2 of the report from management, subject to management making further amendments prior to submission to give effect to the following positions:
 - 1.1.1. The addition of a new DDO with mandatory height controls to residential land to the north of the gardens is not supported. These areas already have mandatory height controls, found in the zones. If mandatory height controls are changed within the zones in future through further reforms to the Victoria Planning Provisions, it would not be logical to retain mandatory height controls at their current level including on over one hundred properties that are shielded from the Royal Exhibition Building and Carlton Gardens by other properties. The area in question is also covered by a heritage overlay and is replete with graded heritage buildings which moderate the scale of buildings, frequently below the mandatory height controls. The addition of a new DDO over this residential zoned land is therefore an unnecessary and unwelcome permit trigger in the Melbourne Planning Scheme.
 - 1.1.2. Mandatory height controls within DDO6 should specifically apply to properties fronting Rathdowne Street, not all parts of DDO6.
 - 1.1.3. If it were to be recommend that further work be undertaken to apply built form controls to the land bounded by Russell, Victoria, Exhibition and La Trobe Streets, the City of Melbourne would wish to lead and choose the timing of such an exercise, taking all planning considerations and site context into account.
 - 1.2. Notes that, despite the positions set out in the paragraphs above, the City of Melbourne's position retains support for new regional policy, expanded WHEA and overlay boundaries and, if implemented, will result in a stronger planning framework to manage the environs of the World Heritage site.

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece

Cr Chang left the meeting at 6.34 and returned at 6.36pm.

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.

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

6.3 Creating Communities of Equality and Respect: Prevention of Violence Against Women Action Plan 2021-2024

The purpose of this report was to have the draft Creating Communities of Equality and Respect: Prevention of Violence Against Women Action Plan 2021-24 endorsed.

- Moved: Cr Dr Ball
 - 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1. Endorses the draft Creating Communities of Equality and Respect: Prevention of Violence Against Women Action Plan 2021-24 (Action Plan) focussing on achievable actions in a COVID-19 environment for 2021-22 for a community engagement through Participate Melbourne for a three week period until 12 October 2021.
 - 1.2. Requests management as a priority, to partner with key agencies and community to:
 - 1.2.1. advance women's leadership and participation in economic, social and civic life across the Municipality
 - 1.2.2. promote the safety of women and girls in our communities and public spaces
 - 1.2.3. engage men and boys to shift unhealthy norms of masculinity and condoning of violence
 - 1.2.4. achieve sustainable primary prevention for our municipality.
 - 1.3. Authorises the General Manager, Community and City Services to make amendments to the Action Plan based on community feedback with subsequent return to the Future Melbourne Committee for final endorsement on 2 November 2021.

Seconded: Cr Hakim

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.

6.4 Melbourne Maritime Heritage Precinct and Mission to Seafarers - Feasibility and Business Case – Final Report

The purpose of this report was to update Councillors on the key recommendations from the Melbourne Maritime Heritage Precinct and Mission to Seafarers - Feasibility and Business Case report.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Martin Dixon, Director Melbourne Maritime Heritage Network
- Ross Brewer, Chairman Offshore & Specialist Ships Australia.

Moved: Cr Leppert

1.

- That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1. Note and endorse the findings of the feasibility and business case report.
 - 1.2. Note significant support from the community for a 'precinct as a trail' concept which would connect existing maritime assets while also recognising Aboriginal maritime heritage.
 - 1.3. Requests management to consider where opportune and appropriate the integration of heritage precinct features into existing Council capital works programs, including the Draft Greenline Implementation Plan.

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- 1.4. Requests management to continue working with the Victorian Government to determine the use, quality and type of function of the Mission to Seafarers building including the continued delivery of seafarer welfare services and options for further community use.
- 1.5. Requests management write to Department of Treasury and Finance to ascertain their intention to fund the necessary capital improvements on the Mission to Seafarers building.

Seconded: Lord Mayor Sally Capp

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.

6.5 Night Time Economy Advisory Committee

The purpose of this report was to seek endorsement of the Night Time Economy Advisory Committee's position statement that calls on the Victorian government to pilot a Health Pass system in the City of Melbourne (refer Attachment 2).

Moved: Cr Campbell

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1. Endorses the position of the Night Time Economy Advisory Committee in relation to calling for the piloting of a vaccine Health Pass system in the City of Melbourne, noting that this position will now need to be read in the context of the Roadmap announced by the State Government on Sunday.
 - 1.2. Endorses the Lord Mayor writing to the Premier, offering the City of Melbourne as a pilot municipality for the purposes of piloting a vaccine Health Pass System.
 - 1.3. Endorses management working with Victorian government, the NTEAC and other stakeholders to implement a Health Pass pilot program.

Seconded: Cr Chang

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.

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

There were no public questions.

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10. Closure of meeting

Moved: Lord Mayor Sally Capp

That pursuant to section 66 of the Local Government Act 2020, the meeting of the Council be closed to members of the public for the consideration of Agenda item 14.1 as it contains private commercial information, which if released, would unreasonably inhibit progression of our waste and circular economy priorities, which may be subject to future tender and negotiations.

Seconded: Cr Griffiths

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.

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

Confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee on Tuesday 5 October 2021.

ley Chair Future Melbourne Committee