

CITY OF MELBOURNE

Future Melbourne Committee Minutes

Meeting Number 24 Tuesday 16 November 2021 5.30pm

Town Hall Commons

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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

Apology

Councillor Philip Le Liu

Confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee On Tuesday 30 November 2021

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
- 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 Chang

That the minutes of meeting No 23, held on Tuesday 9 November 2021, be confirmed.

Seconded:

Cr Dr Ball

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

Hub Arcade Redevelopment

Tristan Davies asked a question relating to the redevelopment of the Hub Arcade.

Kristal Maynard, Acting Director, Planning and Building provided the following response:

We recognise that development in the Central City can sometimes result in a change of use that impacts existing activities and businesses. However, the planning scheme is not able to control the loss of uses or require a new building to retain existing uses, particularly in the vital economic environment of the Capital City Zone, which is purposefully set up to maximise flexibility of uses. With a few exceptions, change of use does not trigger the need for a planning permit in the Central City.

The proposed redevelopment of the Hub Arcade complies with the built form controls and the design parameters of the recently introduced DDO1 planning provisions governing urban design in the Capital City Zone. The development is expected to provide activation and diversity due to the boutique nature of the proposed small hotel, which maintains retail tenancies to the street frontage, preserves a pedestrian connection through the site and fully utilises upper levels.

Australian Music T-Shirt Day

Chris Thrum asked a question relating to Australian Music t-shirt day and whether the Lord Mayor and Councillors would consider buying t-shirts from local stores in support of the music industry.

The Lord Mayor, Sally Capp indicated all councillors were very keen to support the initiative and also provided the following response:

We absolutely value Melbourne's music industry, which helps make our city Australia's arts, culture and events capital.

The City of Melbourne is directly supporting the music industry through Melbourne Music Week, which will provide a significant boost to more than 300 artists and help reignite the city as we continue to bounce back from the pandemic.

Proposed Pandemic Bill

Chris Thrum asked a question relating to proposed Pandemic Bill currently before the Legislative Council.

Russell Webster, Director Health and Wellbeing provided the following response:

As the Bill has been proposed by the Victorian government and is presently before the Legislative Council, it is not appropriate for the Melbourne City Council to make comment on the matter.

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, Ministerial Planning Referral: TPMR-2019-25/A 52-60 Collins Street, 36 Collins Street and 57-67 Little Collins Street, Melbourne:

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Requests to speak:

- Billy Rebakis, Urbis
- · Julian Anderson, Bates Smart.

In relation to Agenda item 6.3, Carlton Heritage Review 2021 (Planning Scheme Amendments C404 and C405) and Reinstatement of Protection for Punt Road Oval:

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Items of Correspondence:

- Mark Wang, Chief Executive Officer, Museum of Chinese Australian History
- Katie Roberts
- John Jovic
- · Felicity Watson, National Trust of Australia (Victoria).

In relation to Agenda item 6.5, Victorian Government Shared E-Scooter Trial:

Item of Correspondence:

· Tim Bracher, Yarra River Business Association.

City Planning Portfolio

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

6.1 Ministerial Planning Referral: TPMR-2019-25/A 52-60 Collins Street, 36 Collins Street and 57-67 Little Collins Street, Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Future Melbourne Committee of a Ministerial Planning Referral seeking approval for an amendment to Ministerial Planning Permit PA1900656 at 52-60 Collins Street, Melbourne. The amendment seeks to increase the height and gross floor area of the tower and incorporates the properties to the east associated with the Melbourne Club at 36 Collins Street, and to the north at 57-67 Little Collins Street (refer attachment 2 – Locality Plan).

Cr Leppert declared a material conflict of interest in this matter pursuant to section 128(3)(c) of the *Local Government Act 2020*. Cr Leppert is a Director of the Municipal Association of Victoria which is a tenant in the building at 60 Collins Street, Melbourne. Cr Leppert left the meeting at 5.42pm, prior to any discussion taking place.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Billy Rebakis, Urbis
- Julian Anderson, Bates Smart.

Moved:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece

That the Future Melbourne Committee resolves to advise the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning that the Melbourne City Council does not object to the application, subject to the conditions set out in the delegate report (refer to Attachment 4 of the report from management) with the following additional condition:

Façade Strategy 6.c

Confirmation of the use of a natural stone material within the feature masonry finishes applied to the street level façade, along Collins Street and Exhibition Street, to the satisfaction of the City of Melbourne.

Seconded:

Cr Doidge

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 Louey.

Cr Leppert returned to the meeting at 6.04pm.

6.2 Planning Permit Application: TP-2020-477 355-369 Spencer Street, West Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Future Melbourne Committee of a planning permit application seeking approval for use of the land for the sale and consumption of liquor associated with a bar and restaurant, external alterations and external painting in a Heritage Overlay, a waiver of the car parking requirements of Clause 52.06, and a waiver of the bicycle facilities requirement of Clause 52.34 at 355-369 Spencer Street, West Melbourne (refer Attachment 2 - Locality Plan).

Moved:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece

That the Future Melbourne Committee resolves to issue a Notice of Decision to Grant a Planning Permit subject to the conditions outlined in the Delegate Report (refer to 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.

6.3 Carlton Heritage Review 2021 (Planning Scheme Amendments C404 and C405) and Reinstatement of Protection for Punt Road Oval

The purpose of this report was to commence Planning Scheme Amendments C404 and C405. The amendments implement the recommendations of the Carlton Heritage Review 2021 (see Attachment 2). The Review and subsequent amendments align with the Council Plan 2021-25 major initiative to complete heritage reviews and implement associated planning scheme amendments to protect and celebrate heritage in our municipality.

Cr Leppert declared a material conflict of interest in this matter pursuant to section 128(3)(h) of the *Local Government Act 2020*. Cr Leppert received a disclosable gift in the form of a donation from an affected party in a joint election campaign. Cr Leppert left the meeting at 6.09pm, prior to any discussion taking place.

Cr Dr Ball declared a material conflict of interest in this matter pursuant to section 128(3)(h) of the *Local Government Act 2020*. Cr Dr Ball received a disclosable gift in the form of a donation from an affected party in a joint election campaign. Cr Dr Ball left the meeting at 6,09pm, prior to any discussion taking place.

Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece declared a material conflict of interest in this matter pursuant to section 128(3)(d) of the *Local Government Act 2020*. Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece is employed by the University of Melbourne which owns properties affected by the Amendments. Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece left the meeting at 6.09pm, prior to any discussion taking place.

Justin Hanney, Chief Executive Officer advised that consistent with Council's Governance Rules and the Council resolution on 15 December 2020 the Committee was required to vote to appoint a Chair for this item.

Moved:

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp

That the Future Melbourne Committee appoints Lord Mayor, Sally Capp as Acting Chair to consider agenda item 6.3 under of the City Planning Portfolio.

Seconded:

Cr Hakim

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

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Moved:

Cr Griffiths

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
 - 1.1. Notes the Carlton Heritage Review 2021 (Attachment 2 of the report from management) and endorses the recommendations (Attachment 3) for interim and permanent heritage controls to be implemented through Planning Scheme Amendments C404 (Attachment 4) and C405 (Attachment 5).

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- 1.2. Notes the Punt Road Oval (Richmond Cricket Ground) Heritage Review, October 2021 (Attachment 7) and endorses the recommendations (Attachment 6) for permanent heritage controls to be implemented through Planning Scheme Amendment C405 (Attachment 5).
- 1.3. Requests the Minister for Planning prepare and approve Planning Scheme Amendment C404 (Attachment 4) pursuant to section 20(4) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987.
- 1.4. Seeks Authorisation from the Minister for Planning to prepare and exhibit Planning Scheme Amendment C405 (Attachment 5) in accordance with the Planning and Environment Act 1987.
- 1.5. Authorises management to ensure appropriate heritage protection is maintained for Punt Road Oval on an interim basis while Amendment C405 is processed.
- 1.6. Authorises the General Manager Strategy, Planning and Climate Change to make any further administrative or minor editorial changes to Planning Scheme Amendment C404 and C405 as required.

Seconded:

Cr Chang

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

Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece, and Councillors Dr Ball and Leppert returned to the meeting at 6.22pm.

6.4 Withdrawn

This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

6.5 Victorian Government Shared E-Scooter Trial

The purpose of this report was to provide an update on the approach to the Victorian Government's trial of shared e-scooters.

Moved:

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp

That the Future Melbourne Committee endorses management's approach to planning and launching the shared e-scooter trial.

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.

6.6 Melbourne Knowledge Week 2022 Planning Phase

The purpose of this report was to present the concept and strategy for Melbourne Knowledge Week 2022 as part of the planning phase of the events management cycle.

Moved:

Cr Griffiths

That the Future Melbourne Committee endorses the 2022 Melbourne Knowledge Week strategy and concept.

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,

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 further public questions.

Closure of meeting

The Chair, Lord Mayor Sally Capp, declared the meeting closed at 6.33pm.

Confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee on Tuesday 30 November 2021.

Chair Future Melbourne Committee