



CITY OF MELBOURNE

Future Melbourne Committee

Minutes

**Meeting number 76
Tuesday 8 March 2016
5.30pm**

**Council Meeting Room
Level 2
Melbourne Town Hall**

Present

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle
Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley
Councillor Richard Foster
Councillor Rohan Leppert
Councillor Kevin Louey
Councillor Stephen Mayne
Councillor Cathy Oke
Councillor Ken Ong
Councillor Beverley Pinder-Mortimer
Councillor Jackie Watts
Councillor Arron Wood

Confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee
on Tuesday 15 March 2016

1. Commencement of meeting and apologies

The meeting commenced at 5.30pm.

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, 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 of five reports from management and one item of general business
- no apologies had been received.

Request to film meeting

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, noted that the Committee had received requests to photograph, record audio and film from the following entities the Herald Sun, 3AW and an independent production company.

2. Disclosures of conflicts of interest

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, advised that conflicts of interest would be disclosed as they arose.

3. Confirmation of minutes of the previous meeting

Moved: Cr Oke

That the minutes of meeting No 75, held on 16 February 2016, be confirmed.

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Ong, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Watts and Wood.

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

Chris Thrum asked a question in relation to the ongoing benefits resulting from international travel by Councillors to forums and conferences, in particular Councillors Oke's and Wood's travel to the Paris 2015 United Nations Climate Change Conference.

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle responded by saying Melbourne is a respected voice in this debate and we try to bring more than we take. Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle endorsed the work that Councillors Oke and Wood have done.

Cr Oke identified that a lot of information has been covered in the post travel reports and that many cities take advantage of the outcomes of the Conference. Councillor Oke said governments can work better together to meet the ambitious national targets, following on from the Paris Conference.

Cr Wood said that the benefits of this international trip continue. There have been a lot of presentations since the Conference, in particular the United National Associations of Victoria; the young professionals group championing this. The international networks will continue to pay dividends into the future to make our cities more resilient.

Shane Scanlon asked a question in relation to the local waterways policy. On 19 February, Departmental Officers told the Lower Yarra River Use Future Directions Group, that Environment Minister Lisa Neville would be rejecting its recommendations for Local Waterways Governance reform. Will the City of Melbourne Champion this issue, and if so how?

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle responded by saying that Council will be making representations. The policy position of this Council has been the declaration of a local port as the best outcome for Docklands and the Lower Yarra.

Councillor Wood supported comments made by the Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle and explained this is part of our Council Plan. While Council still has a long way to go in terms of communicating with both Ministers about the lower port declaration, Council will work with all stakeholders to make sure they understand the outcomes of the report.

6. Reports from management

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, advised that as at 3pm the following submissions had been received in accordance with the Council's *Conduct of Meetings Local Law 2010*.

In relation to **Agenda item 6.1, Planning Permit Application: TP-2015-1183, 104-108 Hawke Street, West Melbourne:**

Request to speak:

- Colin Crow.

Item of correspondence:

- Colin Crow.

In relation to **Agenda item 6.4, Submission to the Managing Residential Development Advisory Committee:**

Items of Correspondence:

- Tess Demediuk on behalf of RAID@3051 Inc.
- Angela Williams.

In relation to **Agenda item 6.5, Melbourne Planning Scheme Amendment C245 Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal:**

Items of Correspondence:

- Chris Thrum
- Mr Peter Papageorgiou
- Russell Mooney
- Felicity Watson on behalf of National Trust.

Requests to speak:

- Chris Thrum
- Mr Peter Papageorgiou.

Planning Portfolio

Cr Ong assumed the role of Chair to present the five reports from management for consideration in relation to the Planning Portfolio.

6.1 Planning Permit Application: TP-2015-1183, 104-108 Hawke Street, West Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of an application for a planning permit lodged by the Melbourne City Council to demolish the existing building on the land at 104-108 Hawke Street and to use the land for the purposes of public recreation reserve.

Colin Crow addressed the Committee.

Moved: Cr Ong

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

Seconded: Cr Wood

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Cr Ong, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Watts and Wood.

6.2 Planning Permit Application: TP-2015-1227, 469-473 Cardigan Street, Carlton

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of an application for planning permit lodged by Melbourne City Council to use the existing building at 469-473 Cardigan Street, Carlton for the purposes of a community Toy Library.

Moved: Cr Ong

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

Seconded: Cr Watts

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Cr Ong, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Watts and Wood.

6.3 Ministerial Planning Referral: TPM-2015-15, 556-558 Lonsdale Street and 560-566 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of a Ministerial referral of a Planning Application at 556-558 Lonsdale Street and 560-566 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Louey, Ong, Pinder-Mortimer and Wood each declared an indirect conflict of interest. The conflict of interest was in regard to Agenda Item 6.3 above because of receipt of an applicable gift under section 78C of the *Local Government Act 1989*, as they had received election campaign donations from the applicants or others associated with the application.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Louey, Ong, Pinder-Mortimer and Wood all left the meeting at 6pm prior to any discussion taking place.

The quorum was subsequently lost for Agenda Item 6.3.

Due to a lack of quorum, Agenda Item 6.3 lapsed.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors, Louey, Ong, Pinder-Mortimer and Wood returned to the meeting at 6.01pm and Cr Ong resumed the role of Chair.

6.4 Submission to the Managing Residential Development Advisory Committee

The purpose of this report was to seek the Committee's endorsement of the submission to the Managing Residential Development Advisory Committee.

Moved: Cr Leppert

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee endorses the submission to the Managing Residential Development Advisory Committee at Attachment 5 of the report from management, subject to management making further changes to the submission to reflect the following inclusions:*

- 1.1. *A high level description of the differences between the Council-preferred application of residential zones, the RZSAC-supported application of residential zones and the Minister's final application of residential zones.*
- 1.2. *Council's concern that the Minister's decision to vary the Council-preferred and RZSAC-supported application of residential zones was made without any strategic justification.*
- 1.3. *A request that the Managing Residential Development Advisory Committee pay particular attention to this "process by which the new residential zones were implemented" (clause 3(a) of the committee's terms of reference) and provide advice as to how best to move towards a distribution of residential zones which is grounded in sound policy.*

Seconded: Cr Ong

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Cr Ong, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Watts and Wood.

6.5 Melbourne Planning Scheme Amendment C245 Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal

The purpose of this report was to present the outcomes of the public exhibition for Melbourne Planning Scheme Amendment C245 Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal, and to recommend the Committee request that the Minister for Planning appoint a panel to consider Amendment C245 and the submissions.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Chris Thrum
- Mr Peter Papageorgiou.

Moved: Cr Ong

1. *That the Future Melbourne Committee resolves to:*
 - 1.1. *Note management's assessment of the submissions as set out in Attachments 2 and 3 of the report from management.*
 - 1.2. *Request the Minister for Planning appoint an Independent Panel to consider the submissions to Melbourne Planning Scheme Amendment C245.*
 - 1.3. *Note that the form of the Amendment to be presented to the Independent Panel will be in accordance with Attachment 4 of the report from management.*
 - 1.4. *Request management to write to all submitters informing them that their submissions will be included in the report to the Independent Panel and that they are still able to make further submissions directly to the Independent Panel.*

Seconded: Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Cr Ong, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Watts and Wood.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, resumed the role of the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

7. General business

There was one item of general business for consideration.

7.1 Notice of Motion, Councillor Richard Foster: Councillor use of corporate credit cards at City of Melbourne

Moved: Cr Foster

1. *That the Future Melbourne Committee:*
 - 1.1. *Requests management to prepare a report on the use of corporate credit cards by Councillors at the City of Melbourne and advise on any recommended improvements to guidelines or supporting processes covering Councillor use.*
 - 1.2. *Call on the Lord Mayor to temporarily suspend use of the allocated corporate credit card until management presents a report to Committee or Council in the April cycle.*

Seconded: Cr Watts

Councillor Mayne foreshadowed that if the motion failed he intended to move an alternative motion.

The motion was put and lost with the following Councillors voting in favour of the motion: Councillor Foster and Watts. The following Councillors voting against the motion: Lord Mayor, Robert, Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor Susan Riley, Councillors Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Ong, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer and Wood.

Moved: Cr Mayne

1. *That the Future Melbourne Committee:*
 - 1.1. *Notes the Lord Mayor's statement that private expenditure initially incurred on his Council-issued credit card has been fully repaid on a monthly basis and notes that he is committed to fully comply with Council's expenses policy.*
 - 1.2. *Requests management to provide additional disclosure of Lord Mayor Robert Doyle's expenses so that his online quarterly expenses disclosures from January 2016 onwards include specifics about any private expenditure initially incurred on the Council-issued credit card or any Council expenditure initially incurred on the Lord Mayor's private credit card.*

Seconded: Cr Ong

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Ong, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Watts and Wood.

8. Urgent business

There were no items of proposed urgent business for consideration.

9. Public questions

There were no public questions.

10. Closure of meeting

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, declared the meeting closed at 7.12pm.

Confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee on Tuesday 15 March 2016.


Chair
Future Melbourne Committee