



CITY OF MELBOURNE

Future Melbourne Committee

Minutes

**Meeting Number 87
Tuesday 2 August 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 16 August 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 four reports from management and one item of general business.

Cr Oke noted with sadness the passing of the former Mayor of Moreland Council, Mr Mike Hill.

Cr Oke's speech:

"Thank you Lord Mayor for the opportunity to recognise Mike Hill tonight. I'd like to acknowledge Lorna Pitt, Winsome McCaughey, Lorna and Bill Hannan and Janet Bolitho for assistance with this statement.

Mike was the first Mayor of the City of Moreland in 1996, founding member of the Victorian Local Government Association and its CEO for nine years. He was a board member of the EPA, Sustainability Victoria, the Natural Resources Conservation League and was also key to the establishment of the Moreland Energy Foundation. Through these roles he contributed greatly to a range of activities important to the City of Melbourne. In particular he was the architect of the Victorian Local Sustainability Accord – this embodied what Mike was all about and why I, like many people involved in environmental issues at local government, saw him as a mentor and a true sustainability leader. The Accord was about state government and its agencies working with local government to aggregate and amplify moves towards environmental sustainability, social justice and action on climate change. The Growing Green Guide, an award winning piece of collaborative work towards accelerated greening in cities, is a legacy of this work.

His passion for the role that local government should and must play on the national and global agenda saw him collaborate across the political spectrum to achieve things many who get stuck in party politics never can. His ability to be a team builder and forward thinker is remembered by Bill and Lorna Hannan as beginning as a teacher with them from the mid60s at high schools in Flemington and Moreland – they both saw a determination to lead students towards responsibility and self-governance.

In closing, I wanted to point out that there is a very personal connection to the City of Melbourne and our town hall for Mike and his partner Lorna Pitt. Lorna was a councillor here for almost 10 years. They first met here 27 years ago in committee room 3 when Melbourne invited Brunswick Council to meet to discuss saving the Upfield line. Their partnership and joint passion for understanding and championing the inextricable and interdependent links between a city's excellent public infrastructure, healthy environment, social justice, strong economies and quality of life is a vision which has led to many award winning initiatives in Melbourne, and Moreland. May this continue to be the case."

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 Wood

That the minutes of meeting No 86, held on Tuesday 19 July 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, Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Oke, Ong, 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 relating to the ban on amplified music in Swanston Street.

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, advised that the ban on amplified music was a three month trial. The reason for the trial was due to concerns raised about the volume of the music.

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, said he was happy to meet with musicians to discuss the matter further.

Procedural Motion

Cr Mayne moved a procedural motion that the Committee allow agenda item 6.3 to be considered after agenda item 7.1.

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

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, '**Melbourne Metro Rail Project - Proposed acquisition and early occupation of the City Square**':

Request to Speak

- Geoff Leach.

Item of Correspondence:

- Geoff Leach.

In relation to Agenda item 6.2, '**Opportunities for Elizabeth Street South**':

Request to Speak

- Lesli Berger.

Items of Correspondence:

- Lesli Berger
- Michael Hoffmann.

In relation to Agenda item 6.3, '**Planning Scheme Amendment C190 Arden-Macaulay**':

Requests to Speak

- Yvonne Ericksson, resident
- Paul Pace, resident
- Bruce Anderson, resident
- Paul McAlpine, resident
- Peter Sweeney, resident
- Sotirios Katakouzinis, Victrack, Acting Planning Manager
- John Widmer
- Kaye Oddie
- Enid Hookey
- Rob McGauran, MGS Architects
- Geoff Leach.

Items of Correspondence:

- Angela Williams
- Yvonne Ericksson, resident
- Paul Pace, resident
- Bruce Anderson, resident
- Paul McAlpine, resident
- Peter Sweeney, resident
- Sotirios Katakouzinis, Vic-track, Acting Planning Manager
- Kaye Oddie
- Rilke Muir, Secretary, Kensington Association
- Enid Hookey, resident
- Justin Flanagan
- Linh Dang, Property Portfolio Manager Vision Australia
- Rob McGauran, MGS Architects
- Geoff Leach.

In relation to Agenda item 6.4, '**The Completion of the Future Melbourne 2026 Plan**':

Requests to speak:

- Lisa Adams, member of the citizens' jury
- Heath Davies, member of the citizens' jury
- Nico Kunz, member of the citizens' jury.

In relation to Agenda item 7.1, '**Post travel report by Councillor Jackie Watts, Yangon, Myanmar, July 2016**':

Request to speak:

- Christopher Lamb.

Item of Correspondence:

- Christopher Lamb.

Finance and Governance Portfolio

Cr Mayne assumed the role of Chair to present the one report from management for consideration in relation to the Finance and Governance Portfolio.

6.1 Melbourne Metro Project – Proposed acquisition and early occupation of the City Square

The purpose of this report was to seek Committee support for the early occupation of the City Square in February 2017 by the Melbourne Metro Rail Authority for the purposes of the commencement of construction of the Melbourne Metro Rail Project and to provide information about the intention to commence discussions regarding compensation under the *Land Acquisition and Compensation Act 1986* for the acquisition of the Square to facilitate its early occupation.

Geoff Leach did not address the Committee.

Moved: Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle

1. *That the Future Melbourne Committee:*

- 1.1. *Supports the early occupation of the City Square by the Melbourne Metro Rail Authority (MMRA) subject to appropriate compensation options being presented to Council.*
- 1.2. *Authorises management to negotiate compensation with the MMRA with the outcomes of these negotiations to be reported to Council for consideration and endorsement.*

- 1.3. *Supports future negotiations and discussions with the MMRA being on the basis that the public areas of the City Square be surrendered to the Crown and reserved for public purposes with the Council as the Committee of Management.*

Seconded: Cr Wood

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

Transport Portfolio

Cr Oke assumed the role of Chair to present the one report from management for consideration in relation to the Transport Portfolio.

6.2 Opportunities for Elizabeth Street South

The purpose of this report was to seek the Committee's endorsement for management to conduct targeted stakeholder engagement on design opportunities for the southern end of Elizabeth Street (Flinders Street to Flinders Lane) as part of the Draft Elizabeth Street Strategic Opportunities Plan.

Lesli Berger addressed the Committee.

Moved: Cr Oke

That the Future Melbourne Committee endorses a program of targeted stakeholder consultation on opportunities for the southern end of Elizabeth Street as outlined in the report from management.

Seconded: Cr Foster

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

Planning Portfolio

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

6.4 The completion of the refreshed Future Melbourne plan to 2026

The purpose of this report was to present the Future Melbourne 2026 plan which is the community's refresh of Future Melbourne.

Glyn Davis, Future Melbourne 2026 Ambassador's Chair, presented the report.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Lisa Adams, member of the citizens' jury
- Heath Davies, member of the citizens' jury
- Nico Kunz, member of the citizens' jury.

Moved: Cr Ong

1. *That the Future Melbourne Committee recommends that Council:*

- 1.1. *Notes the Future Melbourne 2026 Plan as the community's vision and goals for the future development of the municipality and resource for the next Council.*

- 1.2. *Acknowledges and thanks the Future Melbourne Ambassadors and citizens' jury for their work, deliberations, commitment and passion in preparing the Future Melbourne 2026 Plan.*

Seconded: Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle

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

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

7. General business

There was one item of General business for consideration.

7.1 Post travel report by Councillor Jackie Watts, Yangon, Myanmar, July 2016

The purpose of this report was to inform the Committee on the meetings and activities Councillor Jackie Watts undertook in Yangon, Myanmar 27 June to 1 July 2016 where Councillor Watts represented the City of Melbourne whilst on private travel.

Christopher Lamb did not address the Committee.

Moved: Cr Watts

1. *That the Future Melbourne Committee:*
 - 1.1. *Notes the report by Councillor Jackie Watts on outcomes of travel to Yangon, Myanmar whilst on private travel 27 June to 1 July 2016.*
 - 1.2. *Notes that there is enthusiasm in the Yangon municipal bureaucracy for a closer city-to-city relationship between Yangon and Melbourne, which augurs well for further opportunities to support local government enhancement in Yangon and for fertile commercial ventures.*
 - 1.3. *Notes that the first Yangon Urban Strategic Framework (due July 2016) reflects, to a significant extent, urban policies and practices of the City of Melbourne.*
 - 1.4. *Refers to management the areas of interest raised by the Yangon City Development Committee (YCDC – equivalent to Melbourne City Council) and the Yangon Heritage Trust (Attachment 2) for consideration as potentially part of an existing information exchange.*
 - 1.5. *Requests that management investigate and report to Council on the feasibility and benefits of a City of Melbourne Mission to Yangon to be conducted in collaboration with the Australian Myanmar Institute, Australian Myanmar Chamber of Commerce, the Australian Myanmar Business Group, Business Victoria, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, VicRoads, Melbourne Water, Citywide and other professional associations and institutes.*

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, Councillors Foster, Leppert, Louey, Mayne, Oke, Ong, Pinder-Mortimer, Watts and Wood.

Cr Leppert left the meeting at 6.25pm and returned at 6.28pm.

Planning Portfolio

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

6.3 Planning Scheme Amendment C190 Arden-Macaulay

The purpose of this report was to provide an assessment of the independent panel's recommendations regarding Amendment C190 and propose that the Future Melbourne Committee recommend Council adopt the Amendment, incorporating the changes recommended by management.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Louey, Pinder-Mortimer and Wood each declared an indirect conflict of interest. The conflict of interest was due to receipt of an applicable gift under section 78C of the *Local Government Act 1989*, as they had received an election campaign donation from Allied Mills, a submitter.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley and Councillors Louey, Pinder-Mortimer and Wood all left the meeting at 6.48pm prior to any discussion taking place.

The Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle, and Councillors Louey, Pinder-Mortimer and Wood did not return to the meeting.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Paul Pace
- Sotirios Katakouzinis
- John Widmer
- Kaye Oddie
- Enid Hookey
- Rob McGauran.

The following people were listed to address the Committee but did not:

- Yvonne Ericksson
- Bruce Anderson
- Paul McAlpine
- Peter Sweeney
- Geoff Leach.

Moved: Cr Ong

1. *That the Future Melbourne Committee recommends Council:*
 - 1.1. *Adopt Planning Scheme Amendment C190 as shown in Attachment 7 to this report.*
 - 1.2. *Submit the adopted Amendment to the Minister, requesting that Amendment C190 be approved in conjunction with a Ministerial Amendment under section 20(4) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 that introduces a suitable interim development contributions control over the area affected by Amendment C190.*
 - 1.3. *Request the Minister identify and secure open space along the Moonee Ponds Creek for future recreational purposes, consistent with the Arden Macaulay Structure Plan 2012.*

Seconded: Cr Mayne

Cr Leppert foreshadowed that if the motion failed he intended to move an alternative motion.

The motion was put and lost with the following Councillors voting for the motion: The Chair, Councillor Ong and Councillor Mayne, and the following voting against the motion Councillors Foster, Leppert, Oke and Watts.

Moved: Cr Leppert

1. *That the Future Melbourne Committee:*
 - 1.1. *Endorses Planning Scheme Amendment C190 as shown in Attachment 7 and requests management to finalise a proposal to adopt the amendment for Council's consideration.*

- 1.2. *Considers that some recommendations of the Planning Panel report into C190 would fundamentally compromise key elements of the Arden Macaulay Structure Plan, particularly in relation to:*
 - 1.2.1 *The zoning of land along Moonee Ponds Creek which, if agreed by the Minister for Planning without any further action, would severely inhibit the ability for Government acquisition of the public open space necessary to support forecast populations*
 - 1.2.2 *The replacement of predictable built form controls in Areas 6 and 7 with a much more discretionary system (a proposal which property owners and submitters have not been allowed to comment on) which, if agreed by the Minister for Planning, would bring about an entirely different neighbourhood character and community infrastructure needs to that envisaged in the Structure Plan.*
- 1.3. *Considers also that the impact of major State Government transport projects on the Arden Macaulay precinct requires the Council and State to collaborate closely on the best possible planning outcome in this area of strategic importance.*
- 1.4. *In light of the state significance of the Arden Macaulay renewal area, requests management to escalate the issues in paragraph 2 endorsed by this Committee to the Minister for Planning, Minister for Public Transport and Major Projects and Premier, seeking to secure the highest level of assurance possible for the proposition that, upon receipt of an Amendment adopted by Council:*
 - 1.4.1 *The Amendment be approved in the form adopted by Council.*
 - 1.4.2 *The Amendment be approved in conjunction with a Ministerial Amendment under section 20(4) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 that introduces a suitable interim development contributions control over the area affected by Amendment C190.*
 - 1.4.3 *To State Government identify and secure open space along the Moonee Ponds Creek for future recreational purposes, consistent with the Arden-Macaulay Structure Plan 2012.*

Seconded: Cr Oke

The motion was put and carried with the following Councillors voting for the motion: Councillors Foster, Leppert, Mayne, Oke and Watts, and Councillor Ong voting against the motion.

Cr Ong left the meeting at 8.21pm and did not return.

The Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley, returned to the meeting at 8.22pm and assumed the role of chair for the remainder of the meeting.

8. Urgent business

There were no items of proposed urgent business for consideration.

9. Public questions

Rilke Muir, Secretary, Kensington Association, asked about the rumour of a school opening in Kensington.

Cr Leppert said that he had seen flyers but no planning application had been lodged through Council. Cr Leppert said he would take the question on notice and ask officers for an answer.

Kate, resident asked for clarification as whether the five Councillors who had left the meeting did so because of a conflict of interest in agenda item 6.3, Planning Scheme Amendment C190 Arden-Macaulay.

Cr Mayne answered in saying that five Councillors did declare the same conflict of interest and that the details of the disclosure would appear in the minutes of the meeting.

10. Closure of meeting

The Chair, Deputy Lord Mayor, Susan Riley, declared the meeting closed at 8.29pm.

Confirmed at the meeting of Future Melbourne Committee on Tuesday 16 August 2016.


Chair
Future Melbourne Committee

