

Council Meeting

Minutes

Meeting Number 12 Tuesday 29 August 2017 5.30pm

> Council Chambers Level 2 Melbourne Town Hall

Present

Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood Councillors Nicolas Frances Gilley Councillor Philip Le Liu Councillor Rohan Leppert Councillor Kevin Louey Councillor Cathy Oke Councillor Nicholas Reece Councillor Susan Riley Councillor Tessa Sullivan Councillor Jackie Watts

Apology

Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle

1. Commencement of meeting and apologies

The meeting commenced at 5.30pm.

The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood, 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 one report from Committee and 18 reports from management, seven of which were confidential
- an apology had been received from Lord Mayor, Robert Doyle.

2. Disclosures of conflicts of interest

The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood, 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 11, held on Tuesday 25 July 2017, be confirmed.

Seconded:

Cr Reece

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Riley, Sullivan and Watts.

4. Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

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

The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood, advised that the following submissions had been received in accordance with the Council's *Meeting Procedures Code*.

Submissions

In relation to Agenda item 6.4, *Proposed permanent road closure of Elizabeth Street, Melbourne* (southbound carriageway), between Flinders Lane and Flinders Street

Item of correspondence:

Lesli Berger, Fivex.

In relation to Agenda item 6.5, Review of the Yirramboi First Nations Arts Festival 2017 and development of 2019 festival program

Item of correspondence:

Chris Thrum.

In relation to Agenda item 6.6, Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal (QVMPR) Program: Proposed design for the below ground operational area A to D Sheds, including preferred vehicular access point

Items of correspondence:

- Jenny Pyke
- John Magno
- Mary-Lou Howie
- Tristan Davies.

In relation to Agenda item 6.10, Parks and Gardens Advisory Committee Terms of Reference 2017-21

Item of correspondence:

Chris Thrum.

5. Reports from Committee

There was one report from Committee for consideration in the open session.

Planning Portfolio

Cr Reece presented the one report from Committee in relation to the Planning Portfolio.

5.1 Amendment C300 Epworth Freemasons Signage

The purpose of this report was to seek Council's support for the adoption of Melbourne Planning Scheme Amendment C300 Epworth Freemasons Signage.

Councillor Susan Riley declared an indirect conflict of interest in this matter due to conflicting duties under section 77B of the *Local Government Act 1989*. Royal Freemason's has paid for advertising content in a magazine published by Councillor Riley's company, namely 3004 St Kilda Road.

Cr Riley left the meeting at 5.32pm, prior to any discussion taking place.

Moved:

Cr Reece

- 1. That Council:
 - 1.1. Adopts Melbourne Planning Scheme Amendment C300 Epworth
 Freemasons Signage as shown in Attachment 4 of the report from
 management, pursuant to section 29 of the Planning and Environment Act
 1987.
 - 1.2. Submits the Amendment to the Minister for Planning for approval.

Seconded:

Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Sullivan and Watts.

Councillor Riley returned to the meeting at 5.34pm, after the vote had been taken.

6. Reports from management

There were 11 reports from management for consideration in the open session.

6.1 Records of Assemblies of Councillors

The purpose of this report was to present the most recent written records of assemblies of Councillors for Council to note.

Moved:

Cr Riley

That Council notes the written records of the assemblies of Councillors as detailed in Attachment 2 of the report from management.

Seconded:

Cr Oke

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Riley, Sullivan and Watts.

6.2 2016-17 Council Works Program Fourth Quarter report

The purpose of this report was to inform Council of the financial performance of the 2016–17 Council works program at the end of the fourth quarter. It also outlined the progress of Council's major projects.

Moved:

Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

- 1. That Council:
 - 1.1. Notes the 2016–17 Council Works Program fourth quarter report.
 - 1.2. Approves the program adjustments to the 2016–17 Council Works Program that are included in Appendix 2 of the 2016–17 Council Works Program Fourth Quarter report and notes the following significant program adjustments:
 - 1.2.1. additional external contributions received across a number of projects including early receipt of \$352,130 from 2017-18 Victorian Grants Commission Local Road Funding
 - 1.2.2. reduction of \$323,947 external funding for Roads to Recovery program based on Department of Infrastructure and Regional development revised contribution schedule
 - 1.2.3. transfer of \$463,371 from Parks Renewal Works programs towards
 North Melbourne Recreation Reserve Multi-Purpose Court
 - 1.2.4. a proposed \$450,000 reduction to Street Lighting Maintenance project due to savings from the LED Rollout.
 - 1.3. Approves the proposed carry forward funding for projects totalling \$21.94 million as detailed in Appendix 5 of this report.

Seconded:

Cr Oke

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Riley, Sullivan and Watts.

6.3 The Family and Children's Advisory Committee Terms of Reference

The purpose of this report was to seek Council's approval of proposed amendments to the Family and Children's Advisory Committee Terms of Reference to create a designated Aboriginal membership.

Moved: Cr Sullivan

1. That Council:

 Approves the addition of the following paragraphs to the Family and Children's Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference in respect of membership.

'Under section 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010, a dedicated Aboriginal membership has been considered to support Aboriginal representation on the Committee. This special measure recognises the importance of Aboriginal representation to advise Council on the views and interests of Aboriginal people in the municipality.

The inclusion of an Aboriginal member aligns with Council's Reconciliation Action Plan 2015-18 and also with the Council Plan 2017-21 Goal: A city with an Aboriginal focus.'

1.2. Authorises the Director City Communities to make necessary editorial changes to Attachment 2 to reflect the amendments outlined in paragraph 1.1.

Seconded: Cr Frances Gilley

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Riley, Sullivan and Watts.

6.4 Proposed permanent road closure of Elizabeth Street, Melbourne (southbound carriageway), between Flinders Lane and Flinders Street

The purpose of this report was to seek a decision from Council in response to the proposed permanent road closure of the southbound carriageway of Elizabeth Street, between Flinders Lane and Flinders Street.

Moved: Cr Reece

1. That Council:

- 1.1. Approves the permanent road closure of the southbound carriageway of Elizabeth Street, between Flinders Lane and Flinders Street as recommended by the Submissions Committee at Attachment 3 of the report from management.
- 1.2. Notifies all submitters in writing of its decision and the reasons for its decision.

Seconded: Cr Oke

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Riley, Sullivan and Watts.

6.5 Review of the Yirramboi First Nations Arts Festival 2017 and development of 2019 festival program

The purpose of this report was to provide Council with a review of the 2017 Melbourne Indigenous Arts Festival (Yirramboi) and to seek endorsement for the vision and framework of Yirramboi 2019 and its resourcing and delivery.

Moved:

Cr Leppert

- 1. That Council:
 - 1.1. Notes the review of Yirramboi 2017.
 - 1.2. Resolves to proceed with the development of the 2019 Yirramboi First Nations Festival.
 - 1.3. Acknowledges management's intention to request dedicated funds in Council's 2018–19 budget process for Yirramboi 2019 equivalent to that allocated in 2016–17, that being \$751,475 and will provide Council options for further investment to ensure at a minimum the same level of festival as in 2017.

Seconded:

Cr Oke

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Riley, Sullivan and Watts.

6.6 Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal (QVMPR) Program: Proposed design for the below ground operational area A to D sheds, including preferred vehicular access point

The purpose of this report was to seek Council approval of the proposed design for the below ground operational area, A to D sheds, ahead of lodgement of development applications in September 2017, and to advise of changes to the assumptions contained in the Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal (QVMPR) Program Business Case (June 2017).

Moved:

Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

- 1. That Council approves:
 - 1.1. The proposed design, pending Heritage Victoria approval, for the below ground operational area at the western end of Sheds A to D and authorises the Director City Design and Projects to make minor changes as required.
 - 1.2. The location of the vehicular access at the Peel Street end of Shed D.
 - 1.3. The lodgement of planning and heritage permit applications.

Seconded:

Cr Sullivan

The motion was put and carried with the following Councillors voting for the motion: The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Riley and Sullivan, and Councillor Watts voting against the motion.

6.7 Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal (QVMPR) Program Reserve Quarterly Report

The purpose of this report was to inform the Council of the financial performance of the Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal (QVMPR) Program Reserve (QPR) for the quarter ending 30 June 2017, in accordance with the Council resolution of December 2015.

Moved: Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

- 1. That Council:
 - 1.1. Accepts the quarterly Queen Victoria Market Renewal Program Reserve report as at 30 June 2017.
 - 1.2. Notes an additional \$28.2 million to be transferred to the reserve in accordance with the adopted 2017-18 budget.
 - 1.3. Notes an additional \$31.5 million proposed to be transferred to the reserve reflecting sale proceeds for the City Square car park and outperformance on the 2016-17 Council budget by \$0.9 million in accordance with earlier Council resolutions.

Seconded:

Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Riley, Sullivan and Watts.

6.8 Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal (QVMPR) Program – Continuing Business Framework

The purpose of this report was to seek endorsement of the Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal (QVMPR) Continuing Business Framework in response to the Council resolution of August 2016.

Moved:

Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

- 1. That Council:
 - 1.1. Endorses the establishment of the Continuing Business Framework and authorise management to take the next steps to appoint the Trader Support Fund Advisory Committee and implement the Trader Support Program.
 - 1.2. Authorises the Chief Financial Officer to finalise the Establishment Rules after considering feedback from QVM traders and the Trader Support Fund Advisory Committee, having notified Councillors of substantive changes.

Seconded:

Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Riley, Sullivan and Watts.

6.9 Queen Victoria Market Pty Ltd - Statement of Expectations

The purpose of this report was for Council to approve the Statement of Expectations for the Queen Victoria Market Pty Ltd.

Moved:

Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

- 1. That Council:
 - 1.1. Approves the replacement of expectation 1 with 'Recognise, protect and expand the Market's original and primary role as a fresh food market'.
 - 1.2. Approves the Statement of Expectations for the Queen Victoria Market Pty Ltd as amended above.
 - 1.3. Requests the Chief Executive Officer to communicate to the board of Queen Victoria Market Pty Ltd Council's explicit view that sheds H and I should remain predominantly for the purpose of fresh produce trading.

Seconded:

Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Riley, Sullivan and Watts.

6.10 Parks and Gardens Advisory Committee Terms of Reference 2017–2021

The purpose of this report was to seek endorsement for the updated Terms of Reference for the Parks and Gardens Advisory Committee.

Moved:

Cr Oke

That Council endorses the updated Parks and Gardens Advisory Committee Terms of Reference 2017–2021.

Seconded:

Cr Reece

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Riley, Sullivan and Watts.

6.11 Proposed travel, Hamburg and Brussels, October 2017

The purpose of this report was to seek approval for Councillor Rohan Leppert to travel to:

- Hamburg as part of the World Cities project of the European Union managed by the European Commission's Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy.
- Brussels to participate in the 15th European Week of Cities and Regions.

Moved:

Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

- 1. That Council:
 - 1.1. Approves the proposed travel by Councillor Rohan Leppert to Hamburg and Brussels as part of activities associated with the European Union's World Cities Project and 15th European Week of Cities and Regions in October 2017 at an estimated cost to Council of \$7450.
 - 1.2. Notes that Councillor Leppert will prepare a report for the Future Melbourne Committee or Council within 60 days of return from travel.

Seconded:

Cr Le Liu

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Riley, Sullivan and Watts.

7. General business

There were no items of general business for consideration in the open session.

8. Urgent business

There were no items of proposed urgent business for consideration in the open session.

9. Closure of meeting

Moved:

Cr Riley

That pursuant to sections 89(2)(a), (d) and (h) of the Local Government Act 1989, the meeting of the Council be closed to members of the public for the consideration of the items under the following categories:

- Agenda items 6.12 and 6.16a, as they contain information which if released would prejudice the Council or any person.
- Agenda items 6.13 and 6.17, as they contain information about personnel matters.
- Agenda items 6.14, 6.15 and 6.16, as they contain information about contractual matters.

Seconded:

Cr Reece

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece, Riley, Sullivan and Watts.

The Chair, Acting Lord Mayor, Arron Wood, declared the open meeting closed at 7.04pm.

Confirmed at the meeting of Council on Tuesday 26 September 2017.

Chair Council

