

# **Future Melbourne Committee**

# **Minutes**

Meeting Number 48 Monday 10 December 2018 5.30pm

> Council Meeting Room Level 2 Melbourne Town Hall

# Present

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp
Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood
Councillor Philip Le Liu
Councillor Rohan Leppert
Councillor Kevin Louey
Councillor Cathy Oke
Councillor Nicholas Reece
Councillor Susan Riley
Councillor Jackie Watts

## **Apologies**

Councillor Nicolas Frances Gilley Councillor Pinder-Mortimer

To be confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee on Tuesday 5 February 2019.

### 1. Commencement of meeting and apologies

The meeting commenced at 5.32pm.

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 four reports from management
- apologies had been received from Councillors Frances Gilley and Pinder-Mortimer.

#### 2. Disclosure of conflicts of interest

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

# 3. Confirmation of minutes of the previous meeting

Moved:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

That the minutes of meeting No 47, held on Tuesday 4 December 2018, be confirmed.

Seconded:

Cr Oke

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

# 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

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 *Meeting Procedures Code*.

## Submissions/Correspondence

In relation to Agenda item 6.1, 'Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal Program – People's Panel Final Report':

# Requests to speak:

- Janice Crosswhite OAM, member QVMPR People's Panel
- Leah Moore, member QVMPR People's Panel
- Mary-Lou Howie, member QVMPR People's Panel
- Ray Cowling.

## Item of Correspondence:

Ray Cowling.

In relation to Agenda item 6.3, 'Planning Permit Application: TP-2016-858, 58-66 La Trobe Street, Melbourne':

### Requests to speak:

- Jun Xie
- Xiaodi An
- Daniel Soussan, Tract Consultants Pty Ltd
- · Kok Peng Yip.

#### Items of Correspondence:

- Xiaodi An
- Jun Xie
- Daniel Soussan, Tract Consultants Pty Ltd.

In relation to Agenda item 6.4, 'Federation Square Victorian Heritage Register Nomination Submission':

# Requests to speak:

- Chris Thrum
- Felicity Watson, National Trust.

## Items of Correspondence:

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## **Major Projects Portfolio**

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp continued in the role of Chair for the Committee to consider the two reports from management in relation to the Major Projects Portfolio.

## 6.1 Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal Program - People's Panel Final Report

The purpose of this report was for the Committee to formally receive the People's Panel Report for the provision of market infrastructure and car parking at Queen Victoria Market.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Janice Crosswhite OAM
- Marv-Lou Howie
- Leah Moore
- Ray Cowling.

Moved:

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
  - 1.1. Receives the Queen Victoria Market People's Panel Report and thanks all panel participants for their commitment to the process.
  - 1.2. Agrees with seven (7) recommendations and requests management to immediately progress, namely:

Recommendation 1	Review of Infrastructure for traders (storage and amenities)
Recommendation 2	Restore heritage fabric whilst preserving and enhancing tangible and intangible cultural heritage significance of the market
Recommendation 6	Improve infrastructure and amenities in the Food Court
Recommendation 8	Provide appropriate and planned recreational space in Queen Street between upper and lower market
Recommendation 9	Develop creative spaces throughout the market to attract and retain families and better engage customers
Recommendation 12	Weather proofing of Sheds

Recommendation 14	Southern Development Site

1.3. Agrees in principle with six (6) of the other seven (7) recommendations and requests management to undertake further analysis of three (3) recommendations, namely:

Recommendation 4	Allow for car parking spaces for vans, buses and large vehicles
Recommendation 5	Develop G Shed for various infrastructure improvements
Recommendation 7	Dedicated recycling stations ground level or below G Shed

And requests management to refer three (3) recommendations to the Board of the Queen Victoria Market Pty Ltd for its consideration, namely:

Recommendation 10	Increased customer focus for the market
Recommendation 11	Access of customers around the market and facilities
Recommendation 13	Guarantee security of tenure for traders

#### 1.4. Requests management to:

- 1.4.1. In addition to the 500 car parks in Munro, investigate an additional 500 car parks in the precinct with the current at grade car park to become an open space once transitional parking there is no longer required.
- 1.4.2. Investigate the minority report.
- 1.4.3. Provide a report in the first quarter of 2019 on the further analysis of three recommendations outlined in 1.3 and investigations into the minority report, including the overall impact of these recommendations on the business case and implementation strategy.

Seconded:

Cr Reece

Cr Leppert left the meeting at 6.09pm and returned at 6.12pm.

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp and Cr Reece, as the mover and seconder of the motion, agreed to incorporate an additional paragraph (1.4.4) proposed by Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood, which reads:

1.4.4. Make public the revised business case and makes public the revised gross costs of the total project (sunk costs not net budget) incorporating any new options.

#### Foreshadowed motion

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood gave notice that he intended to move the following motion in the event the substantive motion failed:

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
  - 1.1. Receives the Queen Victoria Market People's Panel Report and thanks all panel participants for their commitment to the process.
  - 1.2. Requests management to move forward with recommendations 1, 2, 6, 8, 9 and 12 and requests further analysis on recommendations 4, 5 and 7.
  - 1.3. Refers recommendations 10, 11 and 13 to the QVM Board for their consideration.
  - 1.4. Does not support recommendations 3, 14 or the minority report.
  - 1.5. Notes that no viable shovel ready alternative to the original proposal was pursed by the majority or minority report.
  - 1.6. Requests management submit a revised permit application to Heritage Victoria which addresses as many of the concerns outlined in the Heritage Victoria permit refusal report as practical. Retains in the revised application the core of the project which is basement carparking and facilities under sheds A-D deemed so critical to

the compelling independent business cases, the long-term sustainability of Queen Victoria Market and the full delivery of 1.5ha of new open space.

The substantive motion was put and carried with the following Councillors voting for the motion: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, and Councillors Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Reece and Watts and the following Councillors voting against the motion: Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillor Riley.

The resolution in its entirety reads:

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### 6.2 Bourke Street Precinct Redevelopment: Application for a Planning Permit

The purpose of this report was to seek approval from Committee to submit an application for a Planning Permit to the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, and an application for a Heritage Permit to Heritage Victoria for the Bourke Street Precinct Redevelopment.

Moved:

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp

- That the Future Melbourne Committee approves the submission of:
  - 1.1. An application for a Planning Permit to the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning for the Bourke Street Precinct Redevelopment, based on the report from management and ensuring that the design of the new Council House 1 includes adequate space within the Public Commons to accommodate the City Library should this be required.
  - 1.2. An application for a Heritage Permit to Heritage Victoria for the upgrade and refurbishment of the former Commonwealth Bank building, as part of the Bourke Street Precinct Redevelopment.

Seconded:

Cr Reece

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

### Planning (General) Portfolio

Cr Reece assumed the role of Chair for the Committee to consider the one report from management in relation to the Planning (General) Portfolio.

# 6.3 Planning Permit Application: TP-2016-858, 58-66 La Trobe Street, Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Committee of a planning application seeking approval for partial demolition, buildings and works to refurbish the existing building fronting La Trobe Street including construction of one additional level above the retained building, construction of a new 34 storey building located to the rear of the site for use as dwellings, a residential hotel and ground floor shop, and a reduction in the standard car parking rate at 58-66 La Trobe Street, Melbourne.

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp declared an indirect conflict of interest in Agenda items 6.3 and 6.4 because of receipt of applicable gifts under Section 78C of the *Local Government Act 1989*. In relation to Agenda item 6.3, Lord Mayor Sally Capp received an election campaign donation from the architect of the proposal. In relation to Agenda item 6.4, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp received an election campaign donation from a board member of Federation Square Pty Ltd. Lord Mayor, Sally Capp left the meeting at 6.59pm, prior to any discussion taking place.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Jun Xie
- Xiaodi An
- Daniel Soussan, Tract Consultants Pty Ltd
- Kok Peng Yip.

Moved:

Cr Reece

That the Future Melbourne Committee resolves to issue a Notice of Decision to Grant a Permit subject to the conditions set out 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, Councillor Reece, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood and Councillors Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Riley and Watts.

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood left the meeting at 7.24pm.

# Planning (Heritage) Portfolio

Cr Leppert assumed the role of Chair for the Committee to consider the one report from management in relation to the Planning (Heritage) Portfolio.

# 6.4 Federation Square Victorian Heritage Register Nomination Submission

The purpose of this report was to present the recommendation by Executive Director of Heritage Victoria to include Federation Square on the Victorian Heritage register and to recommend that management makes a submission to the Heritage Council in support of this recommendation as informed by the peer review by Built Heritage consultants.

Cr Le Liu left the meeting at 7.26pm.

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood returned to the meeting at 7.27pm.

Cr Le Liu returned to the meeting at 7.28pm.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Chris Thrum
- Felicity Watson, National Trust.

Moved:

Cr Leppert

- 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:
  - 1.1. Notes the recommendation by the Executive Director of the Heritage Victoria to include Federation Square on the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) and the peer review by Built Heritage supporting this recommendation.
  - 1.2. Authorises management to make a submission to the Heritage Council of Victoria in support of the recommendation by the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria, subject to the following:
    - 1.2.1. Inclusion under Criterion G (social significance) of an acknowledgement of the Aboriginal heritage significance of Federation Square.
    - 1.2.2. Inclusion under Criterion H (associative significance) of an acknowledgement of the contribution of design firm Karres+Brands.
    - 1.2.3. Exclusion of the following areas from the extent of registration as shown in Attachments 4 and 5 of the report from management:
      - 1.2.3.1. Flinders and Swanston Street roadways beyond the boundary of Federation Square with the exception of the freestanding blade sign.
      - 1.2.3.2. The Victorian era bluestone Princes Walk Vaults and associated bluestone balustrade.
    - 1.2.4. Inclusion of two specific permit exemptions as set out in item 1 of Attachment 6 of the report from management.
    - 1.2.5. Two further permit exemptions as set out in items 2 and 3 of Attachment 6 of the report from management if the Heritage Council of Victoria does not support an amendment to the extent of registration relating to the Flinders and Swanston Street footpaths/roadways.
  - 1.3. Should the recommendation to include Federation Square on the Victorian Heritage Register proceed to a Heritage Council Hearing under section 46(2) of the Heritage Act 2017, authorise management to request to be represented at the Hearing.

Seconded:

Cr Reece

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

#### Referral notice process triggered

In accordance with the delegation to the Committee, this decision was passed by the Committee on an affirmative vote of less than six members of the Committee and accordingly the referral notice process was triggered.

The Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, returned to the meeting at 7.45pm after the vote had been taken and resumed the role of Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

#### 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.

#### Public questions

There were no public questions.

### 10. Closure of meeting

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, declared the meeting closed at 7.46pm.

To be confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee on Tuesday 5 February 2019.

Chair

Future Melbourne Committee