

**CITY OF MELBOURNE** 

# **Council Meeting**

# **Minutes**

Meeting Number 55 Tuesday 30 June 2020 5.30pm

Council Chambers Level 2 Melbourne Town Hall

## Present

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp
Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood
Councillors Nicolas Frances Gilley
Councillor Philip Le Liu
Councillor Rohan Leppert
Councillor Kevin Louey
Councillor Cathy Oke
Councillor Beverley Pinder-Mortimer
Councillor Nicholas Reece
Councillor Susan Riley
Councillor Jackie Watts

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## 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 one report from Committee, ten reports from management, of which five were confidential and two items of general business
- No apologies had been received.

#### 2. Disclosures 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:

Cr Riley

That the minutes of meeting No 54, held on Tuesday 26 May 2020, be confirmed.

Seconded:

Cr Pinder-Mortimer

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, 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.

## Submissions/Correspondence

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, advised that no submissions had been received in accordance with the Council's *Meeting Procedures Code*.

## 5. Reports from Committee

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

## **Major Projects Portfolio**

## 5.1 Market Square Charter and Place Name

The purpose of this report was to recommend that Council adopt the Market Square Charter for the new public open space at Queen Victoria Market, and recommend that management pursue an Aboriginal place name for Market Square.

Moved:

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp

- 1 That Council:
  - 1.1. Endorses the Market Square Charter (the Charter (Attachment 2 of the report from management)) as the framework for the new public open space, to inform the design and guide future management and operations, subject to the following amendments:

1.1.1. Replace the first two paragraphs in the introduction with:

Market Square is the name now given to an open space within the Queen Victoria Market heritage registered place, a place of and for the community.

Reflecting the State and National heritage significance of the cemetery and Queen Victoria Market site as a whole, and its history, context and working relationship the Queen Victoria Market, Market Square is a place which responds to the diverse needs of the community and contributes to the economic viability and fine grain mercantile nature of the QVM.

#### 1.1.2. Replace principle 3 with:

Enhance the public's Queen Victoria Market experience, by supporting activities and events that complement market visits and contribute to the economic viability of the QVM. Permitted activities on the site should respond to existing community and individual rituals allowing for new rituals and activities to emerge.

- 1.2. Respectfully acknowledges all persons buried in the cemetery and their descendants, and endorses management, in conjunction with Aboriginal Melbourne, consulting with the relevant Traditional Owner groups and determining an Aboriginal place name for the new public open space.
- 1.3. Authorises the General Manager Capital Projects and Infrastructure to make any further minor editorial changes to the Charter prior to publication.
- 1.4. Acknowledges the Charter will be reviewed and updated by Council at two key points: when a new place name is established, and when the design process is complete and the square is operational to ensure that the Charter accurately reflects the final outcomes.
- 1.5. Acknowledges calls from heritage advocates, traders and others for a steering committee to oversee appropriate uses in Market Square.

Seconded:

Cr Leppert

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

#### 6. Reports from management

There were five 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:

Deputy Lord Mayor Arron Wood

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

Seconded:

Cr Rilev

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

## 6.2 ITT Contract 3624 - Employee Benefit, Recognition and Wellbeing Platform

The purpose of this report was to award a tender for the provision of a new Employee Benefit, Recognition and Wellbeing Platform for a term of three years with two, one year options to extend.

Moved:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

That Council awards the contract for the provision of an Employee Benefit, Recognition and Wellbeing Platform (contract 3624) to Reward Gateway Pty Ltd, for a term of three years with two options to extend the initial term by up to a further one year each, for the contract sum \$334,000 (plus GST) in the initial term and otherwise subject to and in accordance with the negotiated terms and conditions of contract.

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

#### 6.3 Precinct Development Program 2017-21 Year 4 Funding

The purpose of this report was to seek Council approval of funding recommendations for year four of the Precinct Development Program 2017–21.

Moved:

Cr Louey

- 1. That Council:
  - 1.1. Approves the waiving of the requirement to collect a minimum number of \$50 membership dues to be eligible for precinct association funding for year four until precinct funding applications open in 2021.
  - 1.2. Approves \$624,000 overall funding in the 2020–21 Council budget for year four of the Precinct Development Program 2017–21.
  - 1.3. Notes that the funding will be distributed to each precinct in accordance with the Precinct Development Program Guidelines 2017–21 (refer Attachment 2 of the report from management). The following precincts will be funded: Carlton Inc., Chinatown Precinct Association, City Precinct, Collins Street Precinct Group, Docklands Chamber of Commerce, Greek Precinct Association, Kensington Business Association, North & West Melbourne Precinct Association and Yarra River Business Association.
  - 1.4. Approves the details of the successful applicants being made public following the passing of this resolution.
  - 1.5. Notes management's intention to undertake a review the current Program throughout 2020-21 to allow for Council consideration ahead of the current program ending 30 June 2021.

Seconded:

Cr Rilev

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

#### 6.4 Procurement Policy Review

The purpose of this report was to review the current procurement policy and approve the revised Procurement Policy.

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Moved:

Deputy Lord Mayor Arron Wood

That Council approves the revised Procurement Policy (refer Attachment 2 of the report from

management).

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

## 6.5 Maintenance of and New Works to Portable Communications Services Contract 3617

The purpose of this report was to award a contract for the provision of Maintenance of and New Works to Portable Communications and Equipment for three years, with an option to extend the contract term by up to a further two years.

Moved:

Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood

That Council awards the contract for the provision of Maintenance of and New Works to Portable Communications and Equipment to CSE Crosscom Pty Ltd for a term of three years commencing 1 August 2020 in accordance with the schedule of rates (at a cost of \$109,000 (excl. GST) in year one), with an option to extend the contract term by up to a further two years and otherwise in accordance with the negotiated terms and conditions of the contract.

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

## 7. General business

There were two items of General business for consideration in the open session.

#### 7.1 Notice of Motion, Cr Leppert: Delegations Policy amendment

Moved:

Cr Leppert

That Council amend its Delegations Policy to add an automatic referral to Council or the relevant Committee of any proposals "to approve a final concept plan for capital works construction projects with construction value of \$1 million or more that are new capital works projects in the public realm including inside publicly accessible civic buildings", in accordance with the attachment to the notice.

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

#### 7.2 Notice of Motion: Cr Reece: Save Community TV in Melbourne, Channel 31

Cr Frances-Gilley left the meeting at 6.19pm and returned at 6.20pm.

Moved:

Cr Reece

#### That Council:

- Congratulates the Commonwealth Government and Victorian State Government for their decision to support the extension of the broadcasting licence for Channel 31 for a further 12 months.
- Notes the awarding of a \$120,000 grant from the Victorian State Government, which will support Channel 31 in transitioning to a digital model.
- 3. Recognises Channel 31 as a vital community media outlet in Melbourne and Geelong which provides an important community service and has been a training ground for thousands of people working in the creative industries.
- 4. Notes that at a time when media outlets are closing in record numbers and workers in creative industries are amongst the worst hit by the coronavirus services such as Channel 31 are vital to the life of the community.

Seconded: Cr Watts

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

## 8. Urgent business

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

## Closure of meeting

Moved:

Cr Frances Gilley

That pursuant to section 66 of the Local Government Act 2020 (Act), the meeting of the Council be closed to members of the public for the consideration of the items under the following categories:

- Agenda items 14.1, 14.3, 14.4 and 14.5 as they contain private commercial information which if released would unreasonably expose the business, commercial or financial undertaking to disadvantage by disclosing financial information to their competitors.
- Agenda item 14.2 it contains council business information which if released would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released.

Seconded: Cr Pinder-Mortimer

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 Frances Gilley, Le Liu, Leppert, Louey, Oke, Pinder-Mortimer, Reece, Riley and Watts.

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, declared the meeting closed at 6.36 pm.

Confirmed at the meeting of Council on Tuesday 28 July 2020.

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