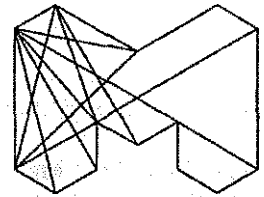


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CITY OF MELBOURNE

Future Melbourne Committee Minutes

**Meeting Number 6
Tuesday 2 March 2021
5.30pm**

**Council Chambers
Level 2
Melbourne Town Hall**

Present

Lord Mayor Sally Capp
Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece
Councillor Olivia Ball
Councillor Roshena Campbell
Councillor Jason Chang
Councillor Elizabeth Doidge
Councillor Davydd Griffiths
Councillor Jamal Hakim
Councillor Philip Le Liu
Councillor Rohan Leppert
Councillor Kevin Louey

Confirmed at the meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee
On Tuesday 16 March 2021

C o n f i r m e d m i n u t e s

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 four reports from management and one item of general business
- no apologies had been received from Councillors.

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, acknowledged the passing of Michael Gudinski on behalf of the Councillors and the City of Melbourne. The Lord Mayor remembered Mr Gudinski as a driver and legend in the music industry who contributed enormously to Melbourne becoming world renowned for its live music. The Lord Mayor noted that in recent times Mr Gudinski had been central to City of Melbourne's secret busker program and had been personally invested in helping drive economic reactivation. Condolences were passed on to the Gudinski family and those affected. The Lord Mayor stated that the City of Melbourne would take appropriate action to recognise Mr Gudinski and his impact on the city.

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 Campbell

That the minutes of meeting No 5, held on Tuesday 16 February 2021, be confirmed.

Seconded: Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece and Councillors Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

4. Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meetings

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

5. Public questions

The Lord Mayor, Sally Capp advised that two public questions had been received.

Question from Ann Brady – Queen Victoria Market

Ann asked a question verbally relating to the renewal of the Queen Victoria Market and how the parking capacity of the market will be impacted with the changes to the Market Square.

The Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, provided the following response from management:

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to have a significant impact on the market, as well as the broader city, resulting in an increased reliance on cars. In light of this ongoing situation, the renewal team is developing a revised approach to transition the current asphalt car into future 1.75 hectares of new public open space.

The first phase of this transition will be aligned to the opening of 500 market car parking spaces at the Munro site, which is on track for mid this year. Small sections of the current car park will be temporarily transformed to support activation and testing of ideas with the community and help bring people to the precinct. A draft activation plan will be considered at an upcoming Council meeting.

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The phasing will ensure appropriate car park numbers are maintained for market customers as we continue to navigate the pandemic, with the full transformation of the car park only occurring when a further up to 500 car parks are delivered on the future Southern Site. This will take the total car parking in the precinct to up to 1000 car parks across two locations. More details will be shared with the community in the coming months.

Question from Chris Thrum – revitalisation of night time economy

Chris submitted a written question asking whether the City of Melbourne should aim to become an action-packed 24 hour city, with a late night hospitality sector and busy cultural entertainment venues.

The Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, provided the following response from management:

Prior to COVID-19, Melbourne had Australia's fastest growing night time economy, which contributed \$3.5 billion in annual turnover and represented 31,000 jobs. COVID-19 has disproportionately impacted the night time economy, with government policy settings restricting trade and continuing to limit venue density, while night time pedestrian activity in the city has dropped substantially. The City of Melbourne is committed to ensuring the night time economy of the city not only recovers, but regains a positive growth trajectory. Reinvigorating Melbourne's night time economy will require ideas, input and support from a broad range of stakeholders, and that's why the City of Melbourne is currently establishing the Night Time Economy Advisory Committee.

6. Reports from management

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, advised that the following submissions had been received in accordance with the Council's Governance Rules.

Submissions/Correspondence

In relation to Agenda item 6.1, **Planning Permit Application: TP-2020-357, 5 Curran Street, North Melbourne:**

Requests to speak:

- Kate Ritchie
- Rick Gardner
- Daniel Soussan, Tract Consultants
- Rob McGauran, MGS Architects
- Chris Jones, MGS Architects
- Michael Beaconsfield, Mainstone.

Items of correspondence:

- Elizabeth Carr
- Daniel Soussan, Tract Consultants
- Rob McGauran, MGS Architects
- Chris Jones, MGS Architects
- Barbara Champion
- Kate Ritchie
- Anne McPherson
- Rick Gardner
- Neil King.

In relation to Agenda item 6.2, **Ministerial Planning Referral: TPM-2020-18, 582-590, 592, 594-598, 600-608 Elizabeth Street and 277-283 Queensberry Street, Melbourne:**

Requests to speak:

- Jamie Govenlock, Urbis
- Tim Jackson, Jackson Clement Burrows.

Items of correspondence:

- Rohan Storey, Melbourne Heritage Action
- Jack Allworth, Urbis.

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In relation to Agenda item 6.3, **Melbourne Vacant Shops:**

Request to speak:

- Wayne Coles-Janess.

Item of Correspondence:

- Wayne Coles-Janess.

In relation to Agenda item 6.4, **Economic activation of Melbourne precincts – planned approach:**

Request to speak:

- Wayne Coles-Janess.

Item of Correspondence:

- Wayne Coles-Janess.

In relation to Agenda item 7.1, **Notice of Motion: Councillor Roshena Campbell, Free parking for Moomba weekend:**

Items of correspondence:

- Sarah Marsden
- Timothy Clifford
- Claudia Marck.

Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece assumed the role of Chair for the Committee to consider two reports from management in relation to the City Planning Portfolio.

6.1 Planning Permit Application: TP-2020-357, 5 Curran Street, North Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Future Melbourne Committee of a planning permit application seeking approval for demolition; and buildings and works for the construction of a three storey building to contain dwellings and a basement car park at 5 Curran Street, North Melbourne.

The following people addressed the Committee:

- Kate Ritchie
- Rick Gardner
- Daniel Soussan, Tract Consultants
- Rob McGauran, MGS Architects
- Chris Jones, MGS Architects
- Michael Beaconsfield, Mainstone.

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas 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, Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp and Councillors Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

6.2 Ministerial Planning Referral: TPM-2020-18, 582-590, 592, 594-598, 600-608 Elizabeth Street and 277-283 Queensberry Street, Melbourne

The purpose of this report was to advise the Future Melbourne Committee of a Ministerial Planning Application seeking approval for partial demolition and construction of a multi storey building with basement levels for use as retail and office at 582-590, 592, 594-598, 600-608 Elizabeth Street and 277- 283 Queensberry Street, Melbourne.

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The following people addressed the Committee:

- Jamie Govenlock, Urbis
- Tim Jackson, Jackson Clement Burrows.

Moved: Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece

1. *That the Future Melbourne Committee resolves to advise the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning that the Melbourne City Council does not object to the application subject to the conditions detailed in the Delegate Report, with the following additional requirements:*
 - 1.1 *Retention of the Elizabeth street frontage of the contributory graded heritage building at 592 Elizabeth St, with the corresponding ground floor restructuring and an increased upper level setback including retention of the corresponding southern return wall to 594-598 Elizabeth St so as to avoid 'facadism'.*
 - 1.2 *Submission and approval of a Façade Strategy, to confirm and further emphasise the articulation of the upper levels as separate volumes of distinct architectural character.*

Seconded: Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp and Councillors Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

The Lord Mayor, Sally Capp assumed the chair for the remainder of the meeting.

6.3 Melbourne Vacant Shops

The purpose of this report was to update Councillors on work completed to date to activate retail precincts and vacant shops across the City of Melbourne.

The following person addressed the Committee:

- Wayne Coles-Janess.

Moved: Cr Campbell

1. *That the Future Melbourne Committee:*
 - 1.1 *Notes the work completed to date to activate retail precincts and vacant shopfronts across the City of Melbourne through the programs that form part the Melbourne City Recovery Fund.*
 - 1.2 *Endorses the critical role that precinct associations play in the activation of vacant shopfronts across the city.*

Seconded: Cr Leppert

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece and Councillors Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

6.4 Economic activation of Melbourne precincts – planned approach

The purpose of this report was to update Councillors on the planned approach to activate retail precincts across the City of Melbourne.

The following person addressed the Committee:

- Wayne Coles-Janess.

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Moved: Cr Louey

That the Future Melbourne Committee endorses the planned approach to activate retail precincts and vacant shopfronts across the City of Melbourne through the programs that form part of the Melbourne City Recovery Fund, and requests that the program for commissioning, proposed key contract terms and objectives, and how we will measure and report success, be provided to councillors by briefing paper in advance of implementation.

Seconded: Cr Chang

The motion was put and carried unanimously with the following Councillors present: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece and Councillors Ball, Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

Lord Mayor, Sally Capp undertook that management would make contact with Mr Coles-Janess to enable him to become involved in future consultation on economic reactivation.

7. General business

There was one item of General business for consideration.

7.1 Notice of Motion, Councillor Roshena Campbell: Free parking for Moomba weekend

Moved: Cr Campbell

1. *That the Future Melbourne Committee:*
 - 1.1. *Notes the take up of the previous free-parking campaign held from 1 December 2020 to 3 January 2021, with more than 157,000 downloads of free-parking vouchers from the City of Melbourne website.*
 - 1.2. *Approves the temporary amendment to City of Melbourne on-street parking that would allow motorists to park in paid parking bays without payment for the time period indicated on the existing regulatory signs for the Moomba long weekend: from midday Friday 5 March 2021 to 11.59pm Monday 8 March 2021 inclusive.*
 - 1.3. *Notes that motorists will not need to display any vouchers to participate in this free parking program over the Moomba long weekend and that motorists may receive an infringement if they overstay the time indicated or park in a manner prohibited by the regulatory signs.*
 - 1.4. *Requests the Lord Mayor write to the Minister for Transport to request the consideration of discounted or free public transport.*

Seconded: Cr Doidge

The motion was put and carried with the following Councillors voting for the motion: The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, Deputy Lord Mayor, Nicholas Reece and Councillors Campbell, Chang, Doidge, Griffiths, Le Liu and Louey; and the following Councillors voting against the motion: Councillors Ball, Hakim and Leppert.

8. Urgent business

There were no items of proposed urgent business for consideration.

9. Public questions

There were no further public questions.

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10. Closure of meeting

The Chair, Lord Mayor, Sally Capp, declared the meeting closed at 7.54pm.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Sally Capp". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Sally" being larger and more prominent than the last name "Capp".

Chair
Future Melbourne Committee

