

CITY OF MELBOURNE

Council Meeting

Minutes

Meeting Number 17 Tuesday 26 April 2022 5.30pm

Council Chambers Level 2 Melbourne Town Hall

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Present Lord Mayor Sally Capp

Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece Councillor Dr Olivia Ball (via Zoom) Councillor Roshena Campbell Councillor Jason Chang Councillor Davydd Griffiths Councillor Jamal Hakim Councillor Philip Le Liu Councillor Rohan Leppert Councillor Kevin Louey

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Apology

Councillor Elizabeth Doidge

Confirmed at the meeting of Council on Tuesday 31 May 2022

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, four reports from management, of which one were confidential
- an apology had been received from Cr Doidge
- Cr Dr Ball was participating in this evening's meeting via livestream.

The Chair, Lord Mayor Sally Capp, acknowledged Chris Thrum, a regular and significant participant to the question time portion of Council and Future Melbourne Committee meetings, who is unwell. She thanked him for his frequent participation and wished him all the best for a speedy recovery.

2. Disclosures of conflicts of interest

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

3. Confirmation of minutes of the previous meeting

Moved: Cr Campbell

That the minutes of meeting No 16, held on Tuesday 29 March 2022, be confirmed.

Seconded: Cr Le Liu

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 Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

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.

5. Reports from Committee

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

The Lord Mayor Sally Capp called on Cr Leppert as chair of the Heritage portfolio to present agenda item 5.1.

5.1 Planning Scheme Amendment C387 Hoddle Grid Heritage (Permanent controls)

The purpose of this report was to recommend that Council, having considered the Amendment C387 Panel's report and recommendations, adopts Planning Scheme Amendment C387.

Cr Griffiths declared a material conflict of interest in this matter pursuant to section 128(3)(f) of the Local Government Act 2020. Cr Griffiths consults with business stakeholders affected by this item. Cr Griffiths left the meeting at 5:34pm prior to discussion taking place.

Cr Dr Ball declared a material conflict of interest in this matter pursuant to section 128(3)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2020.* Cr Dr Ball's father is an affected property owner. Cr Dr Ball left the meeting at 5:34pm prior to discussion taking place.

Cr Le Liu declared a general conflict of interest in this matter pursuant to section 127 of the Local Government Act 2020. Cr Le Liu resides in the area affected by this report. Cr Le Liu left the meeting at 5:34pm prior to discussion taking place.

Moved:	Cr Leppert	
	1,	That Council:
	1	1.1. Considers the independent Planning Panel's report for Melbourne Planning Scheme Amendment C387 Hoddle Grid Heritage Review at Attachment 2 of the report from management and accepts management's recommendations as set out in Attachment 3 of the report from management.
	1	1.2. Adopts Melbourne Planning Scheme Amendment C387 with the changes reflected in the amendment documentation as shown in Attachment 4 of the report from management.
:	. 1	1.3. Directs management to submit the adopted Amendment to the Minister for Planning for approval.
:		1.4. Authorises the General Manager Strategy, Planning and Climate Change to make any editorial or policy neutral changes to the Amendment documentation prior to lodging with the Minister for Planning for approval, should this be necessitated by one or more other amendments being gazetted prior to Amendment C387.
	- 	1.5. Authorises the General Manager Strategy, Planning and Climate Change to
	1	1.6. Notes receipt of late Submission 67 and that it will not be considered.
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Seconded:	Deputy L	ord 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 Campbell, Chang, Hakim, Leppert and Louey.

Councillors Dr Ball, Griffiths and Le Liu returned to the meeting at 5:37pm.

6. Reports from management

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

6.1 Revitalisation of Creative Laneways: Flash Forward

The purpose of this report was to inform Council of the outcomes of the Creative Laneways Program (Program) and to seek endorsement to pursue funding for a second phase of work.

Moved: Cr Hakim

- 1. That Council:
 - 1.1. Notes the outcomes to-date of the Creative Laneways Program

1.2. Requests that management pursues funding opportunities to implement a second phase of the Creative Laneways Program in the municipality.

Seconded: Cr Griffiths

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 Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

6.2 Strategic review of City of Melbourne's international relationships

The purpose of this report was to seek endorsement from Council to proceed with the review of the City of Melbourne's international relationships ('Review'), consistent with the focus of Major Initiative 8 in Council Plan 2021-25.

Moved: Cr Louey

- 1. That Council:
 - 1.1. Endorses the proposed scope of the strategic review of the City of Melbourne's international relationships as found in the report from management, but replacing the themes and intended outcomes with the following:

Theme	Intended outcomes
Economic development	 Support Melbourne's knowledge-intensive industries to become globally competitive, to enable long term recovery and prosperity.
	 Support international focussed actions in the Economic Development Strategy, with recommendations on how, why and identifying the right cities/networks.
	Promote Melbourne's brand.
Knowledge acquisition and sharing	 Increase exchanges and facilitate learning between Melbourne and international best practice cities, to drive climate and biodiversity resilience, support delivery of the Council Plan, and to advance the UN SDGs.
Community and	Improve cross-cultural understanding.
cultural links	 Artistic and community exchanges that encourage creativity and cultural connection.
Peace, aid and development	Exchange knowledge with countries in the region, within the UN SDGs framework.

- 1.2. Endorses the planned process for the delivery of the review, incorporating the appointment of a panel of experts guiding City of Melbourne expertise in the review and drafting of a new international engagement strategy.
- 1.3. Requests management provide the Future Melbourne Committee with a draft international engagement strategy for consideration by October 2022.

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 Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

6.3 Melbourne Graffiti Blitz Update

The purpose of this report was to provide an update on the Melbourne Graffiti Blitz (the blitz) program, including the amount of graffiti cleaned and types of assets and property cleaned.

- Moved: Lord Mayor Sally Capp
 - 1. That Council:
 - 1.1. Notes the outcomes to-date of the Melbourne Graffiti Blitz Program.
 - 1.2. Requests that management work with the Victorian Government, Victoria Police and M9 Councils for a coordinated approach to graffiti deterrents, including:
 - 1.2.1. Review of service standards for removing graffiti from public assets
 - 1.2.2. Investigating opportunities for graffiti prevention and deterrence initiatives
 - 1.3. Requests that management:
 - 1.3.1. Provide a brief to councillors on the impact on response times across the City of Melbourne to graffiti reports during the period of the Hoddle Grid graffiti blitz including a breakdown by area, asset type and response time including the longest and shortest response times, by 10 May 2022.
 - 1.3.2. Report on the number of requests to remove graffiti with a breakdown by area, month, asset type and response times including the shortest and longest completion times for the 21-22 financial year by the end of July 2022.
 - 1.4. Requests that the Lord Mayor writes to Ministers Neville, Hutchins and Carroll to seek their urgent assistance in coordinating an approach to address the increase in graffiti across inner Melbourne.

Seconded: Cr Campbell

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 Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

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 to the public

Moved: Cr Hakim

- 1. 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:
 - 1.1 Agenda item 14.1 as it contains private commercial information, which if released, would unreasonably expose the business to disadvantage by disclosing financial information to competitors.

Seconded: Cr Griffiths

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 Dr Ball, Campbell, Chang, Griffiths, Hakim, Le Liu, Leppert and Louey.

The Chair, Lord Mayor Sally Capp, declared the meeting closed to the public at 6:11pm.

Confirmed at the meeting of Council on Tuesday 31 May 2022.

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