



Ordinary Meeting of Council Minutes

**held on Tuesday 4 September 2018 at 7.00pm
Richmond Town Hall**

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1. Statement of Recognition of Wurundjeri Land

“Welcome to the City of Yarra.”

“Yarra City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri as the Traditional Owners of this country, pays tribute to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Yarra and gives respect to the Elders past and present.”

1. A. Vale – Willys Keeble

At tonight’s meeting I seek to acknowledge the contribution to Yarra and Melbourne of conservation architect, Willys Keeble who died last week, battling cancer over the last few years, stoical until she succumbed last Tuesday.

Willys Keeble, practising from her studio in North Fitzroy, was a highly recognised conservation architect and conservation consultant specialising in recognising and conserving heritage buildings. She provided heritage conservation advice to Councils across Melbourne, including as a heritage adviser to Yarra, Darebin, Manningham, Maroondah, Mitchell Shire and many others during the course of her career.

Willys was passionate about Melbourne’s heritage having researched Melbourne’s early history and that of the many fine building that were the legacy of the 19th Century.

Willys has left an indelible mark on Yarra.

- ❖ She played a major role in evidence for the North Fitzroy community supporting Council in its refusal of a 24 hour car wash proposed for the triangular site on St Georges Road, which is now the site on which the Bargoonga Nganjin North Fitzroy Library Hub stands. Her evidence in 2003 before VCAT in this case on the importance of triangular sites in North Fitzroy and their unique buildings, was instrumental in VCAT’s decision refusing the application for the 24 hour car wash proposed for this site. Emphasised in evidence was the site’s zoning as residential, located opposite and adjacent to residences and in the heart of the North Fitzroy Village neighbourhood activity centre, as vital factors in a noisy car wash being inconsistent with the zoning and neighbourhood character.
- ❖ Council is indebted to Willys for her major role in this decision and for the many other matters to which she contributed as a conservation heritage architect.
- ❖ Willys contributed significantly to understanding the history of the Edinburgh Gardens, their significance for traditional owners, the history of St Georges Road, formerly called the Yan Yean Road, Princes Street, formerly called Reilly Street, the San Remo Ballroom history, initially operating as a women’s cyclorama, then an ice skating rink, and the history of many other heritage sites and buildings across Yarra, saving several from demolition. Her advice was much appreciated for the restoration of the WW1 Sportsman’s Memorial in Edinburgh Gardens which will be launched this Sunday.

On behalf of Council, I express sadness at the death on Tuesday 28 August of Willys Keeble, pay tribute to her contribution to the conservation of Yarra and Melbourne’s heritage and offer condolences to her partner, eminent Sculptor, Peter Corlett and other family members and friends.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Fristacky

Seconded: Councillor Stone

That Council acknowledge this condolences motion, express its appreciation of the important contribution of Willys Keeble to heritage conservation in Melbourne and Yarra in particular, and that the Mayor write to her partner, Peter Corlett expressing its sincere condolences.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. B. Announcement

The Mayor announced that Councillor Fristacky was awarded today with the Queen's Birthday Honours this year and has received a medal to acknowledge her work in local government and transport.

2. Attendance, apologies and requests for leave of absence

Attendance

Councillors

- Cr Daniel Nguyen (Mayor)
- Cr Misha Coleman (Deputy Mayor)
- Cr Danae Bosler
- Cr Mi-Lin Chen Yi Mei
- Cr Jackie Fristacky
- Cr Mike McEvoy
- Cr James Searle
- Cr Amanda Stone

Council officers

- Vijaya Vaidyanath (Chief Executive Officer)
- Ivan Gilbert (Group Manager – Chief Executive's Office)
- Stewart Martin (Acting Director - Corporate, Business and Finance)
- Lucas Gosling (Acting Director - Community Wellbeing)
- Chris Leivers (Director – City Works and Assets)
- Bruce Phillips (Director - Planning and Place Making)
- Jane Waldock (Assistant Director - Planning and Place making)
- Mel Nikou (Governance Officer)

Apology

- Cr Stephen Jolly

Leave of absence

Councillor Chen Yi Mei declared leave of absence for Tuesday 2 October 2018.

Councillor Fristacky declared leave of absence for Tuesday 2 October 2018.

Councillor Coleman declared leave of absence for Tuesday 18 September and Tuesday 2 October 2018.

3. Declarations of conflict of interest (Councillors and staff)

Nil

4. Confidential business reports

Item

- 4.1 Matters relating to legal advice
- 4.2 Matters relating to legal advice; AND Matters relating to the security of Council property
- 4.3 Contractual matters

Confidential business reports

The following items were deemed by the Chief Executive Officer to be suitable for consideration in closed session in accordance with section 89 (2) of the *Local Government Act* 1989. In accordance with that Act, Council may resolve to consider these issues in open or closed session.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Coleman

Seconded: Councillor Bosler

1. That the meeting be closed to members of the public, in accordance with section 89 (2) of the *Local Government Act* 1989, to allow consideration of:
 - (a) matters relating to legal advice;
 - (b) matters relating to the security of Council property; and
 - (c) contractual matters.
2. That all information contained within the Confidential Business Reports section of this agenda and reproduced as Council Minutes be treated as being and remaining strictly confidential in accordance with the provisions of sections 77 and 89 of the *Local Government Act* 1989 until Council resolves otherwise.

CARRIED

Following consideration of Confidential business, the meeting resumed in open session.

5. Confirmation of minutes

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Fristacky

Seconded: Councillor Chen Yi Mei

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday 21 August 2018 be confirmed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Petitions and joint letters

Nil

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Nil

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Nil

6. Petitions and joint letters

Nil

7. Public question time

This record is provided as a summary of the questions asked by members of the public during Public Question Time at a meeting of the Yarra City Council. This summary includes the names of questioners, the subject matter of questions, the name of the person providing a response and whether or not an answer was provided. An audio recording of the Council Meeting (including Public Question Time) is available on Council's website for twelve months following the meeting.

7.1 Ms Olivia Guhl - Supervised Injecting Facilities

Question:

I am currently studying journalism at Monash University and at the moment working on a story on Drugs and Alcohol, and after speaking with the Drugs and Alcohol Foundation decided to look into the Richmond North Safe Injecting Room.

A portion of the media have highlighted the negatives of this trial, depicting worried shop owners, residents and heroin addicts loitering around local schools, despite the huge success the Sydney Safe Injecting Room has had.

Does Council believe as advocates of the program, do you believe that the trial is having a poor outcomes on select member of the community or is it just the media sensation?

Response:

The Mayor advised that Council has always been supportive of a safe injecting room and advised Ms Guhl that a meeting be arranged to discuss her questions.

The Deputy Mayor advised that a range of statistics have been released on Friday by the Victorian Governments website and approximately 130-140 avoided deaths by overdose that were reported, a great success to the community. The Herald Sun has an agenda around making a good news story into a bad news story and having worked with people in the harm minimisation sector, it is a good news story. Some of the negativity around having the location next to the school is not supported by the school itself and having the facility as part of a community health centre as opposed to a stand-alone facility has been a brilliant move.

7.2 Ms Paul Evmorfidis - Rates

Question:

I believe that my property has been over-valued, it has been valued one million dollars more than the other year. I am a pensioner, I am finding it difficult to pay these rates, it's virtually taken my pension away. I don't work and have other bills.

I would like the value of my property reviewed.

Response:

The Mayor advised that there is the ability to re-evaluate property. The Chief Financial Officer will be able to discuss the matter in detail and advise on the form to complete.

7.3 Mr Craig Ruxton - Community Issues Only

I have lived in Richmond for 30 years and want to know why Council is worrying about Federal and State Government issues instead of looking after the residents. You're not here to deal with federal and state issues you are here to represent the community. Once Council can do this, I will be a very happy boy.

8. General business

Nil

9. Delegates' reports

9.1 Councillor McEvoy - Victorian Greenhouse Alliances Conference 2018

Committee	Victorian Greenhouse Alliances Conference 2018
Appointed Councillors	Cr Mike McEvoy & Cr Amanda Stone
Date of Council Meeting	4 September 2018
Date of Report	15 August 2018
Report Author	Cr Mike McEvoy

BACKGROUND

Climate change is occurring now. Our planet is already dangerously hot. At current levels of greenhouse gas emissions we could reach an increase in global average temperature of 2⁰ centigrade within decades. This poses unacceptable risks. The impact of climate change will affect the world's most vulnerable populations worst. We must immediately reduce global greenhouse gas emissions and draw carbon dioxide out of our atmosphere in order to mitigate runaway climate change.

This is why Victorian Greenhouse Alliances exist. They have been formed with support from the Victorian State Government since 2002 to help Local Governments partner and take coordinated action on climate change. Yarra is a member of the Northern Alliance of Greenhouse Action.

On Friday July 20, Cr Amanda Stone and Cr Mike McEvoy attended the Victorian Greenhouse Alliances Conference with Yarra Council Officers.

The conference agenda is available here: <http://www.victoriangreenhousealliances.org/agenda.html>

Darebin Mayor Kim LeCerc opened the conference and spoke about Darebin Council's declaration of Climate Emergency and outlined how it is informing policy in every area of Council business. Stephanie Ziersch from Sustainability Victoria spoke about the need for community engagement in meeting the challenge, remarking "We still need buy-in across the Victorian community. We all have a role to play".

PLENARY - TAKING ACTION

Giles Parkinson from RenewEconomy.com.au spoke about the Australian policy context of Australia's transition to renewable energy, capturing the essence of the situation with the four-word remark; "Technology good, policy bad". He said that the Federal Government's proposal for the NEG is "dialling in 10 years of no action". Meanwhile the private sector, State and Local Governments are doing what they can in the absence of Federal leadership. He commended Victoria's legislated target and the innovation and leadership happening around the country;

- Whyalla Steel will be driven by solar and storage and generate renewable energy for other consumers, coining the term "gensumer" or generator-consumer.
- Nectar Farms have decided to run their enormous glasshouse by 100% renewables
- Port Augusta Sundrop Farms
- Sunshine Coast's Solar Farm
- Tesla' big battery in South Australia.
- 40% of Victoria's energy will be "behind the meter" by 2050.

Ed McKannis, CEO of Powershop, spoke about the economic benefits of a transition to renewable energy, giving an example that when they built a wind farm in 2014, the cost per MWh was \$85. In 2018 the price is now \$50 per MWh.

Fran from Greenhouse Alliance Energy Working Group spoke about their work on a joint procurement agreement to be signed off in 2020.

Roger from Gannawarra Shire, spoke about the 7 renewable energy projects between Swan Hill and Echuca, transforming the local economy and generating 650mega watts of clean energy.

The panel talked about 'Virtual power plants' where batteries in private homes are able to share power back into the grid when it's needed. It was asked whether our grid is smart enough, to which Ed McKannis affirmed "Yes the systems are there", citing an Australian Start-up called Reposit. He was also asked about the demand-management trial at Powershop, which focuses on the behaviour management of energy-users to regulate energy loads, rather than supply. They have 10,000 customers signed up to participate and when demand is high, they send a text message inviting people to reduce their energy use. He said "It's cheaper to pay people to use less than it is to build a new gas power station."

The economics of electricity infrastructure was discussed, with some arguing that the need for infrastructure is questionable. The point was made that if half of us disconnected from the grid, the other half would be left paying for it.

The economic benefits of solar energy were highlighted, with a prediction that electricity during the day could end up being very cheap. This could mean energy intensive industries can be considered again in Australia. Ed McKannis said that "The economics of coal just don't stack up", reiterating the fact that the Federal Government's proposed NEG is a policy that does nothing to meet Australia's obligations under the Paris agreement, or secure our future.

CLEAN ENERGY SOLUTIONS FOR VULNERABLE HOUSEHOLDS

SOLAR FOR RENTERS - Helen Eveleigh, Zero Carbon Evolution Manager at the Moreland Energy Foundation, spoke about a pilot program they have run this year to understand and redress the barriers faced by renters who want to benefit from the transition to renewable energy. It is part of their vision for an equitable zero carbon society. They have been working with the One Million Homes Alliance and Allume to facilitate the installation of solar systems on rental properties and multi-unit developments. When they launched in March, 90 residents and landlords expressed interest. However, so far only 3 have completed installation. Through the evaluation process they hope to reveal the obstacles to installation of solar for renters and apartment dwellers, despite what seems to be strong demand. They have noticed that tenants are rarely leading the process, possibly due to their lack of perceived 'agency'. They will have results in September, with a project evaluation due by the end of 2018.

DAREBIN SOLAR SAVER - Gavin Mountjoy from Darebin City Council presented on the recent expansion of their solar savers programme where rate payers can install solar and pay it back through their rates in a special charge scheme. The program started with a pilot in 2013, and 300 rate-paying pensioners have signed up to-date. Darebin Council have recently made a commitment to double the number of solar installs, committing a budget of \$20million over 3 years to the Solar Saver Program. Darebin Council has between 3 and 4 staff working on the project full time. Gavin Mountjoy stated that their research shows that residents see Council as a trusted partner regarding solar and that because participants are able to install solar, pay nothing upfront, and see savings to their annual electricity bill, the exercise has helped boost Council's reputation with residents. He said "This is one of the best ways to improve your Council's image in the community." As they expand the program, they will be shifting the marketing emphasis from simply 'value for money' to 'making your contribution to the climate emergency'.

SOLAR SAVERS - Karl Barrett from Solar Savers spoke about their offering to low income households and renters. They offer;

- Low interest bank loan
- Council rates loan
- Special charges are exempt from GST
- Loan is attached to the property
- an honest assessment of solar, only recommending the install if the resident is \$100 better off during the loan term.

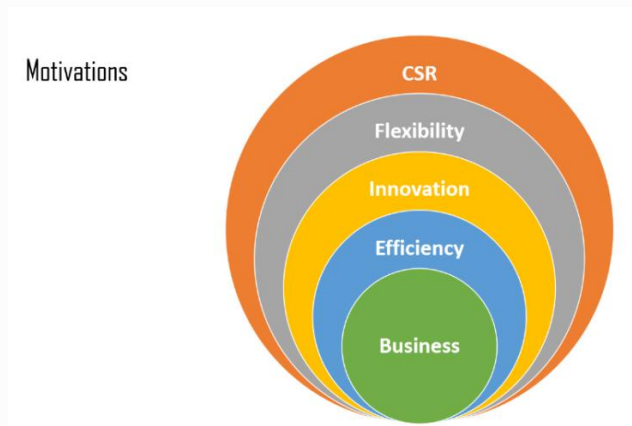
Remarkably, they have discovered that after the assessment is complete, 75% of participants have turned down the low interest bank loan and opted to pay the upfront fees themselves. It was noted that this shows that the upfront cost is not necessarily the main barrier.

Panellists were asked how they communicate with pensioners regarding the solar saver opportunity. They noted that a letter from the Council helps with trust, especially when compared to commercial providers. They use a "No bullshit approach", simplifying the message, being upfront when it's not a good financial proposition for their energy use, and proving that they are 'not in it for a sale'. Darebin have had great word of mouth, often with many households participating along the same street.

In the panel discussion it was also noted that some projects in the USA have revealed that when you bundle energy efficiency upgrades with loans for landscaping and other renovations it can significantly increase the uptake.

PLANNING FOR GREENER HOMES AND BUILDINGS

This session focussed on achieving better environmentally sustainable design (ESD) outcomes for housing and development. Juliana Beddgood from Swinburne University spoke about her research into what motivates developers. With business profitability and efficiency the two biggest motivators, she suggested that Councils could offer to expedite applications that perform well on ESD outcomes. Because innovation, flexibility and corporate social responsibility are also big motivators for them she suggested that collaboration and industry engagement from Council Planners could be helpful. She argued that Councils have a role to play in community engagement, helping to educate and encourage the public to ask for zero carbon homes when buying. She suggested that Councils get developers to make a zero carbon home as a display home.



Bernardo Cuter, from Sustainability Victoria presented on their Zero Net Carbon Homes Program. A significant part of this project has been market research in order to inform an approach they hope will improve supply and increase consumer demand for zero net carbon homes (which is currently low due to lack of knowledge and cost).

Panellists noted that compliance for ESD is an issue, with more enforcement needed from Councils. Why don't we go and check? The report is meant to be read. Must tick off the ESD features on the plan.

ACHIEVING A LOW EMISSIONS FLEET

In this session we heard from a number of organisations helping Councils reduce emissions through the management of their fleet. Damon Geeves, of SECCA's Eco Driver Training Program showed that behaviour change is the most cost effective way to reduce vehicle emissions, before the purchase of fuel efficient and electric vehicles. Eco drivers are also safer. Hannah Meade of NDevr Environmental reminded us that public health is one of the most important reasons to reduce toxic emissions from Council fleets. It was noted that the ROI of low emissions vehicles is usually better than petrol powered vehicles, especially when you consider the whole of life cost. There was a lot of discussion about inefficiencies of Council fleets and their use, with questions raised about home garaging Council-owned vehicles.

DECLARING A CLIMATE EMERGENCY THINKING – WHAT IT MEANS FOR PRACTICAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTION

Cr Kim Le Cerf and Gavin Mountjoy from City of Darebin spoke about the relationship between Council's leadership and the work being done at officer level in order to ensure all policies and procedures are reviewed with a 'climate emergency lens'. It was noted that while many of the Council policies related to climate change action already existed at Darebin, one of the major changes since the new Council's climate emergency declaration in December 2016 has been the commitment by Councillors to fund the initiatives. Their Climate Change Plan prioritises renewable energy, waste, electric vehicles and advocacy. They have established 'Climate Emergency Darebin', an advisory committee and are planning a conference in September.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor McEvoy

Seconded: Councillor Stone

1. That Council:
 - (a) note this delegates report; and
 - (b) note that Darebin Council is hosting a Climate Emergency Conference on September 11 & 12, 2018 and encourage officers and executive members from across all areas of Council to attend.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.2 Councillor McEvoy - Yarra Arts Advisory Committee (YAARTS)

Committee	Yarra Arts Advisory Committee (YAARTS)
Appointed Councillors	Cr Danae Bosler (absent/apology) and Cr Mike McEvoy
Date of Council Meeting	4 September 2018
Date of Report	31 August 2018
Report Author	Cr Mike McEvoy

The Yarra Arts Advisory Committee met on 8th August and discussed three key items:

1: The restoration of the former Richmond Police Station

This project endorsed by Council in 2013 and currently scheduled to start in 2021. It would see the restoration of a historic building for the purpose of a creative community space.

The group heard from architect Kai Chen from Lovell Chen who developed the feasibility & concept design for Council in 2013.

The project sits within the vision of the Richmond Precinct Urban Design Framework; it opens up and utilises a key Bridge Road building next to the Town Hall, facilitates access & much needed space for the community within a currently closed site as well creates a multi-purpose covered plaza at the rear for pop up installations, small events and performances.

YAARTS outlined their support for the planned redevelopment which will convert the heritage building to a modern community Art Gallery in two key stages to become an exhibition/storage space for Yarra's extensive Art & Heritage collection, together with exhibition opportunities for external artists and groups.

2: 2019 Annual Grants assessment process

Officers provided a presentation on this upcoming process which is a major mechanism for Council support of community initiatives.

3: Multi Year Funding

The Committee discussed the review of Council's Multi-Year Creative Yarra & Celebrate Yarra Funding Programs, a report will be presented to Council later this year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor McEvoy

Seconded: Councillor Bosler

1. That Council note this Delegates Report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.3 Councillor Fristacky - Metropolitan Transport Forum (MTF)

As Council's delegate to the Metropolitan Transport Forum (MTF), the Annual General Meeting of the MTF which is comprised of twenty-five Melbourne metropolitan Councils will be held at the Melbourne City Council at 6.00pm. The guest speaker will be the new CEO of the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV), Kerry Thompson, who we look forward to hearing from her tomorrow evening.

Rail Futures is also having an event, the launch of the Rail Futures Institutes, The Melbourne Rail Plan 2018-2050. It is a comprehensive rail plan which covers heavy rail, light rail, trams and integrated with buses and cycling. It will be launched formally this Friday by ABC Journalist and Presenter, Virginia Trioli.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Fristacky

Seconded: Councillor McEvoy

1. That Council note this Delegates' Report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. Questions without notice

Nil

11.1 Yarra Housing Strategy

Trim Record Number: D18/143166

Responsible Officer: Director Planning and Place Making

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council:
 - (a) note the officer report on the Yarra Housing Strategy;
 - (b) note the input from residents, stakeholders and other interested parties involved in the preparation of the proposed Yarra Housing Strategy;
 - (c) note the proposed Yarra Housing Strategy at Attachment 3;
 - (d) adopt the Yarra Housing Strategy at Attachment 3 to inform the re-write of the proposed Yarra Planning Scheme and also to set a strategic direction regarding housing matters in the municipality;
 - (e) inform submitters of the Council decision; and
 - (f) authorise the CEO to make any minor, policy neutral changes to the adopted Yarra Housing Strategy prior to exhibition of the local planning policy in the Yarra Planning Scheme.

Public Submission

Margaret O'Brien addressed Council on the matter.

MOTION

Moved: Councillor Fristacky

Seconded: Councillor Coleman

1. That Council:
 - (a) note the officer report on the Yarra Housing Strategy;
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 - (c) note the proposed Yarra Housing Strategy at Attachment 3;
 - (d) adopt the Yarra Housing Strategy at Attachment 3, to inform the re-write of the proposed Yarra Planning Scheme and also to set a strategic direction regarding housing matters in the municipality, with changes, including:
 - (i) at page 9, substituting the words "night time **activities**", in lieu of "night time economy";
 - (ii) inserting reference to "neighbourhood activity centres" as a Yarra employment area on page 12, first dot point;
 - (iii) inserting "Carlton North" as a residential neighbourhood that has seen minimal development on page 46, third paragraph;
 - (iv) at page 15 re planning for an ageing population, include at the end of column 2, "An alternative is for larger homes to support inter-generational living";
 - (v) at page 18, paragraph 7, substituting the words "Governor **in Council**", in lieu of "Governor of Victoria";
 - (vi) at page 22, column 2, substituting the word "Village" for "Street" when referring to the neighbourhood activity centres of Nicholson Village, and Rathdowne Village and refer to North Fitzroy Village on St Georges Road;
 - (vii) at page 44, replace the wording so as to read:

- Melbourne's high population growth, liveability and booming economy has underpinned a strong housing market in recent years. Population forecasts and economic outlooks indicate that this is expected to continue to support the Melbourne housing market in the medium term
- In the past two years Richmond, and Abbotsford have emerged as two of the highest performing housing markets in Melbourne, Houses are outperformed by apartments due to the high number of new apartment developments under construction. Higher quality developments and larger apartments are attracting a growing populations of downsizers.
- Yarra's reputation as a prime residential property location continues with significant increases in property values in the last 12 months. Capital growth of more than 10% was almost universal across the municipality, but indicators reflect a cooling housing market currently.

(viii) other editing for typographical corrections, punctuation omissions, grammar;

(ix) on page 11, fourth paragraph replace the first word Balancing with Recognise.

(e) inform submitters of the Council decision; and

(f) authorise the CEO to make any minor, policy neutral changes to the adopted Yarra Housing Strategy prior to exhibition of the local planning policy in the Yarra Planning Scheme.

2. That an annual report on the Yarra Housing Strategy is presented to Council, which provides an update on (but not limited to):

(a) Current population growth forecasts and demographic changes;

(b) Housing delivery trends;

(c) The number of affordable housing dwelling proposed and/or constructed; and

(d) Current outputs of the Yarra housing capacity model.

AMENDMENT

Moved: Councillor Stone

3. That Council notes that its forthcoming Social and Affordable Housing Strategy will outline in more detail council policy and direction in regard to the provision of public and social housing.

The amendment was accepted by the mover and seconder and incorporated into the motion.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Fristacky

Seconded: Councillor Coleman

1. That Council:

(a) note the officer report on the Yarra Housing Strategy;

(b) note the input from residents, stakeholders and other interested parties involved in the preparation of the proposed Yarra Housing Strategy;

(c) note the proposed Yarra Housing Strategy at Attachment 3;

(d) adopt the Yarra Housing Strategy at Attachment 3, to inform the re-write of the proposed Yarra Planning Scheme and also to set a strategic direction regarding housing matters in the municipality, with changes, including:

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 - (vi) at page 22, column 2, substituting the word “Village’ for “Street” when referring to the neighbourhood activity centres of Nicholson Village, and Rathdowne Village and refer to North Fitzroy Village on St Georges Road;
 - (vii) at page 44, replace the wording so as to read:
 - *Melbourne’s high population growth, liveability and booming economy has underpinned a strong housing market in recent years. Population forecasts and economic outlooks indicate that this is expected to continue to support the Melbourne housing market in the medium term*
 - *In the past two years Richmond, and Abbotsford have emerged as two of the highest performing housing markets in Melbourne, Houses are outperformed by apartments due to the high number of new apartment developments under construction. Higher quality developments and larger apartments are attracting a growing populations of downsizers.*
 - *Yarra’s reputation as a prime residential property location continues with significant increases in property values in the last 12 months. Capital growth of more than 10% was almost universal across the municipality, but indicators reflect a cooling housing market currently.*
 - (viii) other editing for typographical corrections, punctuation omissions, grammar;
 - (ix) on page 11, fourth paragraph replace the first word Balancing with Recognise.
- (e) inform submitters of the Council decision; and
- (f) authorise the CEO to make any minor, policy neutral changes to the adopted Yarra Housing Strategy prior to exhibition of the local planning policy in the Yarra Planning Scheme.
2. That an annual report on the Yarra Housing Strategy is presented to Council, which provides an update on (but not limited to):
- (a) Current population growth forecasts and demographic changes;
 - (b) Housing delivery trends;
 - (c) The number of affordable housing dwelling proposed and/or constructed; and
 - (d) Current outputs of the Yarra housing capacity model.
3. That Council notes that its forthcoming Social and Affordable Housing Strategy will outline in more detail council policy and direction in regard to the provision of public and social housing.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.2 Spatial Economic and Employment Strategy

Trim Record Number: D18/143002

Responsible Officer: Director Planning and Place Making

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council:
 - (a) note the officer report regarding the process in formulating the draft Spatial Economic and Employment Strategy (SEES);
 - (b) note the draft Spatial Economic and Employment Strategy (SEES) and the Consultation Outcome Report in the attachments;
 - (c) having considered the comments received and the officer report, adopt the Spatial Economic and Employment Strategy, August 2018 to provide strategic direction and inform the re-write of the Yarra Planning Scheme; and
 - (d) authorise the CEO to make minor, policy neutral changes to the adopted SEES prior to exhibition of the subsequent local planning policy in the Yarra Planning Scheme.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Stone

Seconded: Councillor Chen Yi Mei

1. That Council:
 - (a) note the officer report regarding the process in formulating the draft Spatial Economic and Employment Strategy (SEES);
 - (b) note the draft Spatial Economic and Employment Strategy (SEES) and the Consultation Outcome Report in the attachments;
 - (c) having considered the comments received and the officer report, adopt the Spatial Economic and Employment Strategy, August 2018 to provide strategic direction and inform the re-write of the Yarra Planning Scheme; and
 - (d) authorise the CEO to make minor, policy neutral changes to the adopted SEES prior to exhibition of the subsequent local planning policy in the Yarra Planning Scheme.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.3 Draft Waste Minimisation and Resource Recovery Strategy 2018– 2022 (WMRRS)

Trim Record Number: D18/144068

Responsible Officer: Director City Works and Assets

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council endorses the draft Waste Minimisation and Resource Recovery Strategy 2018-2022 and targets as outlined in **Attachment 1**.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Stone

Seconded: Councillor McEvoy

1. That Council endorses the draft Waste Minimisation and Resource Recovery Strategy 2018-2022 and targets as outlined in **Attachment 1**, subject to the following amendments:
 - (a) the addition of an action 5.12, “In the absence of any legislative change to ban or reduce the use of single use plastics, explore opportunities to take local action”; and
 - (b) that action 5.12 of the Strategy, commence in 2019/20 and continue in 2020/21 and 2021/22; and
 - (c) on page 9, under Vision and Objectives, add the words, “*this is to move our community towards a long term ambition to reach zero waste to landfill.*”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.4 2017/18 Annual Financial Statements, Performance Statement, and LGPRF Reports adoption 'in principle'.

Trim Record Number: D18/147112

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate, Business and Finance

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council:
 - (a) notes the accompanying 2017/18 Annual Financial Statements and LGPRF Reports (including the Performance Statement), and receives the endorsement of Council's Audit Committee;
 - (b) adopts the 2017/18 Annual Financial Statements and Local Government Performance Reporting Framework Reports (including the Performance Statement), 'in principle' prior to them being provided to the Victorian Auditor-General's Office for audit sign off;
 - (c) nominates the Mayor and Audit Committee member Councillor Daniel Nguyen, and Audit Committee member Councillor Stephen Jolly, as the two Councillors to certify the Annual Financial Statements and Performance Statement;
 - (d) authorises the nominated Councillors to accept any further recommended changes by the Victorian Auditor-General's Office; and
 - (e) designates Angelica Marshall, Chief Financial Officer, as Principal Accounting Officer to certify the Annual Financial Statements and Performance Statement, as required by the Local Government Act 1989 and Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Nguyen

Seconded: Councillor Coleman

1. That Council:
 - (a) notes the accompanying 2017/18 Annual Financial Statements and LGPRF Reports (including the Performance Statement), and receives the endorsement of Council's Audit Committee;
 - (b) adopts the 2017/18 Annual Financial Statements and Local Government Performance Reporting Framework Reports (including the Performance Statement), 'in principle' prior to them being provided to the Victorian Auditor-General's Office for audit sign off;
 - (c) nominates the Mayor and Audit Committee member Councillor Daniel Nguyen, and Audit Committee member Councillor Stephen Jolly, as the two Councillors to certify the Annual Financial Statements and Performance Statement;
 - (d) authorises the nominated Councillors to accept any further recommended changes by the Victorian Auditor-General's Office; and
 - (e) designates Angelica Marshall, Chief Financial Officer, as Principal Accounting Officer to certify the Annual Financial Statements and Performance Statement, as required by the Local Government Act 1989 and Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.5 Report on Assemblies of Councillors

Trim Record Number: D18/143981

Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council formally note and record the Assemblies of Councillors report as detailed in ***Attachment 1*** hereto.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Bosler

Seconded: Councillor Stone

1. That Council formally note and record the Assemblies of Councillors report as detailed in ***Attachment 1*** hereto, subject to amending the date of the HAC meeting to August.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Following consideration of Confidential business, the meeting resumed in open session.

Conclusion

The meeting concluded at 9.44pm.

Confirmed Tuesday 18 September 2018

Mayor