



Ceremonial Meeting of Council Minutes

**held on Tuesday 27 November 2018 at 7.06pm
Collingwood 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.”

2. Attendance, apologies and requests for leave of absence

Attendance

Councillors

- Cr Danae Bosler
- Cr Misha Coleman
- Cr Mi-Lin Chen Yi Mei
- Cr Jackie Fristacky
- Cr Stephen Jolly
- Cr Mike McEvoy
- Cr Daniel Nguyen
- Cr James Searle
- Cr Amanda Stone

Council officers

- Vijaya Vaidyanath (Chief Executive Officer)
- Ivan Gilbert (Group Manager – Chief Executive’s Office)
- Lucas Gosling (Director - Community Wellbeing)
- Chris Leivers (Director – City Works and Assets)
- Bruce Phillips (Director - Planning and Place Making)
- Margherita Barbante (Acting Director - Corporate, Business and Finance)
- Gracie Karabinis (Group Manager – People, Culture and Community)
- Mel Nikou (Governance Officer)

3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

Nil

4. Council business reports

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4.1 Welcome Address

Trim Record Number: D18/132774

Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

The Chief Executive Officer delivered the welcoming address and formally opened the Ceremonial Meeting of Yarra City Council.

4.2 Reflection

Trim Record Number: D18/132777

Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

The Chief Executive Officer invited the outgoing Mayor, Councillor Daniel Nguyen to address the gallery.

Outgoing Mayor Daniel Nguyen gave his address.

4.3 Appointment of Acting Chairperson

Trim Record Number: D18/132780

Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

The Chief Executive Officer invited nominations for an Acting Chairperson.

Councillor Coleman nominated Councillor Chen Yi Mei

There being no other nominations, Councillor Chen Yi Mei was declared elected and assumed the Chair.

4.4 Governance arrangements

Trim Record Number: D18/132789

Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council elect a Mayor for a period of one year.
2. That Council establish the position of Deputy Mayor as follows:
 - (a) the Deputy Mayor be appointed under section 73(3) of the Local Government Act 1989 as the acting Mayor in the event that the Mayor is absent, incapable of acting or refusing to act;
 - (b) the Deputy Mayor shall act as spokesperson for the Council in the event that the Mayor is unavailable;
 - (c) the Deputy Mayor shall go out of office at the same time as the Mayor;
 - (d) the Deputy Mayor be elected following the election of the Mayor according to the provisions at Clauses 8 to 19 of the Yarra City Council Meeting Procedure Local Law 2011, as for the election of the Mayor; and
 - (e) for all purposes other than that outlined in (a) and (b) above, the Deputy Mayor shall have the role and responsibilities of a Councillor.

CEREMONIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Fristacky

Seconded: Councillor Jolly

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.5 Election of Mayor and Deputy Mayor

Trim Record Number: D18/132794

Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

Councillor Chen Yi Mei noted the election procedure:

Any Councillor is eligible for election (or re-election) to the office of Mayor or Deputy Mayor.

The Yarra City Council Meeting Procedures Local Law 2011 sets out the process for the receipt of nominations and the conduct of an election (if required).

The process for receipt of nominations provides:

- (a) Any number of Councillors may be nominated;
- (b) No seconder is required;
- (c) The nominee(s) must consent to their nomination; and
- (d) If nominees are not present, the Acting Chairperson will require the immediate presentation of written notification.

The process for election of a Mayor or Deputy Mayor provides:

- (a) Once nominations have closed, no candidate can withdraw their candidacy;
- (b) If only one candidate is nominated, that candidate is deemed to be duly elected;
- (c) If more than one nomination is received, then an election is conducted;
- (d) Voting is by show of hands;
- (e) Councillors shall be asked to raise their hands in support of each candidate;
- (f) A candidate who receives an absolute majority of votes shall be deemed duly elected;
- (g) If no candidate receives a majority in the first round, the candidate with the fewest votes is declared the defeated candidate;
- (h) The process is repeated until such time as a candidate receives an absolute majority;
- (i) In the event of three or more candidates having an equality of votes and one of them having to be declared a defeated candidate, the result will be determined by lot;
- (j) The Acting Chairperson does not have a casting vote; and
- (k) The CEO is responsible for conducting a lot.

The Acting Chairperson called for nominations for the office of Mayor.

Councillor Nguyen nominated Councillor Bosler

Councillor Bosler accepted the nomination

There being no other nominations, the Acting Chairperson declared Councillor Bosler to be duly elected to the Office of Mayor of Yarra City Council.

The Acting Chairperson congratulated Mayor Bosler and vacated the Chair.

Mayor Bosler assumed the Chair.

The Mayor called for nominations for the Deputy Mayor.

Councillor Stone nominated Councillor McEvoy
Councillor McEvoy accepted the nomination

Councillor Fristacky nominated Councillor Coleman
Councillor Coleman accepted the nomination

The Mayor then invited the nominees in order to speak to their nomination.

Councillor McEvoy spoke to his nomination

Councillor Coleman also spoke to her nomination

The Mayor then asked for Councillors to vote for each nominee.

With Councillor Coleman receiving the majority of votes, the Mayor declared Councillor Coleman duly elected Deputy Mayor.

The Mayor congratulated Deputy Mayor Coleman.

4.6 Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillor Address

Trim Record Number: D18/132796

Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

The newly appointed Mayor Bosler thanked Councillors and delivered her address.

Then the appointed Deputy Mayor Coleman also thanked Councillors and delivered her address.

The Mayor then invited Councillors if they wished to address the meeting.

The following Councillors addressed the meeting:

Councillor McEvoy;

Councillor Fristacky;

Councillor Jolly;

Councillor Stone;

Councillor Nguyen;

Councillor Chen Yi Mei; and

Councillor Searle.

4.7 Appointment of Delegates to Internal and External Bodies

Trim Record Number: D18/132798

Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council ratify the following Special Committee appointments for the 2018/2019 Council year:

Special Committee	Appointments for 2018/2019 Council Year
Inner Melbourne Action Plan Approvals Committee	Mayor Chief Executive Officer
Internal Development Approvals Committee	All Councillors, subject to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with Councillors, determining a quarterly attendance roster allocating three Councillors to each meeting, with the Committee membership for each meeting comprising those Councillors rostered to attend or their agreed substitute.

2. That Council ratify the following Advisory Committee appointments for the 2018/2019 Council year:

Advisory Committee	Appointments for 2018/2019 Council Year
Aboriginal Advisory Group	Cr _____
Active Ageing Advisory Committee	Cr _____
Arts Advisory Committee	Cr _____ Cr _____
Audit Committee	Cr _____ Cr _____
Bicycle Advisory Committee	Cr _____
Business Advisory Group	Cr _____ ...
Disability Advisory Committee	Cr _____ Cr _____
Early Years Reference Group	Cr _____
Environment Advisory Committee	Cr _____ ...
Finance Committee	Mayor and all other Councillors
Heritage Advisory Committee	Cr _____ Cr _____
Multicultural Advisory Group	Cr _____
Performance Review Sub Committee	Mayor Cr _____ ...
Urban Agriculture (Community Gardens) Advisory Committee	Cr _____
Yarra Community Awards Committee	Cr _____ Cr _____ Cr _____
Yarra Health and Wellbeing Plan Advisory Committee	Cr _____ Cr _____

Yarra Libraries Advisory Committee	Cr _____ Cr _____
Youth Advisory Committee	Cr _____ Cr _____

3. That Council ratify the following external body appointments for the 2018/2019 Council year:

Organisation or body	Appointments for 2018/2019 Council Year
Australian Local Government Women's Association	Cr _____
Collingwood Children's Farm Management Committee	Cr _____
Doncaster Rail Local Government Group	Cr _____ Cr _____ (optional)
Friends of Baucau	Cr _____ Cr _____ (substitute)
Mayors for Peace	Cr _____
Metropolitan (Local Government) Waste Management Forum	Cr _____ Cr _____ (substitute)
Metropolitan Transport Forum	Cr _____ Cr _____ (substitute)
Municipal Association of Victoria	Cr _____ Cr _____ (substitute)
Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action	Cr _____
Victorian Local Governance Association	Cr _____ Cr _____ (substitute)

CEREMONIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Nguyen

Seconded: Councillor Jolly

1. That Council ratify the following Special Committee appointments for the 2018/2019 Council year:

Special Committee	Appointments for 2018/2019 Council Year
Inner Melbourne Action Plan Approvals Committee	Mayor Chief Executive Officer
Internal Development Approvals Committee	Cr Bosler Cr Chen Yi Mei Cr Coleman Cr Fristacky Cr Jolly Cr McEvoy Cr Nguyen Cr Searle Cr Stone

2. That Council ratify the following Advisory Committee appointments for the 2018/2019 Council year:

Advisory Committee	Appointments for 2018/2019 Council Year
Aboriginal Advisory Group	<u>Cr Bosler</u>
Active Ageing Advisory Committee	<u>Cr Stone</u>

Arts Advisory Committee	<u>Cr Bosler</u> <u>Cr McEvoy</u>
Audit Committee	<u>Mayor</u> <u>Cr Searle</u>
Bicycle Advisory Committee	<u>Cr Fristacky</u> <u>Cr McEvoy</u>
Business Advisory Group	<u>Cr Fristacky</u> <u>Cr Nguyen</u>
Disability Advisory Committee	<u>Cr Jolly</u> <u>Cr Bosler</u>
Early Years Reference Group	<u>Cr Stone</u>
Environment Advisory Committee	<u>Cr McEvoy</u> <u>Cr Stone</u>
Finance Committee	Mayor and all other Councillors
Heritage Advisory Committee	<u>Cr Fristacky</u> <u>Cr Bosler</u> <u>Cr Searle</u>
Multicultural Advisory Group	<u>Cr Chen Yi Mei</u>
Performance Review Sub Committee	<u>Cr Bosler</u> <u>Cr Chen Yi Mei</u> <u>Cr Coleman</u> <u>Cr Fristacky</u> <u>Cr Jolly</u> <u>Cr McEvoy</u> <u>Cr Nguyen</u> <u>Cr Searle</u> <u>Cr Stone</u>
Urban Agriculture (Community Gardens) Advisory Committee	<u>Cr Bosler</u> <u>Cr Searle</u>
Yarra Community Awards Committee	<u>Cr Nguyen</u> <u>Cr McEvoy</u> <u>Cr Bosler</u>
Yarra Health and Wellbeing Plan Advisory Committee	<u>Cr McEvoy</u> <u>Cr Nguyen</u>
Yarra Libraries Advisory Committee	<u>Cr Bosler</u> <u>Cr Nguyen</u>
Youth Advisory Committee	<u>Cr Chen Yi Mei</u> <u>Cr Searle</u>

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Australian Local Government Women's Association	<u>Cr Coleman</u>
Collingwood Children's Farm Management Committee	<u>Cr Searle</u>
<u>Transport Advocacy including Doncaster Rail Local Government Group</u>	<u>Cr Fristacky</u> <u>Cr Stone</u>
Friends of Baucau	<u>Cr Stone</u> <u>Cr Searle (substitute)</u>
Mayors for Peace	<u>Mayor</u>
Metropolitan (Local Government) Waste Management Forum	<u>Cr McEvoy</u> <u>Cr Fristacky (substitute)</u>

Metropolitan Transport Forum	<u>Cr Fristacky</u> <u>Cr McEvoy (substitute)</u>
Municipal Association of Victoria	<u>Cr Searle</u> <u>Cr Fristacky (substitute)</u>
Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action	<u>Cr Stone</u>
Victorian Local Governance Association	<u>Cr Fristacky</u> <u>Cr Coleman (substitute)</u>
Yarra Energy Foundation	<u>Cr Chen Yi Mei</u> <u>Cr Stone</u>

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.8 Council Meeting Schedule 2019

Trim Record Number: D18/132812

Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council:

(a) adopt the following Meeting Schedule for 2019:

(i) Ordinary Council (6.30pm for closed sessions and 7.00pm for public sessions):

- a. 5 & 19 February 2019 (Fitzroy Town Hall);
- b. 5 & 19 March 2019 (Fitzroy Town Hall);
- c. 2, 16 & 30 April 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- d. 14 & 28 May 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- e. 18 June 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- f. 2, 16 & 30 July 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- g. 13 & 27 August 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- h. 10 & 24 September 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- i. 8 & 22 October 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- j. 12 November 2019 (Fitzroy Town Hall); and
- k. 3 & 17 December 2019 (Fitzroy Town Hall);

(ii) Internal Development Approvals Committee (6.30pm):

- a. 16 & 30 January 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- b. 13 & 27 February 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- c. 13 & 27 March 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- d. 10 April 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- e. 1, 8 & 22 May 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- f. 5 & 26 June 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- g. 10 & 24 July 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- h. 7 & 21 August 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- i. 4 & 18 September 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- j. 2, 16 & 30 October 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);
- k. 6 & 20 November 2019 (Richmond Town Hall); and
- l. 11 & 18 December 2019 (Richmond Town Hall);

(b) authorise the Chief Executive Officer to alter the location of Ordinary Meetings of Council and the Internal Development Approvals Committee (IDAC) under clause 36 of the Yarra City Council Meeting Procedures Local Law 2011 if required, subject to public notification in accordance with the Local Government Act 1989; and

(c) request the Chief Executive Officer to ensure that the adopted Council Meeting Schedule and IDAC meeting schedule and Special Meeting details are posted on the Council website and advertised appropriately.

CEREMONIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Coleman

Seconded: Councillor Nguyen

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CARRIED

4.9 Conclusion

Trim Record Number: D18/132815

Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

The Mayor thanked everyone in attendance and invited the gallery to join her and the Councillors for refreshments.

Conclusion

The meeting concluded at 8.02pm

Confirmed Tuesday 4 December 2018