

Ordinary Meeting of Council Minutes

held on Tuesday 10 April 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 – Mr Ron Frew

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Bosler Seconded: Councillor Jolly

- 1. That Council:
 - (a) record a formal motion of condolence on the passing of Mr Ron Frew; and
 - (b) request the Mayor to forward a letter of condolence on behalf of Council to Mr Frew's family.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BACKGROUND

This motion is to acknowledge the contribution to the City of Yarra of Mr Ron Frew upon his passing on 25 March 2018.

Born in New Zealand in 1947, Ron Frew is known to the Yarra City Council as a former Councillor and Mayor of the Collingwood City Council in the 1980s.

In 1981, Ron commenced his contribution to the Collingwood community when he joined the staff of the Collingwood Community Health Centre as Community Development Officer.

In that role, Ron, supported by a study that showed a stark comparison between the amount of lead in children's milk teeth between those attending Keele Street crèche and equivalent children in the centres in the Dandenong ranges, worked hard to lobby the government to reduce the impact of lead based petrol on inner city communities. This study strongly influenced the decision to phase out of lead in petrol from 1986.

In 1984 or thereabouts, Ron was elected to the Collingwood Council, going on to serve as Mayor in 1988/1989.

Ron then served on the Board of the After Care Hospital in Victoria Parade and oversaw an amalgamation of that hospital with the St Georges Hospital in Kew, where he served as Vice President.

Ron's later career was spent in various roles in community and public health in both government and the community sector.

Ron's funeral was held on Tuesday 3 April 2018, and as a mark of mourning and respect the Yarra City Council Flag was flown at half-mast at Collingwood, Fitzroy and Richmond.

2. Attendance, apologies and requests for leave of absence

Attendance

Councillors

- Cr Daniel Nguyen (Mayor)
- Cr Misha Coleman (Deputy Mayor)
- Cr Danae Bosler
- Cr Jackie Fristacky
- Cr Stephen Jolly
- Cr Mike McEvoy
- Cr James Searle
- Cr Amanda Stone

Council officers

- Vijaya Vaidyanath (Chief Executive Officer)
- Andrew Day (Director Corporate, Business and Finance)
- Ivan Gilbert (Group Manager CEO's Office)
- 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)

<u>Apology</u>

Cr Mi-Lin Chen Yi Mei

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

Councillor Stone declared a conflict of interest on item 11.6.

Councillor Coleman declared a conflict of interest on item 11.7.

4. Confidential business reports

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- 4.1 Contractual matters
- 4.2 Matters relating to legal advice

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 Bosler Seconded: Councillor Fristacky

- 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) contractual matters; and
 - (b) matters relating to legal advice.
- 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 Stone

Seconded: Councillor Fristacky

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday 20 March 2018 be confirmed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Stone

Seconded: Councillor Fristacky

That the minutes of the Special Confidential Council Meeting held on Monday 26 March 2018 be confirmed.

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13. Urgent business

Nil

6. Petitions and joint letters

6.1 Petition - Save Clifton Hill Elm Avenues

Reference: D18/63396

A petition signed by 69 people Clifton Hill residents oppose Council's abandonment of the proper maintenance of the avenue of elm trees in The Esplanade, Clifton Hill and along Heidelberg Road, Clifton Hill in contradiction of the Merri Creek Parklands Master Plan Report and request restoration of the irrigation systems and proper maintenance.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Jolly Seconded: Councillor Stone

That the petition be received and referred to the appropriate officer for consideration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 Petition - Plastic Free Campaign

Reference: D18/63393

A petition signed by 301 residents and non-residents are concerned and are requesting that Council consider initiating a "Proudly Plastic Free Campaign" encouraging food outlets in Yarra to stop distributing disposable plastic items i.e. bags, bottles, cutlery and packaging. Residents also pledge to preference businesses that display a Proudly Plastic Free sign.

Public Submission:

Ms Kerry Echberg, YCAN addressed Council on the matter.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor McEvoy Seconded: Councillor Stone

That the petition be received and referred to the appropriate officer for consideration.

7. Public question time

7.1 Mr Andrew Cartledge - Streamlining Hoddle Street: Proposed changes to Wellington Street and Blanche Street, Cremorne

Question:

The VicRoads Streamlining Hoddle Street project, proposes a Continues Flow (CFI) intersection to be constructed at the Swan Street and Punt Road intersection in Richmond.

As part of this intersection a Tram Superstop is also proposed on Swan Street (east side) some 100m from Richmond Station with a raised dedicated tram line running east down Swan Street.

It is this raised tram line section along Swan Street that will significantly limit access to some 200 residents in Wellington Street, Huckerbury Street and Blanche Street in Cremorne.

This raised tram line section will not provide for a right hand turn to be made into Wellington St, as such significantly limiting access when traveling east along Swan St from the city and both north and south along Punt Road when turning into Swan Street.

Access to this precinct and these 3 streets (Wellington, Huckerbury, Blanche) can only be achieved from entering off Swan Street.

VicRoads proposed future access to Wellington Street and in turn Huckerbury and Blanche will only be achieved through a left hand turn going west along Swan Street – towards the city.

The VicRoads proposal drastically fails to address adequate access to these streets, precinct and community; home to some 200 residences – 400 plus residents.

To date VicRoads level of communication and response has been completely unacceptable. While VicRoads undertook an initial community consultation process in November, 2017 very limited engagement has occurred since and no formal response to objections has been received.

I am seeking Yarra Councils assistance to facilitate an acceptable outcome with VicRoads for the residents of this precinct and proposed that a clearway be created on Swan St, through the raised tram lines at road level, on the alignment to Wellington Street to allow for right hand turns into/out of Wellington Street to occur as currently exists now. This will provide adequate access these residents deserve and to that; what is currently provided to them.

Response:

The Mayor advised that he would continue advocating the matter with the Minister.

Councillor Searle advised that there has been a lack in communication between VicRoads and residents; a particular letter that he saw was never sent to residents.

Councillor Searle then asked the relevant officer about what involvement with VicRoads Council officers have had in relation to the matter.

Assistant Director Planning and Place Making advised that officers have been in contact with VicRoads since the project started. Officers have urged VicRoads to have an information/consultation session with the community and have continued to urge them.

Following a road safety audit from VicRoads the recommendations were that it be a left in and left out arrangement.

Councillor Jolly suggested that the Mayor and CEO meet with the Local Member to advocate on behalf of the community in Cremorne.

7.2 Ms Renay Burke - Yarra Energy Foundation

Question:

I have just moved to the City of Yarra and have heard that they have a Yarra Energy Foundation. How are its goals and offerings different to the Moreland Energy Foundation, the proposed Darebin Energy Foundation and the Melbourne Sustainability Fund?

Response:

The Mayor read out the above question on behalf of the resident that was not in attendance.

Councillor Searle advised although he couldn't provide any information relating to the Moreland and Darebin Foundations or Melbourne's Sustainability Fund, as one of the board members of YEF that he would be happy to speak with Ms Burke. Information is also available on the YEF website as well as some information on Council's annual report.

7.3 Ms Michelle Zwagerman - Graffiti

Question:

Is there an evaluation of the existing Graffiti Management Plan as the answer I received was no but working on one which is confusing because if you don't, how will you know if the policy will work?

Response:

The Mayor advised that strategies to reduce graffiti is being worked on and would be happy to receive any information from Ms Zwagerman on what she thinks the key indicators would be.

Councillor McEvoy advised that the current framework is not finished and extensive data has been collected and evaluation so far of this current framework and the trial that Ms Zwagerman attended recently is part of the existing framework. We haven't received a final report because the new process of the framework hasn't started. The Director City Works and Assets advised when the framework was created 4 years ago an evaluation was not part of it, however part of the new framework will. Data has been collected regarding improvements, costs etc.

8. General business

Nil

9. Delegates' reports

9.1 Councillor Coleman - Launch of the Melbourne Renewable Energy Project

Appointed Councillors	Councillor Coleman
Date of Council Meeting	10 April, 2018
Date of Event	23 March 2018
Report Author	Councillor Coleman

At the launch of a new windfarm near Ararat in March, the City of Yarra was a party to a unique example of the new energy economy tin Australia, which will also generate around 180 jobs for rural Victoria.

This project was conceived in 2013 and when all the turbines come on line in 2019, it will see Yarra buying 100% of its electricity from a renewable source that was only made possible due to the joint purchasing power of 14 Melbourne organisations.

Key CoY staff that need to be acknowledged include: Hugh Butcher, Indy Langham and Michael Oke.

Key points:

- It is a far cheaper method for procuring renewable energy than traditional methods and also provides greater control over electricity costs due to longer term contracts and fixed pricing components.
- The key difference is that it's a long-term contract with a generator and potentially a retailer; known as a Power Purchase Agreement.
- Yarra on its own would not be large enough to secure interest from an energy company to develop a Power Purchase Agreement. MREP is unique as it is the first time a group of relatively small energy users have come together to aggregate their load, and successfully execute a contract.
- It's particularly ground-breaking considering the diverse mix of business types as listed in the table below; Councils, banks, universities, Melbourne landmarks and the private sector.

Why has Yarra participated in MREP?

- Yarra has a proud history of environmental leadership, reflective of our community who expect us to take strong action to meet our urban sustainability challenges.
- MREP electricity from this wind farm is zero carbon vs standard electricity which is mostly generated from brown coal and gas fossil fuels. This project will help Council surpass our target of 60% emissions reduction from 2001 levels, with a total emissions reduction of approximately 75%.

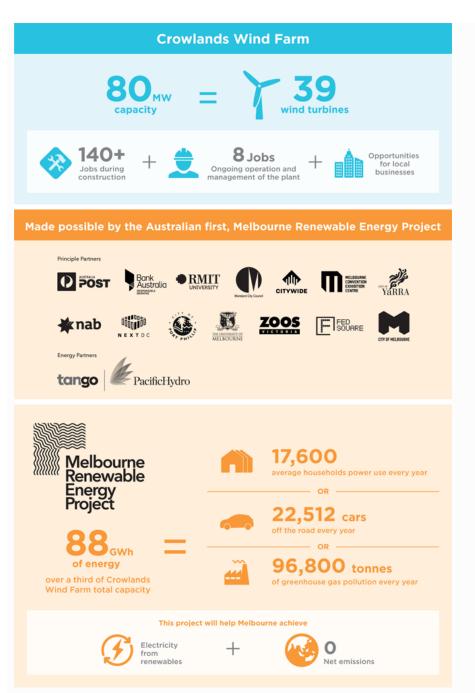
1	City of Melbourne	Lead Council
2	City of Yarra	Council
3	City of Moreland	Council
4	City of Port Phillip	Council
5	Bank Australia	Bank
6	NAB	Bank
7	Melbourne University	University
8	RMIT	University
9	Melbourne Exhibition and Convention Centre	Landmark
10	Federation Square	Landmark
11	Zoos Victoria	Landmark
12	Australia Post	Business
13	Citywide	Business
14	Next DC	Business

Who are the MREP group members?

- Yarra's load represents nearly 10% of the overall electricity contracted via MREP
- Council will buy MREP electricity for electricity used by all assets including buildings and street lighting.
- Construction is now underway and we expect to start purchasing the electricity from MREP on January 1 2019. The contract period is for a total of 10 years.

About the wind farm

MREP will support the construction of a new wind farm at Crowlands, a small agricultural community about 2.5 hours from Melbourne by car. The 39-turbine 80 MW capacity wind farm will be twenty kilometres north east of Ararat, in Western Victoria. It will be owned and operated by Melbourne-based clean energy company Pacific Hydro, and the power will be supplied by its retail arm, Tango Energy. The MREP members have committed to purchase 88 GWh of electricity per year from the Crowlands Wind Farm under a long-term power purchase agreement, about a third of the total capacity. That means there will be extra electricity available in the grid as a result of MREP. Minutes Page 12



COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Coleman

Seconded: Councillor Nguyen

- 1. That Council:
 - (a) note the Delegates Report; and
 - (b) note the document that has been prepared by Melbourne City Council which aims to inform/support other entities who would like to get involved in a similar process/project, called Renewable Energy Procurement – a guide to buying off-sire renewable electricity: located at: <u>http://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/business/sustainable-</u> <u>business/mrep/Pages/renewable-energy-procurement-guide.aspx</u>

9.2 Councillor McEvoy - Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)

Appointed Councillors	Cr Mike McEvoy & Cr Jackie Fristacky
Date of Council Meeting	10 April 2018
Date of Report	BAC meeting held on 14 March 2018
Report Author	Cr Mike McEvoy

The BAC met on Wednesday 14 March and discussed many current bicycle infrastructure matters. Two items of particular note were;

- a BAC subcommittee report on dockless bike share and concerns about Yarra Council's response.
- The Yarra Transport Policy workshop held in February.

Dockless Bike Share

In a 2017 BAC meeting some concerns were raised about Council's response to the emergence of dockless share bikes, specifically:

- Yarra's regulatory approach doesn't adequately support and promote bike share and cycling within the municipality,
- The current approach has produced clutter on local streets and a negative image of cyclists.
- There was disappointment that dedicated parking areas were not provided.

A subcommittee produced the attached report and it was endorsed by BAC on 14 March. The report proposes an approach that seeks to legitimise dockless bike share through the proposed provision of dedicated spaces in 12 strategic locations around the Council area.

The report says;

"The City of Yarra can benefit by offer some simple provisions to help accommodate dockless bike share systems into our transportation mix. Just as City of Yarra provides priority parking to car share operators, we need to do the same for bike share operators. The same benefits apply:

- Visible demonstration of prioritizing bicycle transport
- Improved accessibility of bicycle users
- Keeps footpaths uncluttered, since share bikes are not supposed to be parked in bike hoops or the footpath."

It was noted that Council is in the process of negotiation with other bike share operators. BAC encourages Council to consider their proposal.

Planning Scheme Subgroup

A Yarra Transport Policy workshop was held on Tuesday 27 February 2018. Several members of BAC attended.

The purpose of the workshop was to:

• To inform and update BAC and the Liveable Yarra Reference Group of the Yarra Planning Scheme (YPS) project

- To present and check with the groups on transport issues in Yarra
- To test out emerging Transport Policy objectives and strategies proposed for the YPS.

The BAC noted the success of the workshop and acknowledged the value of the opportunity to contribute.

ATTACHMENT

SUPPORTING AND GROWING BIKE SHARE SERVICES: BIKE SHARE PARKING

December 15, 2017

Sub-Committee Members: Marcus Coughlan, Troy Parsons, Richard Ward, Steve Burnett, Graham Cross

OVERVIEW

I. Background

The City of Yarra has long prided itself on supporting bicycle transport. Relevant to this proposal, the City of Yarra has had great success with the simple conversion of on-street car-bays into bicycle parking with bikehoops. This is beneficial because:

- It visibly demonstrates bicycle priority
- It provides improved accessibility for bicycle users (i.e. best parking is for bicycles)
- It keeps footpaths uncluttered.

City of Yarra has for years sought and lobbied for a Melbourne Bike Share (MBS) presence within the council in order to support sustainable/active transport. While this never manifested in any meaningful sense, Melbourne has since had the launch of dockless bike share operators, namely oBike. oBike has proven more successful than MBS for a number of reasons, but of relevance to this project:

- Untethered to bike dock locations, allowing a meaningful spread through the city
- Simpler to use (smart phone integration)

The great benefit to the City of Yarra or dockless systems is that it gives us a free bike share system. Dockless bike share systems are booming around the world, precisely because they are cheap and hassle-free. In many cities, dockless bike share bikes now out-number private bikes. Why own a bike and have to lock it and maintain it when you take a bike share for very little (and often no) money? This parallels the success of car-sharing and ride-sharing systems.

The City of Yarra can benefit by offer some simple provisions to help accommodate dockless bike share systems into our transportation mix. Just as City of Yarra provides priority parking to car share operators, we need to do the same for bike share operators. The same benefits apply:

- Visible demonstration of prioritizing bicycle transport
- Improved accessibility of bicycle users
- Keeps footpaths uncluttered, since share bikes are not supposed to be parked in bike hoops or the footpath.

The following additional benefits apply:

- Visible demonstration that City of Yarra is <u>more</u> progressive than other city councils by <u>actively</u> <u>supporting</u> dockless bike share.
- We gain a free bike share system.

• Tips the scales further in favour of non-motorized transport, addressing a number of City of Yarra's core principles.

2. Description

The idea is simple: convert a number of car-bays into free-standing bike parking that is useable by dockless bike share and other (private) wheel-lock type bicycles.





Share bike, and private bike with wheel lock (no hoops required)

IMPLEMENTATION

3. Scope

- 1. Officers & BAC members to identity around a dozen potential bays to convert to 'bike share parking' bays.
- 2. Council officers to estimate cost of conversion:
 - a. Paint
 - b. Barrier treatments
- 3. Communication with oBike (only current operator in Melbourne) and any prospective operators the council is in communication with (e.g. Ofo, ReadyGo).
- 4. Execute conversion.

4. High-Level Requirements for Free-Standing Bike Parking

'Bike share parking' bays should:

- Convert an existing car space into bicycle parking
- Exist in a high-demand (and highly visible) area (e.g. outside supermarkets, train stations)
- Be cheaply and simply implemented (paint on the ground)
- Should not contain bike hoops (expensive and precludes bike share parking based on current 'rules'). Such bays are likely adjacent to exiting bicycle parking with hoops.

5. Outcomes / Deliverables

- ~10 priority bike share parking spots.
- Communication in Yarra newsletter, website etc.
- Press release to media outlets (e.g. Clay Lucas @ The Age)
 - Mention of benefits, e.g. provision of bike share without tax-payer funded bike share scheme.

6. Affected Parties

- Disability Advisory Committee benefits high-traffic areas by keeping share bicycles off footpaths.
- Bike share operators (oBike) provides legitimates parking space for dockless bike share
- Council leveraging free bike share system (when compared with MBS and expensive dock.)
- Community improved service offering, better organization of public space

7. Next Steps / Schedule

- 20-Dec-2017 Discussion at BAC meeting
- Discussion with DAC
- Develop council motion
- Motion put forth at council meeting
- Officer execution
- Media release

APPENDICES



8. Example Project - Nicholson St, Abbotsford

The key activities would apply here:

- Conversion of one parking bay
- Potential to removal footpath bicycle hoops to be repurposed elsewhere (remove footpath obstructions)

The car bay adjacent to the bike parking is already difficult for parking a car in. Cars frequently obstruct the bike lane. There is generous car parking within The Hive building, this on street bay is not required.

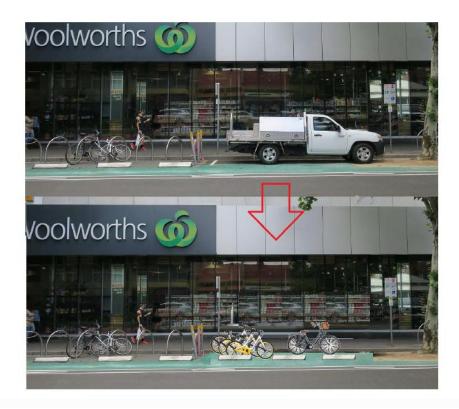


The bay functions poorly as a car bay

Execution may require:

- Paint
- Add rubber barrier
- Removal of poles (optional)





9. Examples Abroad

Singapore



https://cyclingindustry.news/dockless-bike-share-firms-to-be-given-parking-spaces-by-cities/ (Photo LTA)





This example shows four bike share bikes and a private bike in a free-standing bicycle parking spot. The issue here is the sacrificing of pedestrian space. (Photo – Troy Parsons)

Copenhagen



General bicycle parking - note no hoops (photo Copenhagenize)





(Photo https://www.yicaiglobal.com/news/chinese-government-unveils-bike-sharing-guidelines-calls-parking-regulations)

10. References

Dockless bike share firms to be given parking spaces by cities?

- https://cyclingindustry.news/dockless-bike-share-firms-to-be-given-parking-spaces-by-cities/

"It is expected that 4,000 yellow boxes will now be painted on the streets of Singapore, capable of housing some 20,000 bicycles."

Victoria's environmental watchdog 'ignores big polluters, cracks down on oBikes'

- http://www.theage.com.au/victoria/victorias-environmental-watchdog-ignores-big-polluters-cracks-down-on-obikes-20171204-gzyaj7.html

"These reforms are much needed and very welcome, but climate change remains a massive blind spot for our environmental watchdog," Environment Victoria campaigns manager Nicholas Aberle said.

Dr Aberle said the EPA had said plenty in recent times about cracking down on the scourge of dumped oBikes, but was silent on "the biggest environmental challenge of our time".

"While the EPA currently fines Victorians for dumping litter, it lets large companies dump millions of tonnes of climate pollution into the atmosphere and get off scot-free," Dr Aberle said.

Parking zones, more bicycle racks part of new bike-sharing pilot in Jurong

http://www.channelnewsasia.com/news/singapore/rongbike-8806164

In conjunction with the launch of a one-year pilot bicycle sharing programme, Jurong-Clementi Town Council will be providing 30 bicycle parking zones for 120 bicycles around Jurong Central.

Beijing Strengthens Parking Regulation for Share Bikes

https://eblnews.com/video/beijing-strengthens-parking-regulation-share-bikes-157710

Returning bikes to the designated parking zones... gives the rider 2 credits as a reward.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor McEvoy

Seconded: Councillor Fristacky

- 1. That Council:
 - (a) note the Delegates' Report; and
 - (b) refer the BAC report on Dockless Bike Share, as attached, to the CEO and officers for consideration in reviewing the current Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Dockless Bike Share and for the execution of any future MOUs on this matter.

9.3 Councillor Searle - Heritage Advisory Committee

Appointed Councillors	Cr Searle, Cr Fristacky, Cr Jolly
Date of Council Meeting	10 April 2018
Date of Report	10 April 2018
Report Author	Cr James Searle & Cr Jackie Fristacky

The Heritage Advisory Committee met on Thursday 29 March 2018 at Richmond Town Hall. Councillors Searle (Chair), Fristacky and Jolly were in attendance.

KEY DISCUSSION ITEMS

• Royal Exhibition Building & Carlton Gardens World Heritage Area

HAC discussed the recent Council decision that IDAC would consider all planning applications in the Royal Exhibitions World Environs Heritage Area (REBEWHA) for applications for development taller than the highest point of the existing building on that property.

HAC sought that the review of Yarra's Heritage Policy in Clause 22.02 include raising awareness of the REBEWHA. HAC also sought that its 2017 submissions on review of the Heritage Strategy (including such clause) be formally presented to Council.

• Yarra Heritage Strategy

Officers provided an update on implementation of Yarra's 2015 – 2018 Heritage Strategy and presented the budget bid for the Heritage Strategy for the 2018/2019 budget. HAC noted that any incomplete items in the Heritage Strategy would be considered in the development of the next Heritage Strategy and endorsed the budget bid.

• Incentives for owners of heritage properties

HAC considered a paper written by a HAC member on incentives for owners of heritage properties to maintain and improve those properties. A recommendation on this matter is included in the proposed motion below.

HAC's involvement in Activity Centre strategic planning

Members of HAC queried why despite their request, works controls for Activity Centres were not presented to HAC, rather than an email progress report sent which did not provide details of the analysis and thinking to date.

• Heritage advice to residents

Members of HAC expressed a desire for Council to provide advice on heritage issues to residents. Resource limitations for Council officers were highlighted and recognised. Officers agreed to meet with interested members of HAC outside the normal meeting process to discuss the matter.

• Appointment of new HAC

Expressions of interest have been called for members of the HAC. The closing date was extended and Council will consider a report on appointing new members in May/June 2018.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Searle

Seconded: Councillor Fristacky

- 1. That Council:
 - (a) notes the delegates' report;
 - (b) notes the HAC November 2017 submission to the review of Yarra's Heritage Policy in Yarra's Planning Scheme (attached) and refers this to officers for consideration as part of the review, and further notes that this submission includes raising awareness of the Royal Exhibitions World Environs Heritage Area, and that review of the Heritage Policy is to be scheduled for the May 2018 HAC meeting;
 - (c) notes HAC's request to have the opportunity to comment on any proposed Activity Centre planning controls during their development and refers HAC's request that officers present their work on Bridge Road, Swan Street, Brunswick Street and Queens Parade to date at the May 2018 HAC meeting, to officers;
 - (d) notes HAC's recommendation on incentives for owners of heritage properties and refers it to officers:

"It is highly recommended that City of Yarra, at least in the immediate term, focus its efforts on,

reviewing the publication Incentives for Heritage Protection Handbook: A national guide for local government and community. Handbook was commissioned by the Heritage Chairs and officials of Australia and New Zealand, and authored by Heritage Victoria, in 2010.

https://www.heritage.vic.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0023/55517/Incentives -for-Heritage-Protection-Handbook.pdf

taking opportunities to participate in the current review of the Victorian Heritage Restoration Fund, and

seeking to influence government in maximizing the effectiveness of Living Heritage Grants program."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. Questions without notice

Nil

11.1 Amendment C219 (Trenerry Crescent) Consideration of Panel Report

Trim Record Number: D18/39886 Responsible Officer: Director Planning and Place Making

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council notes the report of officers in relation to the Panel's findings in relation to Amendment C219; and the findings and recommendations of the Panel regarding Amendment C219.
- 2. That Council:
 - (a) having considered the report of the Planning Panel, adopts Amendment C219 in accordance with the officer recommended changes to the Amendment (found as Attachment 3);
 - (b) adopts the Statement of Significance (citation) for 112-124 Trenerry Crescent and the changes to Clause 21.11 and Clause 22.02 (Attachments 7 and 8 respectively) of the Yarra Planning Scheme to include the citation as a reference document; and
 - (c) submits the adopted amendment to the Minister for Planning for approval, in accordance with Section 31 of the Act.
- 3. That Council note the reasons for varying from the Panel report as outlined in the report.
- 4. That Officers notify submitters to Amendment C219 of Council's decision.

Public Submission

Mr Nick Sissons, Holding Redlich Lawyers on behalf of the Australian Education Union (AEU) addressed Council on the matter.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Stone Seconded: Councillor Jolly

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 - (b) adopts the Statement of Significance (citation) for 112-124 Trenerry Crescent and the changes to Clause 21.11 and Clause 22.02 (Attachments 7 and 8 respectively) of the Yarra Planning Scheme to include the citation as a reference document; and
 - (c) submits the adopted amendment to the Minister for Planning for approval, in accordance with Section 31 of the Act.
- 3. That Council note the reasons for varying from the Panel report as outlined in the report.
- 4. That Officers notify submitters to Amendment C219 of Council's decision.

CARRIED

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Coleman, Fristacky, Jolly, Stone, McEvoy, Searle and Nguyen

Against: Councillor Bosler

11.2 Update on recent Wellington Street Copenhagen bike lane tender

Trim Record Number: D18/56418 Responsible Officer: Assistant Director Planning and Place Making

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council:
 - (a) note the update report on the recent tender for the second stage of a Copenhagen separated bike lane from Gipps Street to Johnston Street, Collingwood;
 - (b) note that due to the tender prices that a planning permit would be required for the construction of that stage of works; and
 - (c) note that a planning permit application will now be lodged for the proposal.

Public Submissions

The following people addressed Council on the matter: Ms Kerry Echberg, YCAN; and Mr Troy Parsons.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor McEvoy

Seconded: Councillor Jolly

- 1. That Council:
 - (a) note the seven Council reports to date on this project;
 - (b) <u>note the Council resolutions of 5 Aug 2014</u> and 6 Oct 2015 to proceed with <u>constructing this section of the separated bike lane;</u>
 - (c) note that due to the tender prices that a planning permit would be required for the construction of that stage of works;
 - (d) <u>note that this project has repeatedly been rated as a 5 star priority in Yarra's Bicycle</u> <u>Strategy;</u>
 - (e) <u>note that completion of this project is planned for in the 2017 2021 Council Plan</u> (Initiative 6.5.1); and
 - (f) <u>now resolve to proceed without further delay to lodge a planning permit application and</u> <u>complete the Wellington St bike lane.</u>

CARRIED

CALL FOR A DIVISION

- For: Councillors Coleman, Fristacky, Jolly, Stone, McEvoy, Searle and Nguyen
- Against: Councillor Bosler

11.3 Accessibility of Yarra Railway Stations

Trim Record Number: D18/44627 Responsible Officer: Acting Director Community Wellbeing

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council:
 - (a) acknowledges outstanding effort of the Disability Advisory Committee's Public Transport Sub-committee;
 - (b) endorses the Community Appraisal of Disability Access at Railway Stations in the City of Yarra and the Appendix 3 Appraisal Data;
 - (c) forwards the above report to PTV, Metro <u>Trains</u> and other relevant organisations on behalf of DAC; and
 - (d) undertake advocacy with PTV and Metro <u>Trains</u> for upgrades recommended in the above report.

Public Submissions

The following people addressed Council on the matter: Ms Mary Rispoli; and Mr David Brant.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Jolly

Seconded: Councillor Nguyen

- 1. That Council:
 - (a) acknowledges outstanding effort of the Disability Advisory Committee's Public Transport Sub-committee;
 - (b) endorses the Community Appraisal of Disability Access at Railway Stations in the City of Yarra and the Appendix 3 Appraisal Data;
 - (c) forwards the above report to PTV, Metro <u>Trains</u> and other relevant organisations on behalf of DAC; and
 - (d) undertake advocacy with PTV and Metro <u>Trains</u> for upgrades recommended in the above report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Coleman left the meeting at 7.56pm Councillor Coleman returned to the meeting at 8.00pm

11.4 Community Grants 2018/19 Initiation Report

Trim Record Number: D18/46626 Responsible Officer: Community Partnerships Unit Manager

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council:
 - (a) endorse the allocation of \$878,650 to the Annual Grants Program 2019 pending 2018/19 budget approval;
 - (b) endorse the allocation of \$75,000 to Small Project Grants 2018/19 pending 2018/19 budget approval;
 - (c) endorse the allocation of \$25,000 to Room to Create Responsive Grants 2018/19 pending 2018/19 budget approval;
 - (d) endorse the guidelines for Annual Grants 2019;
 - (e) endorse the guidelines for Small Project Grants 2018/19;
 - (f) endorse the guidelines for Room to Create Responsive Grants 2018/19;
 - (g) appoint the Yarra Arts Advisory Committee (excluding Councillors on the committee) as the community panel for the Arts and Culture grants stream;
 - (h) appoint the Yarra Environment Advisory Committee (excluding Councillors on the committee) as the community panel for the Sustainability grants stream; and
 - (i) endorse the proposal to appoint community representatives to serve on each of the community grants assessment panels.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Stone

Seconded: Councillor Nguyen

- 1. That Council:
 - (a) endorse the allocation of \$878,650 to the Annual Grants Program 2019 pending 2018/19 budget approval;
 - (b) endorse the allocation of \$75,000 to Small Project Grants 2018/19 pending 2018/19 budget approval;
 - (c) endorse the allocation of \$25,000 to Room to Create Responsive Grants 2018/19 pending 2018/19 budget approval;
 - (d) endorse the guidelines for Annual Grants 2019, <u>subject to the inclusion of an additional</u> <u>dot point on the community development stream</u>, "Reducing social isolation in multi-unit <u>housing developments.</u>"
 - (e) endorse the guidelines for Small Project Grants 2018/19;
 - (f) endorse the guidelines for Room to Create Responsive Grants 2018/19;
 - (g) appoint the Yarra Arts Advisory Committee (excluding Councillors on the committee) as the community panel for the Arts and Culture grants stream;
 - (h) appoint the Yarra Environment Advisory Committee (excluding Councillors on the committee) as the community panel for the Sustainability grants stream; and
 - (i) endorse the proposal to appoint community representatives to serve on each of the community grants assessment panels.

11.5 Proposed Motions for MAV State Council 2018

Trim Record Number: D18/54962 Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council:
 - (a) endorse the following motions (*Attachments 1 -6*) for submission to the Municipal Association of Victoria State Council, 18 May 2018:
 - (i) Cyclist Safety;
 - (ii) Container Deposit Scheme;
 - (iii) Recycling Industries in Victoria;
 - (iv) Electric Buses;
 - (v) Infrastructure Funding; and
 - (vi) Victorian Cabinet.

MOTION

Moved: Councillor Searle

Seconded: Councillor Fristacky

- 1. That Council:
 - (a) endorse the following motions (*Attachments 1 -6*) for submission to the Municipal Association of Victoria State Council, 18 May 2018:
 - (i) Cyclist Safety;
 - (ii) Container Deposit Scheme;
 - (iii) Recycling Industries in Victoria;
 - (iv) Electric Buses; and
 - (v) Infrastructure Funding.

AMENDMENT

Moved: Councillors Stone

To add to the motion in Attachment 3 on Recycling, under (b)

in light of the above, MAV <u>urge the State Government to adopt an approach to waste which</u> <u>acknowledges the need to move to a circular economy in line with the approach taken by many</u> <u>Council's and contemporary best practice.</u>

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

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Searle Seconded: Councillor Fristacky

- 1. That Council:
 - (a) endorse the following motions (*Attachments 1 -6*) for submission to the Municipal Association of Victoria State Council, 18 May 2018:
 - (i) Cyclist Safety;
 - (ii) Container Deposit Scheme;
 - (iii) Recycling Industries in Victoria, subject to the inclusion under (b); in light of the above, MAV urge the State Government to adopt an approach to waste which acknowledges the need to move to a circular economy in line with the approach taken by many Council's and contemporary best practice.
 - (iv) Electric Buses; and
 - (v) Infrastructure Funding.

11.6 Councillor Attendance at ICLEI World Congress 2018 - Authorisation

Trim Record Number: D18/59110 Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

Councillor Stone left the meeting due to a conflict of interest at 8.43pm

RECOMMENDATION

 That Council pursuant to Council's Expense Entitlement Policy approve the attendance of Councillor Amanda Stone at the ICLEI World Congress 2018 in Montreal, Canada from 19 -22 June 2018.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Jolly

Seconded: Councillor Searle

- 1. That Council:
 - (a) <u>note that Councillor Stone has been formally invited to speak by the organisers of the</u> <u>Congress</u>;
 - (b) <u>note that Councillor Stone has agreed to pay for half of the travel and accommodation</u> <u>costs and that this will reduce the cost to Council to less than that of domestic</u> <u>conferences such as ALGA; and</u>
 - (c) pursuant to Council's Expense Entitlement Policy approve the attendance of Councillor Amanda Stone at the ICLEI World Congress 2018 in Montreal, Canada from 19 - 22 June 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Stone returned to the meeting at 8.52pm

11.7 Councillor Attendance at ALGA 2018 National Conference - Authorisation

Trim Record Number: D18/59118 Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

Councillor Coleman left the meeting due to a conflict of interest at 8.53pm

RECOMMENDATION

 That Council pursuant to Council's Expense Entitlement Policy, approve attendance by Councillor/s......at the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) National General Assembly in Canberra from 17 – 20 June 2018.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Nguyen

Seconded: Councillor Fristacky

 That Council pursuant to Council's Expense Entitlement Policy, approve attendance by <u>Councillor Misha Coleman</u> at the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) National General Assembly in Canberra from 17 – 20 June 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Coleman returned to the meeting at 8.55pm

12.1 Notice of Motion No.4 of 2018 - Walmer Street Bridge

Trim Record Number: D18/59166 Responsible Officer: Group Manager Chief Executive's Office

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Stone Seconded: Councillor Jolly

That <u>Council commence an advocacy campaign with the Mayor writing</u> to the Member for Richmond, Richard Wynne MP, seeking his commitment to funding an urgently needed fit-forpurpose pedestrian/cyclist bridge across the Yarra River at Walmer Street.

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

Conclusion

The meeting concluded at 9.29pm.

Confirmed Tuesday 24 April 2018

Mayor