



Minutes

**Corrected by resolution on Tuesday 18 June 2024

Council Meeting

6.31pm, Tuesday 14 May 2024

Richmond Town Hall

1. Statement of recognition of Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Land

“Yarra City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people as the Traditional Owners and true sovereigns of the land now known as Yarra.

We acknowledge their creator spirit Bunjil, their ancestors and their Elders.

We acknowledge the strength and resilience of the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung, who have never ceded sovereignty and retain their strong connections to family, clan and country despite the impacts of European invasion.

We also acknowledge the significant contributions made by other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to life in Yarra.

We pay our respects to Elders from all nations here today—and to their Elders past, present and future.”

2. Attendance, apologies and requests for leave of absence

Attendance

Councillors

- Cr Edward Crossland Mayor
- Cr Anab Mohamud Deputy Mayor
- Cr Michael Glynatsis Councillor
- Cr Stephen Jolly Councillor
- Cr Herschel Landes Councillor
- Cr Bridgid O’Brien Councillor
- Cr Amanda Stone Councillor
- Cr Sophie Wade Councillor

Council staff

Chief Executive Officer

- Sue Wilkinson Chief Executive Officer

General Managers

- Brooke Colbert Governance, Communications and Customer Experience
- Sam Hewett Infrastructure and Environment
- Kerry McGrath Community Strengthening
- Mary Osman City Sustainability and Strategy
- Jenny Scicluna Corporate Services and Transformation

Governance

- Phil De Losa Manager Governance and Integrity
- Rhys Thomas Senior Governance Advisor
- Mel Nikou Governance Officer

Apology

- Cr Claudia Nguyen Councillor

COUNCIL RESOLUTION (PROCEDURAL)

Moved: Councillor Stone

Seconded: Councillor Wade

That leave of absence be provided for Councillor Stone for the Council Meeting on Tuesday 18 June 2024.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Jolly, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Announcements

No announcements were made.

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

Cr Crossland, Cr Glynatsis, Cr Jolly, Cr Landes, Cr Mohamud, Cr O'Brien and Cr Stone declared that they had familiarised themselves with the matters being presented to this meeting and that they do not have a conflict of interest.

Councillor Wade declared a general conflict of interest on item 11.2, as a family member is involved with the organisation that manages e-scooters.

5. Confirmation of minutes

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Stone

Seconded: Councillor Wade

That the amended minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday 9 April 2024 be confirmed.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Jolly, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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6. Question time

This record is provided as a summary of the questions asked by members of the public during Question Time. A recording of the Council Meeting is available on Council's website for twelve months following the meeting. Where a question is taken on notice and unable to be answered at the meeting, the full response is also published on Council's website when it becomes available.

The following questions were asked:

1. Aaron Moon:

As we are all keenly aware there currently is a domestic and family violence crisis happening in Australia, this has been occurring for many years silently, until now. The media and protesters have highlighted this issue and focused their attention to federal and state governments for action. Since local government is closest to community my question is:

What is the City of Yarra doing to support those affected by domestic and family violence?

The General Manager Corporate Services and Transformation provided the following response:

Thank you very much for your question Aaron.

I think the whole community agrees that the issue of domestic and family violence is one that is ever present in our hearts and minds. Council remains committed to addressing family violence through a whole-of-community approach. Yarra's Council Plan 2021-25 includes the key Health and Wellbeing theme: Promoting gender equality and reducing gendered violence.

Local Government, including Yarra, has a number of important frontline roles in relation to this, in particular our Maternal and Child Health Service and our family support case workers. In addition, Council maintains a strong history of supporting staff with matters of family violence and gender equality through awareness raising and practical support, events, and provisions in our enterprise agreement for people experiencing family violence.

Council is also bound by the Gender Equality Act and has an action plan which responds to our responsibilities as an employer.

2. Yvonne Gray:

What is the expected date for the re-opening of the Burnley Golf Course?

The General Manager Infrastructure and Environment provided the following response:

Thanks for your question Yvonne.

At this stage, we're tentatively planning a launch event for Friday 14 June 2024 and then the course will reopen on Saturday 15 June 2024.

Officers will shortly be making contact with the nominated committee members for each of the tenant golf clubs to provide a further update.

3. Kenneth Gomez:

In June 2023, Council Officers advertised a tender for a \$2.2 million contract for Burnley Golf Course and received only one (1) bid.

Boroondara Council also had a similar problem with their Freeway Golf Course. Unlike Yarra, who received one bid, they received four bids.

My simple Google search of Boroondara Council's published minutes lists them as Global Turf Projects Pty Ltd, McMahons Pty Ltd, DWE Pty Ltd and SJM Turf and Civil Pty Ltd.

Why didn't Council Officers reach out to these bidders to create more competition before spending over \$2 million ratepayer funds?

The General Manager Infrastructure and Environment provided the following response:

Thanks for your question Kenneth.

A fully public tender was advertised for the works and tender responses fairly evaluated according to Council's Procurement Policy.

The tender was advertised in The Age newspaper and through Council's e-tendering portal which would have been seen by any contractor or consultant with an interest in the type of work being advertised.

Council relies on the market to respond to tenders and officers exercise due caution to ensure probity obligations are met for every procurement activity.

4. Paul Jackson:

With regard to the Burnley Golf Course redesign failings and the Audit and Risk Committee review which some councillors' have responsibly called for, will the CEO confirm that she or her staff have not attempted and will not attempt to control, influence or manipulate the independent review process in any way, by pre-empting the findings and or restricting or directing the investigation scope, with either councillors' or those conducting the review, but most importantly attempt in any way to limit access to the findings of the investigation for the councillors' or the community?

The Chief Executive Officer provided the following response:

Thank you for the question Paul.

In line with good practice, as CEO I have commissioned an independent operational review of the Burnley Golf project to provide me with advice regarding opportunities to strengthen our systems for the future.

5. Margaret Randall:

Who will manage the Burnley course when re-opens?

The General Manager Infrastructure and Environment provided the following response:

Thank you for your question Margaret.

Council will manage the course when it opens.

6. Sharon Harrison:

Council's Heat Plan acknowledges the vital role that not-for-profit and community organisations play in mitigating the effects of heatwaves in Yarra. Neighbourhood houses play in supporting some of the most vulnerable members Yarra community and Council cannot expect them to play this role if Council cuts their funding.

There has been much talk about cost shifting by State government, why is Council delivering a 2.5% funding cut to Neighbourhood Houses in the 2024/2025 budget?

The General Manager Community Strengthening provided the following response:

Thank you for your question Sharon

In response to the draft FY25 budget community consultation, we have received a great deal of feedback regarding impact of this budget oversight to the vital work of Neighbourhood Houses in supporting our community.

Officers will recommend adjustments to the draft FY25 Annual Budget, which is scheduled for decision at the 18 June 2024 Council meeting.

The adjustments will seek to correct this oversight and includes a funding increase for Neighbourhood Houses based upon current FY24 funding levels, as well as a 2% increase to the current FY24 funding levels.

The information was conveyed to neighbourhood houses last week.

7. Peter Razos:

How many of the members at Burnley Golf course are constituents of the City of Yarra (rate payers)?

The General Manager Infrastructure and Environment provided the following response:

Thank you for your question, Peter.

Of the 96 golf memberships taken out with Yarra Leisure, currently 50 are residents of Yarra.

For the proportion of Yarra members with Burnley Golf Club and Burnley Women's Golf Club, you might decide to enquire directly with them.

8. Sharon Harrison on behalf of Victoria Chipperfield:

Could Council please explain what practical strategies have been put in place to maintain updated information and services to constituents impacted by people experiencing drug overdoses as well as the growing numbers of used syringes being left in public places?

The General Manager Community Strengthening provided the following response:

We are very aware of the significant impact of drug-related activity on the community.

As part of our efforts to address concerns regarding public amenity Council manages discarded syringes and associated waste throughout the municipality.

Council works closely and formally with other agencies, including community health, government, non-government and emergency services to advocate and ensure the provision of support and information for those impacted by drugs and alcohol and the broader community.

Council delivers a syringe removal service throughout the municipality 365 days per year. On average, 330 syringes are removed from Yarra's streets every day, with a total of 120,744 syringes removed in 2023. In addition, Council manages 96 syringe disposal boxes in public toilets and laneways throughout the city.

7.1 Road Seg (Partial) Alexandra Parade Fitzroy North

Reference	D24/144293
Author	Nish Goonetilleke - Senior Statutory Planner
Authoriser	Manager Statutory Planning
Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

RECOMMENDATION

Start time: 7.04pm

That the Council:

- (a) Note the officer report and the application material; and
- (b) Delegates the Manager Statutory Planning to issue Planning Permit PLN23/0819 for roadworks associated with the construction of car parking spaces on land within the Special Building Overlay at Road Seg (Partial) Alexandra Parade Fitzroy North VIC 3068, generally in accordance with the “decision plans” and subject to the following conditions:
 1. Before the development commences (excluding site preparation work but including tree removal) amended plans to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority must be submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority. When approved, the plans will be endorsed and will then form part of this permit. The plans must be drawn to scale with dimensions and must be generally in accordance with the decision plans prepared by Creo Consultants, dated 13.12.2023 (Rev C: Drawing No. CRE-CV-DR-0120) and prepared by VicRoads Design (Rev A: SD3143), but modified to include/show:
 - (a) Car parking spaces numbered;
 - (b) Dimensions relating to car parking and access as follows:
 - (i) width of the car parking spaces;
 - (ii) width of the aisles;
 - (c) Swept-path diagrams demonstrating the following:
 - (i) entry and exist movements into and out of the car parking spaces;
 - (ii) turning movements into and out of the median strip from the slip lanes; and
 - (iii) adequate turning movements at the end of the car parking areas to allow vehicles to exit the car park in a forward direction when all spaces in the car park are occupied; this may be achieved by deleting or nominating the end spaces (four in total) to ‘No Stopping’, if required; and
 - (d) Any requirements of the following conditions, including any consequential changes to the layout of the car park;
 - (i) Condition 3 (Melbourne Water);
 - (ii) Conditions 5 and 6 (Department of Transport and Planning);
 - (iii) Condition 7 (Endorsed Tree Management Plan); and
 - (iv) Condition 9 (Landscape Plan).
 2. The development as shown on the endorsed plans must not be altered (unless the Yarra Planning Scheme specifies that a permit is not required) without the prior written consent of the Responsible Authority.

Melbourne Water Conditions (3 - 4)

3. Concurrent with the submission of Condition 1 Plans, amended plans to the satisfaction of Melbourne Water and Council must be submitted to and approved by Melbourne Water and Council. The plans must be generally in accordance with the plans submitted with the application but modified to include:
 - (a) Ground and surface levels to Australian Height Datum (AHD);
 - (b) Detailed elevation plans with carpark and road pavement finished levels; and
 - (c) The exact location of Melbourne Water's drain, determined by a licensed Land Surveyor, or suitably qualified Engineer. The plans must show the location of the drain in relation to any proposed permanent structures or footings which are proposed and demonstrate compliance with Melbourne Water's requirements for siting of structures near easements/ drains.
4. Prior to commencement of works, a separate Buildover application must be made directly to Melbourne Water's Asset Services Team for approval of works/structures over or near Melbourne Water's assets.

Department of Transport and Planning Conditions (5 - 6)

5. Only trees that are preventing the safe and practical implementation of the roadworks can be removed, and the extent of tree removal is to be minimised wherever practical.
6. The roadworks must incorporate construction techniques that minimise the impact on the trees that are being retained and every effort must be made to do so.

Tree Management Plan

7. Concurrent with the submission of Condition 1 Plans, a Tree Management Plan to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority must be prepared by a suitably qualified Arborist and must be submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority. When approved the Tree Management Plan will be endorsed and will form part of this permit. The Tree Management Plan must make recommendations for:
 - (a) Any measures necessary to address the Department of Transport and Planning's requirements at conditions 5 and 6;
 - (b) the protection and preservation of Trees 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 14,15, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 32, including:
 - (i) pre-construction;
 - (ii) during construction;
 - (iii) post construction;
 - (c) the provision of any barriers;
 - (d) any pruning necessary; and
 - (e) watering and maintenance regimes,to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.
8. During construction, the provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Tree Management Plan must be complied with and implemented to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

Landscape Plan

9. Concurrent with the submission of Condition 1 Plans, a Landscape Plan to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority must be submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority. When approved, the Landscape Plan will be endorsed and will form part of this permit. The Landscape Plan must:
 - (a) provide for the planning to canopy trees and other suitable plantings in the vicinity;

- (b) show the type, location, quantity, height at maturity and botanical names of all proposed canopy trees;
 - (c) indicate the location of all areas to be covered by lawn or other surface materials; and
 - (d) provide a specification of works to be undertaken prior to planting, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.
10. Before the car park is occupied, or by such later date as approved in writing by the Responsible Authority, the landscaping works shown on the endorsed Landscape Plan must be carried out and completed to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority. The landscaping shown on the endorsed Landscape Plan must be maintained by:
- (a) implementing and complying with the provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Landscape Plan;
 - (b) not using the areas set aside on the endorsed Landscape Plan for landscaping for any other purpose; and
 - (c) replacing any dead, diseased, dying or damaged plants, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

General

11. Before the car park is occupied, or by such later date as approved in writing by the Responsible Authority, external lighting capable of illuminating access to the pedestrian and vehicular entrances must be provided on the subject site. Lighting must be:
- (a) located;
 - (b) directed;
 - (c) shielded; and
 - (d) of limited intensity, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.
12. All buildings and works must be maintained in good order and appearance to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

Car Parking

13. Before the car park is occupied, or by such later date as approved in writing by the Responsible Authority, the area set aside on the endorsed plans for the car parking spaces, access lanes, driveways and associated works must be:
- (a) Constructed and available for use in accordance with the endorsed plans;
 - (b) Formed to such levels and drained so that they can be used in accordance with the endorsed plans; and
 - (c) Line-marked or provided with some adequate means of showing the car parking spaces, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

Civil Works

14. Within 2 months of the completion or by such later date as approved in writing by the Responsible Authority, any damage to Council infrastructure resulting from the development must be reinstated:
- (a) In accordance with Yarra Standard Drawings | Yarra City Council
 - (b) at the permit holder's cost; and
 - (c) To the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

Construction Management Plan

15. Before the development commences, a Construction Management Plan to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority must be submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority. When approved, the Construction Management Plan will be endorsed and will form part of this permit. The Construction Management Plan must provide for:

- (a) a pre-conditions survey (dilapidation report) of the land and all adjacent Council roads frontages and nearby road infrastructure;
- (b) works necessary to protect road and other infrastructure;
- (c) remediation of any damage to road and other infrastructure;
- (d) containment of dust, dirt and mud within the land and method and frequency of clean up procedures to prevent the accumulation of dust, dirt and mud outside the land;
- (e) facilities for vehicle washing, which must be located on the land;
- (f) the location of loading zones, site sheds, materials, cranes and crane/hoisting zones, gantries and any other construction related items or equipment to be located in any street;
- (g) site security;
- (h) management of any environmental hazards including, but not limited to, :
 - (i) contaminated soil;
 - (ii) materials and waste;
 - (iii) dust;
 - (iv) stormwater contamination from run-off and wash-waters;
 - (v) sediment from the land on roads;
 - (vi) washing of concrete trucks and other vehicles and machinery; and
 - (vii) spillage from refuelling cranes and other vehicles and machinery;
- (i) the construction program;
- (j) preferred arrangements for trucks delivering to the land, including delivery and unloading points and expected duration and frequency;
- (k) parking facilities for construction workers;
- (l) measures to ensure that all work on the land will be carried out in accordance with the Construction Management Plan;
- (m) an outline of requests to occupy public footpaths or roads, or anticipated disruptions to local services;
- (n) an emergency contact that is available for 24 hours per day for residents and the Responsible Authority in the event of relevant queries or problems experienced;
- (o) the provision of a traffic management plan to comply with provisions of AS 1742.3-2002 Manual of uniform traffic control devices - Part 3: Traffic control devices for works on roads;

If required, the Construction Management Plan may be approved in stages. Construction of each stage must not commence until a Construction Management Plan has been endorsed for that stage, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

16. The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Construction Management Plan must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

Construction hours & noise

17. Except with the prior written consent of the Responsible Authority, demolition or construction works must not be carried out:
- (a) Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays) before 7:00am or after 6:00pm.
 - (b) Saturdays and public holidays (other than ANZAC Day, Christmas Day and Good Friday) before 9:00am or after 3:00pm.
 - (c) Sundays, ANZAC Day, Christmas Day and Good Friday at any time.

Permit Expiry

18. This permit will expire if:

- (a) the development is not commenced within two years of the date of this permit; and
- (b) the development is not completed within four years of the date of this permit.

The Responsible Authority may extend the periods referred to if a request is made in writing before the permit expires or within six months afterwards for commencement or within twelve months afterwards for completion.

Notes:

A building permit may be required before development is commenced. Please contact Council's building services on 9205 5555 to confirm.

Provision must be made for drainage of the site to a legal point of discharge. Please contact Council's Building Services on 9205 5555 for further information.

A local law permit (e.g. Asset Protection Permit, Road Occupation Permit) may be required before development is commenced. Please contact Council's Construction Management Branch on Ph. 9205 5555 to confirm.

Melbourne Water notes

Information available at Melbourne Water indicates that the property is subject to flooding from Melbourne Water's drainage system, based on a rainfall event which has a 1% Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP), that is, a 1% probability of being equalled or exceeded in any one year. The applicable 1% AEP flood level grades from 22.65m to 22.22m Australian Height Datum (AHD) across the site.

Melbourne Water has the following assets within the location of the proposed works: Alexandra Parade Main Drain - this asset consists of 4880mm wide pipe constructed of concrete bluestone in 1944 and Alexandra Parade Relief Drain - this asset consists of 1980mm wide pipe constructed of unreinforced concrete drain 1928.

Department of Transport and Planning Notes

Any permission or formal approval that may be required from Council is to be obtained prior to the removal of any trees/vegetation.

The final approval for the proposed roadworks will be provided by DTP's External Works Delivery Team.

Public Submissions

The following people addressed Council on the matter:

Aaron Moon;

Peter Long;

Glen McCallum; and

Michael Spencer.

MOTION

Moved: Councillor Wade

Seconded: Councillor Mohamud

1. That the Council:
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 - (i) the proposal would not be an orderly planning outcome and would not positively respond to the surrounding area through the removal and impact on the health of mature trees, further contribute to the heat island effect by reducing the green area, and potential adverse impact on pedestrian and road safety.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Mohamud and Wade

Against: Councillors Glynatsis, Jolly, Landes, O'Brien and Stone

LOST

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

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Seconded: Councillor O'Brien

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Civil Works

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 - (c) To the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

Construction Management Plan

- 15. Before the development commences, a Construction Management Plan to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority must be submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority. When approved, the Construction Management Plan will be endorsed and will form part of this permit. The Construction Management Plan must provide for:
 - (a) a pre-conditions survey (dilapidation report) of the land and all adjacent Council roads frontages and nearby road infrastructure;
 - (b) works necessary to protect road and other infrastructure;
 - (c) remediation of any damage to road and other infrastructure;
 - (d) containment of dust, dirt and mud within the land and method and frequency of clean up procedures to prevent the accumulation of dust, dirt and mud outside the land;
 - (e) facilities for vehicle washing, which must be located on the land;
 - (f) the location of loading zones, site sheds, materials, cranes and crane/hoisting zones, gantries and any other construction related items or equipment to be located in any street;
 - (g) site security;
 - (h) management of any environmental hazards including, but not limited to, :
 - (i) contaminated soil;
 - (ii) materials and waste;
 - (iii) dust;
 - (iv) stormwater contamination from run-off and wash-waters;
 - (v) sediment from the land on roads;
 - (vi) washing of concrete trucks and other vehicles and machinery; and
 - (vii) spillage from refuelling cranes and other vehicles and machinery;
 - (i) the construction program;
 - (j) preferred arrangements for trucks delivering to the land, including delivery and unloading points and expected duration and frequency;
 - (k) parking facilities for construction workers;
 - (l) measures to ensure that all work on the land will be carried out in accordance with the Construction Management Plan;
 - (m) an outline of requests to occupy public footpaths or roads, or anticipated disruptions to local services;

- (n) an emergency contact that is available for 24 hours per day for residents and the Responsible Authority in the event of relevant queries or problems experienced;
- (o) the provision of a traffic management plan to comply with provisions of AS 1742.3-2002 Manual of uniform traffic control devices - Part 3: Traffic control devices for works on roads;

If required, the Construction Management Plan may be approved in stages. Construction of each stage must not commence until a Construction Management Plan has been endorsed for that stage, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

16. The provisions, recommendations and requirements of the endorsed Construction Management Plan must be implemented and complied with to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

Construction hours & noise

17. Except with the prior written consent of the Responsible Authority, demolition or construction works must not be carried out:
- (a) Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays) before 7:00am or after 6:00pm.
 - (b) Saturdays and public holidays (other than ANZAC Day, Christmas Day and Good Friday) before 9:00am or after 3:00pm.
 - (c) Sundays, ANZAC Day, Christmas Day and Good Friday at any time.

Permit Expiry

18. This permit will expire if:
- (a) the development is not commenced within two years of the date of this permit; and
 - (b) the development is not completed within four years of the date of this permit.

The Responsible Authority may extend the periods referred to if a request is made in writing before the permit expires or within six months afterwards for commencement or within twelve months afterwards for completion.

19. Concurrent with the submission of Condition 1 Plans, a Pedestrian and cycling plan to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority must be submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority. When approved, the Pedestrian and cycling plan will be endorsed and will form part of this permit. The Pedestrian and cycling Plan must:
- (a) Address any potential treatments required to ensure pedestrian and cyclist safety resulting from this development.
20. Any costs associated with any works required to be undertaken by the pedestrian and cycling plan must be borne by the applicant.

Notes:

A building permit may be required before development is commenced. Please contact Council's building services on 9205 5555 to confirm.

Provision must be made for drainage of the site to a legal point of discharge. Please contact Council's Building Services on 9205 5555 for further information.

A local law permit (e.g. Asset Protection Permit, Road Occupation Permit) may be required before development is commenced. Please contact Council's Construction Management Branch on Ph. 9205 5555 to confirm.

Melbourne Water notes

Information available at Melbourne Water indicates that the property is subject to flooding from Melbourne Water's drainage system, based on a rainfall event which has a 1% Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP), that is, a 1% probability of being equalled or exceeded in any one year. The applicable 1% AEP flood level grades from 22.65m to 22.22m Australian Height Datum (AHD) across the site.

Melbourne Water has the following assets within the location of the proposed works: Alexandra Parade Main Drain - this asset consists of 4880mm wide pipe constructed of concrete bluestone in 1944 and Alexandra Parade Relief Drain - this asset consists of 1980mm wide pipe constructed of unreinforced concrete drain 1928.

Department of Transport and Planning Notes

Any permission or formal approval that may be required from Council is to be obtained prior to the removal of any trees/vegetation.

The final approval for the proposed roadworks will be provided by DTP's External Works Delivery Team.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Glynatsis, Jolly, Landes, O'Brien and Stone

Against: Councillors Crossland, Mohamud and Wade

CARRIED

7.2 Secret Garden - Ballarat St Collingwood

Reference	D24/97989
Author	Sam Hewett - General Manager Infrastructure and Environment
Authoriser	General Manager Infrastructure and Environment
Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

RECOMMENDATION

Start time: 7.52pm

1. That Council:
 - (a) Continues its advocacy efforts to the Department of Transport and Planning, as owners of the land, and the Minister for Roads and Road Safety to offer a new licence to the current licensee operating the Secret Garden so that they may continue operating a community garden in Ballarat St Collingwood;
 - (b) Receives a further update from officers once the Minister has made her decision; and
 - (c) Continues working with the Department of Transport and Planning in relation to its plans to green its excess land for community benefit within the City of Yarra's municipal boundary.

Public Submission

Claire Mathieson addressed Council on the matter.

MOTION

Moved: Councillor Glynatsis

Seconded: Councillor Jolly

1. That Council:
 - (a) accept Department of Transport and Planning's (DTP's) offer and enter into an agreement to licence the space from the Department of Transport and Planning and then sub-licence the space to the community group to run the Secret Garden. The community group (sub-licences) will pay rent to council up front for 5 years to minimise administration costs. The Secret garden is fully self-funded and has public liability insurance.

AMENDMENT

Moved: Councillor Wade

The community group (sub-licencees) will pay rent to Council on an annual basis.

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

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Glynatsis

Seconded: Councillor Jolly

1. That Council:

- (a) accept Department of Transport and Planning's (DTP's) offer and enter into an agreement to licence the space from the Department of Transport and Planning and then sub-licence the space to the community group to run the Secret Garden. The community group (sub-licences) will pay rent to Council on an annual basis. The Secret garden is fully self-funded and has public liability insurance.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Jolly, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.3 Wellington Street Stages three and four - Community engagement and data collection

Reference	D24/130282
Author	Peter Eckersley - Senior Active Transport Project Officer
Authoriser	General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy
Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

RECOMMENDATION

Start time: 8.06pm

1. That Council note the report and findings of the initial community engagement and data collection for Wellington Street Stages 3 and 4.

Public Submissions

The following people addressed Council on the matter:

Aaron Moon; and

Sherena Ismail.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Wade

Seconded: Councillor Stone

1. That Council note the report and findings of the initial community engagement and data collection for Wellington Street Stages 3 and 4.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Jolly, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.4 Quarterly Community Report - March 2024

Reference	D24/154848
Author	Emily Woodin - Coordinator Business Planning and Performance
Authoriser	General Manager Corporate Services and Transformation
Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

RECOMMENDATION

Start time: 8.17pm

1. That Council:
 - (a) notes the 2023/24 Community Report Quarter Three provided at **Attachment One**; and
 - (b) endorses the removal of the following actions from the 2023/2024 Annual Plan:
 - (i) Action title: 3.1.1.2 Night Time Economy Action Plan; and
 - (ii) Action title: 4.1.1.3 Gipps Street Employment Precinct Local Area Plan.

Public Submission

Michael Spencer addressed Council on the matter.

Councillor Jolly left the meeting at 8.23pm

Councillor Jolly returned at 8.26pm.

Councillor Mohamud left the meeting at 8.26pm

Councillor Mohamud returned at 8.32pm

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Wade

Seconded: Councillor Crossland

1. That Council:
 - (a) notes the 2023/24 Community Report Quarter Three provided at **Attachment One**; and
 - (b) endorses the removal of the following actions from the 2023/2024 Annual Plan:
 - (i) Action title: 3.1.1.2 Night Time Economy Action Plan; and
 - (ii) Action title: 4.1.1.3 Gipps Street Employment Precinct Local Area Plan.
 - (c) asks officers to explore the reporting of expired planning permits in future reports and to provide a briefing to Councillors.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Jolly, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.5 Multicultural Partnerships Policy

Reference	D24/135275
Author	Cristina Del Frate - Senior Coordinator Equity and Inclusion
Authoriser	General Manager Community Strengthening
Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

RECOMMENDATION

Start time: 8.40pm

1. That Council endorses the Yarra Multicultural Partnerships Policy May 2024 at **Attachment One**.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Mohamud

Seconded: Councillor Wade

1. That Council endorses the Yarra Multicultural Partnerships Policy May 2024 at **Attachment One**.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Jolly, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.6 Community Grants FY2025 Initiation Report

Reference	D24/90943
Author	Cristina Del Frate - Senior Coordinator Equity and Inclusion
Authoriser	General Manager Community Strengthening
Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

RECOMMENDATION

Start time: 8.43pm

1. That Council:

- (a) endorses the following Community Grants streams to be initiated in 2024/25, subject to the final approval of the 2024/25 Council budget:
 - (i) 2025 Annual Grants;
 - (ii) 2024/25 Small Project Grants;
 - (iii) 2024/25 Room to Create Responsive Grants;
 - (iv) 2024/25 Sustainability Arts Grants; and
 - (v) 2024/25 Arts Fellowship Arts Grants.
- (b) endorses the following proposed allocations of funds totalling \$1,536,794, subject to the final approval of the 2024/25 Council budget:
 - (i) \$1,366,899 for the 2025 Annual Grants Program;
 - (ii) \$95,520 for the 2024/25 Small Projects Grants;
 - (iii) \$30,000 for the 2024/25 Youth-Led Grants;
 - (iv) \$24,375 for the 2024/25 Room to Create Responsive Grants;
 - (v) \$10,000 for the 2024/25 Sustainability Arts Grants; and,
 - (vi) \$10,000 for the 2024/25 Arts Fellowship Grants;
- (c) notes that The Arts and Culture Annual Grants will revert to one round per year after trialling two rounds in 2023/24;
- (d) notes that no new multi-year grants will be initiated (given the current review of the Community Grants Program) and endorses the following alternative arrangements:
 - (i) The funds usually allocated to the Investing in Community stream will be diverted to the Annual Grants through a Major Community Projects stream, with an allocation of \$306,380 for the fiscal year 2024/2025; and
 - (ii) The 41 culturally and linguistically diverse and seniors' groups that have previously received Organisational Support Grants will be awarded a one-year funding extension, contingent on their ongoing eligibility, with a funding allocation of up to \$150,000 for 2024/2025.
- (e) endorses a \$150,000 funding allocation to aid YEF in its transition to self-sufficiency, and notes that this will be the Council's final financial contribution towards the operational expenses of YEF; and
- (f) notes that the report outlining the findings and recommendations from the Community Grants Program Review will be presented to the Council for consideration later this year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Mohamud

Seconded: Councillor Landes

1. That Council:

- (a) endorses the following Community Grants streams to be initiated in 2024/25, subject to the final approval of the 2024/25 Council budget:
 - (i) 2025 Annual Grants;
 - (ii) 2024/25 Small Project Grants;
 - (iii) 2024/25 Room to Create Responsive Grants;
 - (iv) 2024/25 Sustainability Arts Grants; and
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 - (iii) \$30,000 for the 2024/25 Youth-Led Grants;
 - (iv) \$24,375 for the 2024/25 Room to Create Responsive Grants;
 - (v) \$10,000 for the 2024/25 Sustainability Arts Grants; and,
 - (vi) \$10,000 for the 2024/25 Arts Fellowship Grants;
- (c) notes that The Arts and Culture Annual Grants will revert to one round per year after trialling two rounds in 2023/24;
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 - (i) The funds usually allocated to the Investing in Community stream will be diverted to the Annual Grants through a Major Community Projects stream, with an allocation of \$306,380 for the fiscal year 2024/2025; and
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- (f) notes that the report outlining the findings and recommendations from the Community Grants Program Review will be presented to the Council for consideration later this year.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Jolly, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.7 Portable Buildings World Heritage Listing Proposal

Reference	D24/151364
Author	Richa Swarup - Principal Advisor City Heritage
Authoriser	General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy
Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

RECOMMENDATION

Start time: 8.48pm

1. That Council:
 - (a) writes a letter to the Taskforce appreciating the research and documentation undertaken by them and provide its in-principle support for any further research on the proposal for the Portable buildings' World Heritage Nomination;
 - (b) writes a letter to the Minister of Planning, the Hon Sonya Kilkeny MP indicating its in-principle support and the need to prioritise further research, consultation and assessment towards listing of Portable Buildings' proposal on the Tentative List;
 - (c) authorises officers to:
 - (i) to undertake further research and consultation for the preparation of a Statement of Significance;
 - (ii) prepare and present a program for a Planning Scheme Amendment for 125 Easey Street as a part of a larger amendment; and
 - (iii) clarify the heritage registration of the two cottages located on 136 Sackville Street from Heritage Victoria.

Public Submission

Miles Lewis addressed Council on the matter.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Jolly

Seconded: Councillor O'Brien

1. That Council:

- (a) writes a letter to the Taskforce appreciating the research and documentation undertaken by them and provide its in-principle support for any further research on the proposal for the Portable buildings' World Heritage Nomination;
- (b) writes a letter to the Minister of Planning, the Hon Sonya Kilkeny MP indicating its in-principle support and the need to prioritise further research, consultation and assessment towards listing of Portable Buildings' proposal on the Tentative List;
- (c) authorises officers to:
 - (i) to undertake further research and consultation for the preparation of a Statement of Significance;
 - (ii) prepare and present a program for a Planning Scheme Amendment for 125 Easey Street as a part of a larger amendment; and
 - (iii) clarify the heritage registration of the two cottages located on 136 Sackville Street from Heritage Victoria; and
- (d) seeks to form a coalition in support of the Portable Buildings proposal by the Mayor writing to the Lord Mayor of the City of Melbourne and the Mayors of the Cities of Greater Geelong, and Port Phillip in the first instance.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Jolly, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Councillor Landes

CARRIED

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9.06pm.

The meeting resumed at 9.18pm.

7.8 Proposed Road Discontinuance of Road abutting 111 Best Street, Fitzroy North

Reference	D24/108958
Author	Fadi Fakhoury - Principal Infrastructure Engineer
Authoriser	General Manager Infrastructure and Environment
Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

RECOMMENDATION

Start time: 9.18pm

1. That Council, acting under clause 3 of schedule 10 of the Local Government Act 1989 (Act):
 - (a) resolves, having followed all the required statutory procedures pursuant to sections 207A and 233 of the Act pursuant to its power under clause 3 of Schedule 10 of the Act, and being of the opinion that the 18.3 square metre portion of road identified on the title plan attached as **Attachment One** to this report (Road) abutting 111 Best Street, Fitzroy North, being part of the land contained in certificate of title volume 653 folio 457, is not reasonably required for public use for the reasons set out in this report, to discontinue the Road;
 - (b) authorises that a notice pursuant to the provisions of clause 3(a) of Schedule 10 of the Act is to be published in the Victoria Government Gazette;
 - (c) directs that, once discontinued, the Road be transferred to the owner of 111 Best Street, Fitzroy North (Applicant) for no less than the market value (plus GST) as valued prior to completing the transfer ownership;
 - (d) authorises the General Manager Infrastructure and Environment to sign any transfer or transfers of the Road and any other documents required to be signed in connection with the discontinuance of the Road and its subsequent transfer to the Applicant;
 - (e) directs that any easements, rights or interests required to be created or saved over the Road by any authority be done so and not be affected by the discontinuance and sale of the Road; and
 - (f) directs that the Applicant be required to consolidate the title to the discontinued Road with the land contained in the certificates of title to the surrounding land, by no later than six months after the date of transfer of the discontinued Road.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Stone

Seconded: Councillor Jolly

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CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Jolly, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.9 Governance Report - May 2024

Reference	D24/126685
Author	Rhys Thomas - Senior Governance Advisor
Authoriser	General Manager Governance, Communications and Customer Experience
Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

RECOMMENDATION

Start time: 9.20pm

1. That Council note the government's response to the recommendations of the Independent Broad-based Anti-corruption Commission and the content of the Local Government Amendment (Governance and Integrity) Bill 2024.
2. That in the exercise of the powers conferred by the Local Government Act 2020, Council:
 - (a) varies the instrument of delegation by the Council to Members of Council Staff endorsed on 10 October 2023 as set out in the instrument at **Attachment Four**; and
 - (b) declare that this variation to the Instrument of Delegation comes into force immediately the common seal of Council is affixed to the instrument.
3. That Council receive the Audit and Risk Committee Biannual Activity Report.
4. That in the exercise of the powers conferred by s 147(4) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987, Council resolves that Aoife MULLIGAN be appointed and authorised as set out in the instrument at **Attachment Seven**, with the instrument coming into force immediately it is signed by Council's Chief Executive Officer, and remaining in force until Council determines to vary or revoke it.

AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council note the following statement from the City of Yarra Audit and Risk Committee:

"The Audit and Risk Committee acknowledges the progress by management toward ongoing financial sustainability, including the adoption by Council of a Financial Sustainability Strategy and the preparation of a balanced draft 2024/2025 budget for Council's consideration. The Committee notes the significant focus, effort and achievements of management to date to achieve these outcomes and the ongoing commitment to managing these risks."

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Landes

Seconded: Councillor Wade

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CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Jolly, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.10 C1663 Building Cleaning Services - Aquatic Leisure Centres - Tender Report

Reference	D24/161175
Author	David Laidlaw - Coordinator Building and Property Services Contracts
Authoriser	General Manager Infrastructure and Environment
Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

RECOMMENDATION

Start time: 9.30pm

1. That Council:
 - (a) awards the contract C1663 for Building Cleaning Services - Aquatic Leisure Centres to _____ (ABN _____) for an estimated sum in the first year of \$_____ (exclusive of GST) and a maximum sum of \$_____ (exclusive of GST) if Council exercises its options to extend for a further four one-year periods following the initial term of two years; and
 - (b) authorises the General Manager Infrastructure and Environment to sign the contract documentation and exercise options (as required and subject to satisfactory performance) on behalf of Council.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Stone

Seconded: Councillor Wade

1. That Council:
 - (a) awards the contract C1663 for Building Cleaning Services - Aquatic Leisure Centres to Cleaning Melbourne Pty Ltd (ABN 54 160 063 325) for an estimated sum in the first year of \$ 670,121 (exclusive of GST) and a maximum sum of \$ 4,916,000 (exclusive of GST) if Council exercises its options to extend for a further four one-year periods following the initial term of two years; and
 - (b) authorises the General Manager Infrastructure and Environment to sign the contract documentation and exercise options (as required and subject to satisfactory performance) on behalf of Council.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Jolly, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Notices of motion

8.1 Notice of Motion No.7 of 2024 - Garden Waste

Reference	D24/171121
Author	Sue Wilkinson - Chief Executive Officer
Authoriser	Chief Executive Officer
Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

RECOMMENDATION

Start time: 9.34pm

1. That Council:
 - (a) receives a report at the June Council meeting regarding options to retain a booked garden waste service for residential properties in the municipality.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor O'Brien

Seconded: Councillor Glynatsis

1. That Council:
 - (a) receives a report at the June Council meeting regarding options to retain a booked garden waste service for residential properties in the municipality.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Glynatsis, Jolly, Mohamud and O'Brien

Against: Councillors Crossland, Landes, Stone and Wade

The Mayor used his casting vote to vote against the motion.

LOST

8.2 Notice of Motion No.8 of 2024 - Medically Supervised Injecting Room

Reference	D24/172174
Author	Sue Wilkinson - Chief Executive Officer
Authoriser	Chief Executive Officer
Disclosure	The authoriser, having made enquiries with members of staff involved in the preparation of this report, asserts that they are not aware of any general or material conflicts of interest in relation to the matters presented.

RECOMMENDATION

Start time: 9.50pm

1. That Council:
 - (a) recognises that the Medically Supervised Injecting Service (MSIR) in North Richmond is saving lives, and thanks the Victorian Government for its ongoing commitment to this critical facility; and
 - (b) expresses disappointment at the Government's recent announcement to not proceed with a second medically supervised injecting room (MSIR) in Melbourne's central business district, despite Ken Lay AO APM's recommendations for a small discrete facility.
2. That the Mayor write to the Premier The Hon. Jacinta Allen MP, outlining the following on behalf of Council:
 - (a) welcomes the Victorian Government's trial of Trauma-Informed Enhanced Outreach in the North Richmond Precinct and requests that this essential program become ongoing, as it is already proving beneficial to people who inject drugs and the broader community;
 - (b) commends the Victorian Government's commitment to a two-year trial of opioid replacement therapy using hydromorphone for 60 drug users, who have not responded to other treatments, and requests that the implementation of this program be expedited to the earliest practicable date; and
 - (c) seeks support from the Victorian Government to fund Council's efforts in maintaining the North Richmond Precinct, where Council has doubled its cleaning and syringe management efforts, including more frequent street sweeping and foot patrols, with total expenditure nearing \$1.7 million since the 2020-21 financial year.

Public Submission

Greg Hordacre addressed Council on the matter.

MOTION

Moved: Councillor Landes

Seconded: Councillor Mohamud

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Councillor O'Brien left the meeting at 9.52pm.

AMENDMENT

Moved: Councillor Crossland

Seconded: Councillor Jolly

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CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Jolly, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Councillor Landes

CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

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CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Jolly, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor O'Brien returned to the meeting at 10.16pm.

9. Petitions and joint letters

9.1 Petition - Release of Atticusnow Documents

Reference: D24/184452

A petition containing 313 signatures from residents are requesting that a motion be passed to release the Atticusnow documents from 2022.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Jolly

Seconded: Councillor Glynatsis

That the petition be received and referred to the Chief Executive Officer for consideration.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Jolly, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.2 Petition - Closure of Charlotte Street Richmond

Reference: D24/184462

A petition containing 206 signatures from residents are objecting to the closure of Charlotte Street for a pocket park as drivers as using Charlotte Street and Elm Grove to avoid Swan and Church Street during peak hours, which is causing an increase in traffic congestion, side-swiping incidents, aggressive driving and frequent traffic jams on Elm Grove.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Glynatsis

Seconded: Councillor Wade

That the petition be received and referred to the Chief Executive Officer for consideration.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Jolly, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Councillor Landes

CARRIED

9.3 Petition - Little Turner Street, Abbotsford

Reference: D24/179801

A petition containing 57 signatures from residents are requesting that Council consider the safety concerns and the issue of ongoing and future development of Little Tuner Street.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Mohamud

Seconded: Councillor Jolly

That the petition be received and referred to the Chief Executive Officer for consideration.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Jolly, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. Questions without notice

10.1 Councillor Landes - Citizens Park Maintenance

Question:

What maintenance is being done to the surface of Citizens Park? It has been brought to my attention that damage is being done as a result of dogs digging up the surface.

The General Manager Infrastructure and Environment provided the following response:

Citizens Park is one of Richmond's largest and busiest park. It is designated as dog off lead when it is not used for sport or training. We proactively maintain the park on a fortnightly basis but we also offer a reactive service with the team going mostly on a daily basis, largely filling dog holes. We also offer aeration, top dressing and turf patching as part of our service offering. Just in terms of investment over time, we did a full renovation of the turf surface, drainage and irrigation just a few years ago, costing around \$800,000.

Signage is pretty clear at the site, but we may also put something on our website. We do receive requests to fill the holes and I know the sports clubs also fills holes on game day as part of their duties and largely happy to do that. We do rely on dog owners to be responsible. When I was there inspecting, I noticed they are not always supervising their dogs.

The General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy also provided the following response:

A request has also been made that Animal Management Officers do regular patrols at Citizens Park, and officers are planning on doing that.

10.2 Councillor Stone - Local Liveable Streets Program

Question:

I asked a question at the last meeting and was advised that the applicants that applied a year ago were being contacted one by one and I have spoken with some this week to see how that was going and they have said that no-one has contacted them. When will applicants be contacted and when will they receive an outcome of their application?

The General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy provided the following response:

I apologise if that hasn't happened yet. I will ensure that happens by the end of the week.

10.3 Councillor Glynatsis - Derelict Building on the corner of Langdridge Street and Hoddle Street

Question:

In relation to the building on the corner of Langdridge Street and Hoddle Street. It has become a derelict building, it's been fenced off and neighbours have said people have been going in there vandalising it. What is proposed for this site?

The General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy provided the following response:

A significant planning permit application has been lodged for that site and they are looking to develop that with a number of build to rent apartments. Council has some concerns on the scale of the development. It is the second application that has been lodged on the site. Again, we are at the tribunal, where we had an unsuccessful compulsory conference and will be heading to a full hearing.

11. Delegates' reports

11.1 Councillor Landes - Business Advisory Group (BAG)

Committee	Business Advisory Group
Appointed Councillors	Herschel Landes and Michael Glynatsis
Date of Council Meeting	29 February 2024
Date of Report	10 May 2024
Report Author	Herschel Landes

The Business Advisory Group met 29 February and discussed opportunities for 2024 and challenges over the previous three months.

1. Noting:

- (a) that cash flow was the biggest challenge for clients across all industries with invoices not being paid and that the problem was a combination sales being down and overheads up;
 - (b) in terms of the fashion retail perspective, the post covid boom has now burst with businesses stuck with excess stock and customer expectations of sales;
 - (c) E business experienced a poor January which was unusual. ATO debts for clients are creeping up while borrowings that were incurred during covid now need to be paid that money back impacting business; and
 - (d) There was an expectation that businesses would close as winter approaches and the warmer weather ends.
2. The Committee concluded unanimously that:
- (a) there was a recommendation to advise the City of Yarra to conduct an immediate survey into the economic well-being of local businesses amidst the ongoing economic crisis. This survey could analyse the challenges faced by businesses and explore potential opportunities and relief measures that the city could offer to alleviate their challenges. The committee suggested engaging stakeholders, presenting findings and recommending possible solutions to the city Council for prompt implementation, thereby fostering the greater resilience and vitality of our local economy;
 - (b) there was a recommendation for no further increases in Council fees including parking. Gleadell market costs, leisure centre costs and outdoor dining costs; and
 - (c) there was a recommendation to explore greater accessibility to mental health support for people particularly the hospitality businesses that don't have the skills and ability to support staff.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Landes

Seconded: Councillor Wade

1. That Council:
- (a) note the Delegate's Report; and
 - (b) thank the Business Advisory Group members for their expertise and advice.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.2 Councillor Stone - Active Ageing Advisory Committee and Disability Advisory Committee

Councillor Wade left at 10.33pm due to a conflict of interest.

Committee	Active Ageing Advisory Committee and Disability Advisory Committee
Appointed Councillors	Active Ageing Advisory Committee: Cr Amanda Stone Disability Advisory Committee: Cr Anab Mohamud, Cr Michael Glynatsis
Date of Council Meeting	Tuesday 14 May 2024
Date of Report	Sunday 12 May 2024
Report Author	Councillor Amanda Stone

The introduction of the State Government’s e-scooter trial to Yarra, Melbourne and Port Phillip LGAs, and the rise of micro-mobility in general, has brought many advantages to urban living, creating quicker and more accessible short trips, and assisting relieve road congestion and reduce pollution.

However, as a new form of mobility, there are many early challenges, including to those who rely on safe and accessible footpaths for their own mobility.

Both the Disability Advisory Group and the Active Ageing Advisory Group have consistently raised concerns about e-scooters (and e-bikes) and a joint meeting of the two groups was held on 18th March to find common ground and develop a joint advocacy position to council.

Key Concerns raised were:

- Safety of people with disability, older people and the general public
- Cost to the “pedestrian” not the user
- Parking of e-scooters impeding access
- Incorrect use of e-scooters

Key Themes

Discussion by the two groups generated concerns in the following areas:

- Policy
- Education
- Parking of e-scooters
- Behavioural change
- Geofencing
- Funding for local councils re identifying and implementing initiatives that aim to improve pedestrian safety- for example separation of pedestrians from all forms of traffic/vehicle's in those areas of “high pedestrian and transport”
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Preferred Trial Outcomes

Agreed preferred outcomes of the trial were that the State Government needs to be accountable for ensuring risks are identified and that there is mitigation to address those risks on the above themes:

- (a) Policy;
- (b) Education;
- (c) Behavioural change; and

- (d) Geofencing.

Advocacy Request

The combined groups wished to see Council advocate for the State Government to:

- (a) Develop and implement a state-wide education program- (advertising, socials, schools etc.);
- (b) Speed limitation for e-scooter hires and private use scooters (Nationally & State)
- (c) Separation of pedestrians from other traffic- e.g. separation from cars, bicycles and scooters, e- scooters;
- (d) Better regulations of e-scooter users- for example, fines, geofencing, speed limitation, insurance in agreements with E-scooter hire providers and monitoring of requirements/KPI's;
- (e) Public to have clarity on trial results- share how and what remedial actions have been taken, what risks were identified;
- (f) Breakdown of impacts of trial from a broad concept into impacts on specific groups;
- (g) Transparency and accountability on injuries, fines (to the user);
- (h) KPI's as part of contracts with providers that require transparent reporting on number of injuries, fines, number of e-scooters parked illegally, compliance and non-compliance re requirements of use etc.;
- (i) Higher visibility of police enforcing legal use;
- (j) Introduce an option for BYO helmet and scan; and
- (k) Clarity around liability insurance.

Council Action

The combined groups also recommended the following actions by Council:

- (a) Parking established for e-scooters where they are not posing a risk or impeding access (e.g. establishing micro-mobility parking and promoting locations of these) localised education- particularly around parking;
- (b) That the CEO raise the above concerns with the CEOs of Melbourne and Port Phillip Councils and jointly advocate to the State Government and/or directly advocate to the Minister responsible; and
- (c) That representatives from each of the advisory groups be included in any meeting with the relevant Minister to share their lived experience.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Stone

Seconded: Councillor Mohamud

1. That Council:
 - (a) note the Delegate's Report.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien and Stone

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.3 Councillor Stone - Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action (NAGA)

Councillor Wade returned to the meeting at 10.37pm

Committee	Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action (NAGA)
Appointed Councillors	Councillor Amanda Stone
Date of Council Meeting	Tuesday 14 May 2024
Date of Report	Sunday 12 May 2024
Report Author	Councillor Amanda Stone

The City of Yarra is a member of NAGA.

NAGA formed in 2002 as a network that shares information, coordinates emission reduction and adaptation activities and cooperates on the research and development of innovative projects. NAGA's goal is to substantially contribute to the transition to a low-carbon future by delivering effective programs and leveraging local government, community and business action.

The NAGA Executive comprises a councillor from each of the 9 NAGA councils and relevant officers. The project work in the NAGA Strategic Plan is undertaken by officers within and across their councils.

NAGA councils work together under an MOU which is due to be renegotiated in the next 12 months.

Local Projects

Local Carbon Offsetting NAGA: in collaboration with the other Greenhouse Alliances is organising a carbon forum which will be held in early June to examine councils current offsetting practices and options for local carbon offsetting in Victoria. A carbon offsetting stocktake survey is also being developed.

Victorian Climate Resilient Councils (VCRC): The VCRC team submitted a proposal to the Disaster Ready Fund in March to implement stage 2 of the program which will run for a period of 3 years. The program will be open, accessible, and promoted to all Victorian councils. The main outputs of VCRC Stage 2 will be a communications portal (website), collation of best adaptation resources, assistance for individual councils and an ongoing community of practice for knowledge sharing and future collaboration. NAGA will support the program through provision of a cash contribution of \$15k and in-kind support through participation on the steering committee.

Business Renewables Buying Group (BRBG): The Business Renewables Buying Group is in phase 2 of the project and NAGA is represented on the working group. The project is continuing to attract new businesses. Informative webinars are held periodically, with one-on one sessions also available.

Greening Our Business Platform: NAGA has been working with Darebin, Merri-bek, Yarra and Hume on the development of a tool for businesses in the region to self-assess sustainability performance, in order to celebrate the work they have done and progress further with sustainability actions.

Greenhouse Alliances Neighbourhood Battery Investigation Metropolitan (GANBIM): In February, Yarra Energy Foundation (YEF) held an Ownership and Operation Information Session online to provide councils party to GANBIM with a project update and an outline of various battery ownership models.

Victorian Energy Collaboration (VECO): VECO has recently worked with Red Energy to produce a second round offer for Councils unable to join the initial group. This includes:

- (a) An offer for all market account types;
- (b) A contract for a period of 5.5 years, commencing July 1, 2024;
- (c) Linking the electricity supply to two considerable wind farms (Murra Warra 2 and Murrindindi). This means the project has directly supported additional renewable energy supply in the grid;
- (d) Considerable socio-economic and community value add for the regions where the wind farms are located, as well as Victoria more broadly; and
- (e) Ongoing marketing and promotional support for the project and participating councils.

Advocacy

NAGA Advocacy Strategy The main focus proposed for 2024 is on residential electrification for vulnerable households using a multilevel governance model to address the issue which aligns with the other Victorian Alliances priorities as well. In addition, opportunities to advocate on place-based climate resilience and adaptation will be proactively targeted. A submission is currently being developed with MAV and the other Greenhouse Alliance on the National Adaptation Plan and also the Greenhouse Alliances are working on a submission to the Victorian Parliamentary Inquiry into Climate Resilience. Both submissions will include targeted recommendations on place-based climate resilience.

Submissions:

The Victorian Greenhouse Alliances have made four submissions so far this year:

1. Federal Government consultation on the First Nations Clean Energy Strategy
2. Federal Government inquiry into the Electric Vehicle transition plan
3. Climate Change Authority's Issues Paper on Targets, Pathways and Progress
4. Federal Government National Adaptation Plan Issues Paper
5. NAGA also signed onto the ACOSS Fair, Fast and Inclusive Climate Change Action framework and campaign

Partnerships

Northern Councils Alliance NAGA: has begun exploring partnership opportunities with the Northern Councils Alliance (NCA). A meeting was held in March which explored regional scale opportunities to work together on the next phase of the Community EV Transition Plan and the proposed Greening the North program.

Victorian Greenhouse Alliances Conference 2024: Planning for VGAC 2024 is well advanced, with MCEC confirmed as the venue for this year's conference.

All Electric Councils (AEC) Working Group: The AEC working group is currently led by WAGA, with a current focus on training and capacity-building for staff on electrification of council facilities, rather than advocacy about broader electrification issues.

NAGA Adaptation Working Group (NAWG): The NAWG has continued to meet monthly, providing a valuable opportunity for NAGA councils to share project ideas and knowledge, reflect more deeply on recent events or discuss topics raised in other forums. Investigations are continuing into collaborative opportunities for running The Adaptation Game, a bespoke scenario-based workshop for councils and communities, simulating climate change impacts over time. Several NAGA councils are already engaged with TAG and have had positive experiences raising awareness around (particularly) heatwave resilience, both internally within council and externally with community groups.

The Adaptation Community of Practice (ACoP): The Adaptation CoP was primarily

established to tackle adaptation issues related to heatwave resilience, particularly for vulnerable residents. It encompasses councils across metro Melbourne, incorporating the NAGA, WAGA, EAGA and SECCCA regions,

NAGA Local Carbon Offsetting Working Group: A Working Group has been formed with 8 out of 9 NAGA members participating. Issues to be explored include:

- (a) group procurement of offsets (VECO style);
- (b) opportunities to develop offset projects within NAGA and other Victorian LGAs;
- (c) how councils can assess the quality and integrity of a carbon credit; and
- (d) alternatives to offsetting (e.g. in setting) to meet carbon neutral and net zero targets.

NAGA Climate Risk and Governance Working Group: A Working Group has been formed with 8 out of 9 members participating. It will focus on:

- (a) Creating an exchange / knowledge sharing on implementation of TCFD or similar governance type standards within council;
- (b) Decision making and prioritisation frameworks and risk tolerance statements particularly in relation to climate risks on council assets; and
- (c) Climate risks and links to finance.

NAGA Council Highlights:

- (a) Banyule electrification of their Watermac Aquatic Centre and adjoining offices;
- (b) Darebin looking to join the e-scooter trial Hume scoping out EV charging infrastructure
- (c) Manningham have completed planning for degasification of Aquarena aquatic centre electrify everything webinar series;
- (d) Melbourne is updating its Heritage Strategy, having Climate Change as a focus area;
- (e) Merri-bek Revised internal Council report template to include climate risk analysis and lending induction cooktops through their libraries;
- (f) Nillumbik degassing Diamond Creek outdoor pool and delivering a multi-year grant funded 'Disaster Resilient Nillumbik Program; and
- (g) Whittlesea diverting waste from landfill to use in roadworks - 2,400 tonnes of construction material from landfill used in road resealing and reconstruction programs in first quarter this year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Stone

Seconded: Councillor O'Brien

1. That Council:

- (a) note the Delegate's Report.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. General Business

12.1 Councillor Crossland - Engaging Public Housing Residents in the Inquiry on the Demolition of Public Housing Towers

Start time: 10.41pm

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Crossland

Seconded: Councillor Mohamud

1. That Council write to the Legal and Social Issues Committee regarding the forthcoming Victorian Parliamentary Inquiry into the Demolition of Public Housing Towers advocating that the Committee:
 - (a) undertake proactive outreach efforts aimed at reaching all segments of the community, particularly public housing residents, noting that public housing residents represent a vital stakeholder group whose lived experiences and perspectives are critical to shaping the outcomes of this inquiry;
 - (b) demonstrates genuine interest in hearing from residents by actively inviting residents, listening to their concerns and experiences, engaging in meaningful dialogue that values residents' perspectives and acknowledges their expertise on living in public housing; and
 - (c) ensure that communication materials, submission processes and public hearings be made accessible and available in multiple languages, considering the diverse linguistic backgrounds of public housing residents, and that the distribution of information and the participation of residents be available through channels and in locations that residents commonly use and understand.
2. That the letter further:
 - (a) highlight Council's interest in participating in the Inquiry;
 - (b) note that Yarra has more public housing towers than any other municipality; and
 - (c) note that Council can include information about the Inquiry and the opportunity for residents to participate through its social and print media.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCIL RESOLUTION (PROCEDURAL)

Moved: Councillor Wade

Seconded: Councillor Mohamud

That the meeting be extended for a further 30 minutes.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. 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 66(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 2020. In accordance with that Act, Council may resolve to consider these issues in open or closed session.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Councillor Mohamud

Seconded: Councillor Stone

1. That the meeting be closed to members of the public, in accordance with section 66(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 2020, to allow consideration of confidential information:
 - (a) council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released.

Item

14.1 Open Space Network Opportunities

This item is to be considered in closed session to allow consideration of personal information, being information which if released would result in the unreasonable disclosure of information about any person or their personal affairs.

These grounds are applicable because the report contains the views of individuals expressed on a confidential basis during a compulsory conference under the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal Act 1998.

14.2 Sale of Crown Allotment 2022, Part 433 Smith Street, Fitzroy

This item is to be considered in closed session to allow consideration of private commercial information, being information provided by a business, commercial or financial undertaking that relates to trade secrets or if released, would unreasonably expose the business, commercial or financial undertaking to disadvantage.

These grounds are applicable because the report contains information that has been submitted on a commercial in confidence basis as part of a competitive grant application process.

14.3 Notice of Motion No.6 of 2024 – Minutes of the 12 December 2023 and 13 February 2024

This item is to be considered in closed session to allow consideration of personal information, being information which if released would result in the unreasonable disclosure of information about any person or their personal affairs.

These grounds are applicable because the report contains the views of individuals expressed on a confidential basis during a compulsory conference under the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal Act 1998.

CALL FOR A DIVISION

For: Councillors Crossland, Glynatsis, Landes, Mohamud, O'Brien, Stone and Wade

Against: Nil

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

Conclusion

The meeting concluded at 11.17pm.

Confirmed Tuesday 18 June 2024

Mayor