I, Councillor Ogy Simic, give notice that I intend to move the Motion outlined below at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 01 November 2017:

That Council:-

1. Installs a community flag pole in a prominent location within the vicinity of each of the South Melbourne Town Hall, Port Melbourne Town Hall and St Kilda Town Hall.

2. Develops a simple and accessible policy to govern the flying of flags on community flag poles at Council’s Town Halls with a mechanism for Council or a delegate to consider approval of requests for flying of flags.

Supporting Information

The exterior flagpoles at Council’s Town Halls at South Melbourne, Port Melbourne, and St Kilda are currently primarily reserved for flying a combination of the Australian National Flag, the Australian Aboriginal Flag and the Torres Strait Islander Flag. A protocol applies for those flagpoles.

The addition of a community flag pole at each of Council’s Town Halls provides an opportunity for flags of significance to the multicultural and diverse Port Phillip community to be flown without necessitating the removal of any existing flags. This will allow Council to work more closely with its multicultural and diverse community, for example to celebrate days of significance and promote diversity and inclusion.

Estimated costing of an off the shelf flag pole is around $500 - $600, depending upon its length. Similarly, installation varies according to the type of footing used and could range from a few hundred dollars to $1500. According to these estimates an upper end budget of $6300 is required for purchase and installation of three flag poles.