



**ORDINARY
MEETING OF
COUNCIL**

MINUTES

25 FEBRUARY 2008

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE PORT PHILLIP CITY COUNCIL HELD ON 25 FEBRUARY, 2008 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, ST KILDA TOWN HALL.

The meeting opened at 6.05pm.

PRESENT

Cr Cribbes (Chairperson), Cr Bolitho, Cr Gross (from 6.08pm), Cr Klepner, Cr Logan, Cr Sait, David Spokes Chief Executive Officer, Sally Calder Executive Director Organisation Systems & Support, Geoff Oulton Executive Director City Development, David Yeouart Executive Director Community Assets & Services, George Borg Manager City Development, Anita Lange Acting Manager Special Projects, Carol Mayell Manager Community Development, Phillip Beard Senior Urban Planner.

In the spirit of Reconciliation, the Chairperson acknowledged the people and elders of the Eastern Kulin Nation, who have traditional connections and responsibilities of the land on which Council meets.

1. APOLOGIES

MOVED Crs Logan/ Klepner

An apology was received and leave of absence granted to Cr Ray.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MOVED Crs Klepner/Sait

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Port Phillip City Council held on 29 January 2008 be confirmed.

That the Minutes of the Statutory Planning Committee Meeting of the Port Phillip City Council held on 7 February 2008 for noting by Council (previously circulated to Councillors be noted).

**It was noted that Cr Klepner would like to make a minor amendment to the minutes of the 7 February 2008 to include her vote and that of Cr Sait's vote against the recommendation in relation to Item B1 – Triangle Site Development Plan.

That the Minutes of the Statutory Planning Committee Meeting of the Port Phillip City Council held on 11 February 2008 (Meeting cancelled. No minutes to confirm).

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

3. PETITIONS AND JOINT LETTERS

Item 1

A Petition was received from 33 residents in relation to the resurfacing of Malakoff Street, East St Kilda.

The Petition states the following:

'We, the undersigned residents and ratepayers of Malakoff Street, St Kilda East, wish to express our dismay at the state of our newly resurfaced road, Less than two months old, by any measure this is an appalling piece of road making. Apparently laid down over the existing 'lumps and bumps', it is now a patchy, sticky, stony mess through which tar seeps sticking to car tyres and footwear alike'.

Cr Gross arrived at the meeting at 6.08pm.

Cr. Bolitho asked the Executive Director Community Assets & Services to speak to the matter raised in the Petition.

'David Yeouart, Executive Director Community Assets & Services responded by stating that since we have received the Petition, Council has investigated the problem and we believe that its predominantly because of the prolonged hot weather, we had a problem in that street. We sent letters consequently to everyone in the street to say what we are doing about it and individually to those who signed the petition. We are keeping inspections on the street. We are sweeping the street much more regularly as in Wednesday, Thursday and Friday'.

4. SEALING SCHEDULE

The following documents are submitted for signature and sealing:

TRANSFER OF LAND between PORT PHILLIP CITY COUNCIL and JOHN DOUGLAS SALLOWS, for the sale & transfer of land (right of way) abutting 28 Alfred Street, South Melbourne.

Item previously considered by Council in August 2007.

<i>Councillor Note</i>	<i>14 February 2007</i>
<i>Advertising</i>	<i>5 June 2007</i>

Responsible Executive Director: David Yeouart, Executive Director Community Assets and Services.

TRANSFER OF LAND between PORT PHILLIP CITY COUNCIL and CHARLES RICHARD PALFREY and CHRISTOPHER ROBERT PALFREY, for the sale & transfer of land (right of way) abutting 49 Vale Street, St Kilda.

Item previously considered by Council in March 2007.

<i>Councillor Note</i>	<i>6 September 2006</i>
<i>Advertising</i>	<i>23 January 2007</i>

Responsible Executive Director: David Yeouart, Executive Director Community Assets and Services.

MOVED Crs Logan/Sait

That the Common Seal of the Port Phillip City Council be affixed to the above documents.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

Item 1

A copy of the Confidential List of Registered Correspondence for the Mayor and Councillors between the month of 24 January 2008 and 19 February 2008 is attached for information.

**No formal discussion ensued on this matter.*

6. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Item 1

Helen Halliday asked the following question:

'In relation to resolution passed on 7 February 2008 and in particular I was wondering whether there is any table which would show the caps which would relate to the various uses in the various buildings in the Triangle site. I asked this because it was a recommendation that was passed at the 13 December 2007 meeting of the Council about the conditions under which the Triangle site could be considered and it appears to me just by reading that there is a lot of uses which don't have any square meter allowed for them or caps in relation to the allocation of uses for buildings.'

'David Spokes, Chief Executive Officer responded by stating that the information will be provided at the time that the development plan is being considered for endorsement so that when the information is available it will certainly be made public. But it may be some time before this is the case.'

Helen Halliday asked a further follow up question:

'It would appear then that the resolution of the Council on 13 December 2007 has not been part of the resolution that actually went forward on 7 February 2008. Is that correct?'

'David Spokes, Chief Executive Officer responded by stating that the information regarding the caps and those arrangements will be provided as soon as it is available and it is partly the issue that needs to be finalised with the endorsement of the development plan. At the moment it is not available for public comment.'

Item 2

Michael Sabada asked the following question

'I noted that the Council has released its second report on the South Melbourne Town Hall and I have 2 questions relating to that.

- 1. When will the contents of the draft lease agreement provided to the Academy of Music be made available for public comment?*
- 2. Considering the cost of drawing up the commercial lease, what confidence does the council have that ANAM will have sufficient funding for extending the western wing of the South Melbourne Town Hall'.*

'Carol Mayell, Manager Community Development responded by stating that the conditions in the lease are those that the Council has signed off on in July 2007. These conditions are required in any lease arrangement with the Academy. They are not able to be released at this time until ANAM has considered them. These discussions that we will have with the Academy will be reported back to Council. These conditions will be made public but not until Council has had initial discussion with ANAM on their lease agreement.'

Mr Sabada asked a further follow up question:

'Does that mean you will make the contents of the lease before the council approves it public?'

'Carol Mayell, Manager Community Development responded by stating that the Councillors will be briefed on that and there will be a decision made at that stage about when they might be considered to be public information. But certainly it has to go through a public process at Council before it is approved. And the other question in relation to funding for ANAM – their capacity to sign an agreement to lease indicates their ability to meet the commercial requirements of the lease'.

7. COUNCILLOR QUESTION TIME

Nil.

8. PRESENTATION OF REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM S86 SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

8(A) REPORTS OF THE STRATEGY AND POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE HELD AT THE ST KILDA TOWN HALL ON 4 FEBRUARY 2008

The following items were MOVED in block by Crs Gross/Logan:

- A1 AMENDMENT C57 (PART 2) – CONSIDERATION OF SUBMISSIONS
- A2 AMENDMENT C69 – UPDATE OF PROVISIONS
- A3 CITY OF PORT PHILLIP PROPERTY STRATEGY
- A4 PROPOSED DISCONTINUANCE AND SALE OF SECTIONS OF THE RIGHT OF
WAY AT THE REAR OF 180 & 184 CARLISLE ST, ST KILDA
- A5 PROPOSED DISCONTINUANCE AND SALE OF A SECTION OF RIGHT OF WAY
AT THE REAR OF 120 PRINCES ST, PORT MELBOURNE
- A6 SOUTH MELBOURNE MARKET - ACTIVITIES REPORT
- A7 QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT AND KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR
REPORT
- A8 MID YEAR BUDGET 2007/2008

A1 AMENDMENT C57 (PART 2) - CONSIDERATION OF SUBMISSIONS

Purpose

That Council consider all submissions received to Amendment C57 (Part 2) to the Port Phillip Planning Scheme, and resolve a position on each.

MOVED Crs Gross/Logan

That Council having considered the recommendation of the Strategy and Policy Review Committee resolve to:

- a) Request that the Minister for Planning appoint an independent Panel to review submissions to the amendment in accordance with Part 8 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.
- b) Refer all submissions, and any late submissions received, to the Panel to be appointed by the Minister for Planning.
- c) Inform all submitters of Council's decision.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

A2 AMENDMENT C69 – UPDATE OF PROVISIONS

Purpose

Council resolve to seek a Section 20(4) Exemption from the Minister for Planning.

MOVED Crs Gross/Logan

That Council having considered the recommendation of the Strategy and Policy Review Committee resolve to:

- a) Endorse the changes to the Port Phillip Planning Scheme proposed as part of Amendment C69 (as outlined in Attachment 1).
- b) Request the Minister for Planning to process Amendment C69 to the Port Phillip Planning Scheme, pursuant to section 20(4) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987.
- c) Authorise the Executive Director, City Development and Planning to finalise the amendment documentation for submission to the Minister in association with the amendment request.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

A3 CITY OF PORT PHILLIP PROPERTY STRATEGY

Purpose

To update Council on the property strategy.

MOVED Crs Gross/Logan

That Council having considered the recommendation of the Strategy and Policy Review Committee resolve to:

1. The Property Strategy lay on the table for an additional cycle to enable further conversation with Council and any community input.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

A4 PROPOSED DISCONTINUANCE AND SALE OF SECTIONS OF THE RIGHT OF WAY AT THE REAR OF 180 & 184 CARLISLE ST, ST KILDA

Purpose

This report is finalise the discontinuance and sale of sections of Right of Way at the rear 180 & 184 Carlisle St, St Kilda.

MOVED Crs Gross/Logan

That Council having considered the recommendation of the Strategy and Policy Review Committee resolve to:

1. The statutory procedures to discontinue the section of Right of Way at the rear of 180 & 184 Carlisle St, St Kilda, be completed. That the land from the road be sold to the owners of 180 & 184 Carlisle St, St Kilda, subject to the land being consolidated to the property.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

A5 PROPOSED DISCONTINUANCE AND SALE OF A SECTION OF RIGHT OF WAY AT THE REAR OF 120 PRINCES ST, PORT MELBOURNE

Purpose

This report is to finalise the discontinuance and sale of a section of Right of Way rear 120 Princes St, Port Melbourne.

MOVED Crs Gross/Logan

That Council having considered the recommendation of the Strategy and Policy Review Committee resolve to:

1. The statutory procedures to discontinue the section of Right of Way at the rear of 120 Princes St, Port Melbourne, be completed. That the land from the road be sold to the owners of 120 Princes St, Port Melbourne, subject to the land being consolidated to the property.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

A6 SOUTH MELBOURNE MARKET - ACTIVITIES REPORT

Purpose

Periodic report on the activities of the South Melbourne Market.

MOVED Crs Gross/Logan

That Council having considered the recommendation of the Strategy and Policy Review Committee resolve to:

1. Council notes this report on the business of the South Melbourne Market Management Committee for the year ended 30 June 2007.
2. Council notes the Market's operational performance with regard to permanent Stallholder occupancy levels (Attachment 1) and visitor counts (Attachment 2) for the past five years.
3. Council notes the credit management and financial performance of the Market (Attachment 3 – Confidential) with regard to debtor levels and operating performance.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

A7 QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT & KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR REPORT

Purpose

Update Council on the Quarterly Financial Report and the Key Performance Indicator Report from the CEO.

MOVED Crs Gross/Logan

That Council having considered the recommendation of the Strategy and Policy Review Committee resolve to:

1. The Quarterly Financial Report from the CEO detailing Council's financial performance for the six months ended 31 December 2007 be adopted.
2. The Key Performance Indicator Report from the CEO detailing Council's performance for the three months ended 31 December 2007 be adopted.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

A8 MID YEAR BUDGET 2007/2008

Purpose

To provide a report to Council on the proposed mid year budget changes highlighted from a review of Council's performance to end of December 2007.

MOVED Crs Gross/Logan

That Council having considered the recommendation of the Strategy and Policy Review Committee resolve to:

1. Council adopt the 2007/08 mid year budget forecast as outlined in the body of this report and Attachments 1 and 2, and approve the favourable and unfavourable variances as outlined in these Attachments.
2. Council adopt the changes recommended to the Capital Works program as outlined in Attachment 3.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

**8(B) REPORTS OF THE STATUTORY PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD AT THE ST
KILDA TOWN HALL ON 7 FEBRUARY 2008**

Note: Business items B1 was resolved by the Statutory Planning Committee held on 10 December 2007 in accordance with Section 86 of the Local Government Act 1989.

**8(B) REPORTS OF THE STATUTORY PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD AT THE ST
KILDA TOWN HALL ON 11 FEBRUARY 2008**

MEETING CANCELLED.

9. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Nil.

10. ORDERS OF THE DAY

ORDER 1 17 ROBE STREET ST KILDA

Purpose

Partial demolition of existing building and construction of a three level building (plus basement).

MOVED Crs Sait/Gross

That Council suspends Standing Orders to allow members of the public to make verbal submissions in relation to this item.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

The following speakers made a verbal submission in relation to this item:

1. Ross Lloyd
 - *Increase in noise from car park.*
 - *Disturbance at night with lights shining on property.*
 - *The development fails to achieve the constant residential population requirement for the area and fails to achieve the median density housing requirement in the identified growth framework plan.*
2. Margaret Campbell
 - *Pressure on carparking.*
 - *Pedestrian traffic.*
3. Asmira Korajkic
 - *The light will be blocked off from our apartment.*
 - *Oversize for the site and reduction of the number of apartments.*
4. Mrs Marie Pinne
 - *Traffic – there will be extra cars when friends park in the street.*
 - *Residents have been fined.*
5. Michael Henry
 - *Outside 17 Robe Street there is a speed hump which is ignored by motorists*
 - *There is a no entry sign to street, cars speed up as they go through speed hump – this proposal will increase traffic adversely.*
6. Murray Hill
 - *In Robe Street the traffic after hours is reaching saturation level.*
 - *Flaunting of the rules of the roundabout and no entry sign and it is dangerous.*
7. George Kara
 - *Mature trees be planted to screen the building at the rear of our yards.*
 - *Reduction in the number of apartments and have them 2 bedroom apartments.*
 - *The lane access to Clyde Street.*
8. Bruce Butler
 - *The overshadowing of the development will cause an obstruction to light into my apartment.*
 - *Cars cruising up and down the street with additional parking required as a result of the development.*

9. Kel Twite (Applicant)
- *Overshadowing - shadows do not strike the balconies of the building until 5.00 pm in the afternoon.*
 - *Landscaping – no impact on neighbouring trees.*
 - *Traffic – car parking available for all residents on site.*
 - *Noise – the garage door is a panel lift door not a roller shutter. There is a reasonable expectation of noise from residents and it is a neighbourhood amenity issue.*
10. Sam Voukelatos
- *Overlooking – our rooms face directly to the building, are they going to be screened?*
 - *Accidents to cars parking in Clyde street – it is not easy to turn left.*
 - *Not enough car parks.*
 - *Too many apartments on the land.*

MOVED Crs Sait/Gross

That Council resume Standing Orders.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

MOVED Cr Gross/Bolitho – SUBSTANTIVE MOTION

That the Responsible Authority, having caused the application to be advertised and having received 26 objections is of the opinion that the development of the land for the purposes of the part demolition of the existing building and construction of a three storey building, comprising a total of 30 dwellings with basement car parking will not cause material detriment to any person.

That a Notice of Decision to Grant a Permit be issued for the development of the land for the part demolition of the existing building and construction of a three storey building, comprising 30 dwellings with basement car parking generally in accordance with the endorsed plans.

That the decision be issued as follows:

1. Before the development starts, amended plans and elevations 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 the permit. The plans must be generally in accordance with the plans submitted to Council (Ascu Edwards Architects, TP-01a to TP-20a inclusive) but modified to show the following:
 - (a) A decrease of the proposed front fence height from 1.8m to 1.5m.
 - (b) The arched fence to the laneway as having a simpler treatment, preferably transparent expressed steel.
 - (c) Appropriate splay of the fence at the southern end of the basement entrance along with clear signage on the ground and on endorsed plans under this permit and any subdivision permit, that car spaces 29 & 30 be noted for small cars only, all to the satisfaction of Council's Traffic Engineer.

- (d) A schedule of external materials and colours, including samples (glass and otherwise), all in a form capable of being endorsed and placed on Council's file.
- (e) The installation of noise baffling on the motor of the automated garage door of the basement entrance.

Once approved, these plans become the endorsed plans under this permit.

2. The development as shown on the endorsed plans must not be altered without the written consent of the Responsible Authority.
3. Once the development has started it must be continued and completed to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.
4. All external materials finishes and paint colours are to be to the satisfaction of the responsible authority and must not be altered without the written consent of the Responsible Authority.
5. No buildings or works shall commence until a landscape plan prepared by a suitably qualified and experienced person or firm has been submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority. Landscaping in accordance with this approved plan and schedule shall be completed before the building is occupied. Landscaping in accordance with this approved plan and schedule shall be completed before the building is occupied.
6. No equipment, services and architectural features other than those shown on the endorsed plans shall be permitted above the roof level of the building unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Responsible Authority.
7. Any plant and equipment proposed on the roof of the building must be screened in a manner to complement the appearance of the building to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.
8. Outdoor lighting must be designed, baffled and located to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority to prevent any adverse effect on adjoining land.
9. Prior to the commencement of the development hereby permitted the applicant must demonstrate how environmentally-positive features will be incorporated into the development where possible, to the satisfaction of the responsible authority following consultation with Council's ESD officer via completion of either an appropriate STEPS assessment or a written Sustainability Statement of the various approaches to sustainability matters included in the development.
10. The car parking areas and accessways as shown on the endorsed plans shall be formed to such levels so that they may be used in accordance with the plan, and shall be properly constructed, surfaced, drained and line-marked. The car park and driveways shall be maintained to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

11. Before commencement of the works, a construction management plan must be prepared, including a works program, with the objective of minimising the impact of construction works on the nearby residential properties to the satisfaction of the responsible authority. The plan must specify the means of reducing the construction impact (at the cost of the applicant) of dust and noise on the nearby properties, and must provide that hours of work be in accordance with any relevant Local Law.
12. Prior to the commencement of the development, and in addition to the documentation submitted during the application process, a Waste Management Plan based on the draft "Best Practice Guidelines for Kerbside Recycling at Multi-Occupancy Residential Developments (Sustainability Victoria June 2006) must be prepared by a Waste Management Engineer or Waste Management Planner to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority and endorsed as part of this permit. The Plan must include reference to the following:
 - The estimated garbage and recycling generation volumes for the whole development.
 - The garbage and recycling equipment to be used and the collection service requirements, including the frequency of collection.
 - No private garbage collection between 10.00pm – 6.00am.
 - The location of, proximity, screening of and space allocated both to the garbage and recycling storage areas and collection points.
 - The path of access for both users and collection vehicles.
 - How noise, odour and litter will be managed and minimised.
 - Approved facilities for washing bins and storage areas.
 - Who is responsible for each stage of the waste management process.
 - How tenants and residents will be regularly informed of the waste management arrangements.
13. During the construction of the buildings and works allowed by this permit, the roads and streets adjacent to the subject land must be kept free of parked or standing vehicles or any other obstruction, including building materials, equipment etc. so as to maintain free vehicular passage to abutting benefiting properties at all times, unless with the written consent of the Responsible Authority.
14. The car parking allocation for this development must be not less than one car space for each one or two bedroom apartment.
15. Before completion of the building allowed by this permit, the permit holder must incorporate Urban Art in the development, in accordance with Council's Urban Art Strategy, viewable from the frontage/public realm, to a value of at least 0.5% of the total building cost of the development to the satisfaction of Council's Urban Art Officer.

16. Prior to the commencement of works a report by a suitably qualified Arborist must be submitted to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority. When approved the report will be endorsed and form part of the permit. The Report must make recommendations including construction works for the protection of neighbouring trees and inclusion of mature trees.
17. This permit will expire if one of the following circumstances applies:
- (a) The development is not started within 2 years of the date of this permit.
 - (b) The development is not completed within 2 years of the date of commencement.

The Responsible Authority may extend the period referred to if a request is made in writing before the permit expires or within three months afterwards.

Permit Notes

This permit does not authorise the commencement of any building construction works. Before any such development may commence, the applicant must apply for and obtain appropriate building approval.

The applicant/owner would provide a copy of this planning permit to any appointed Building Surveyor. It is the responsibility of the applicant/owner and Building Surveyor to ensure that all building development works approved by any building permit is consistent with this planning permit.

The developer shall show due care in the development of the proposed works so as to ensure that no damage is incurred to any adjoining properties.

Except in the case of an emergency, a builder must not carry out building works outside the following times, without first obtaining a permit from Council's Local Laws Section:

- *Monday to Friday: 7.00am to 6.00pm; or*
- *Saturdays: 9.00am to 3.00pm.*

An after hours building works permit cannot be granted for an appointed public holiday under the Public Holidays Act, 1993.

MOVED Cr Klepner – AMENDMENT (inclusion of new condition 1 (e))

Amending the plans to reduce number of apartments to allow the provision of visitor parking in accordance with the planning scheme.

The MOTION LAPSED for want of a SECONDER.

A vote was taken and the SUBSTANTIVE MOTION which was MOVED by Crs Gross/Bolitho was CARRIED.

MOVED Crs Sait/Bolitho – MOTION ARISING

1. A report be prepared for council reviewing traffic management in the Acland/Robe Street area, including consideration of a one way system from Robe to Clyde Street.
2. A report be prepared re lighting and appropriate signage for the laneway (Robe and Clyde between) given that it will be a shared laneway for pedestrians and drivers.

A vote was taken and the MOTION ARISING was CARRIED.

ORDER 2 INTEGRATED PLANNING FOR THE ST KILDA ACTIVITY CENTRE

Purpose

To brief Council on the approach to promote orderly planning and cater for the Triangle Site redevelopment in the St Kilda Activity Centre.

MOVED Crs Sait/Bolitho

That Council suspend Standing Orders to allow members of the gallery to make verbal submissions in relation to this item.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

The following speakers made a verbal submission in relation to this item:

1. Helen Halliday
 - *Which figures is the Council using when looking at its retail strategy?*
 - *Could the officers of the Council advise how many meetings have been held with traders associations and what state they are in as opposed to 4 years ago and if anything can be done to resurrect the dead body of the Acland St Traders Assoc. I would like the report in writing.*
2. David Brand
 - *What is the definition of the extent of the activity because in Melbourne 2030 it is loosely defined as Fitzroy/Acland there is no room for development due to heritage constraints in Fitzroy Street?*
 - *How did the Triangle site become included in the extent of the activity area when the area around the St Kilda junction was not included. It seems there is a massive amount of potential development.*
3. John Spierings
 - *As part of the structure plan will there be any work done to look at the internal layout to ensure it actually does a better performance of integrating its activities into Acland and Fitzroy Street.*

MOVED Crs Sait/Bolitho

That Council resume Standing Orders.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

MOVED Crs Bolitho/Sait

1. That the Council note the proposed approach to plan and manage activity in the wider St Kilda Activity Centre as outlined in this report and endorse the St Kilda Activity Centre planning and management framework as outlined in Section 2.8 as the basis for planning and scoping work plans and budget for the next 3 years.
2. That the St Kilda Activity Centre Structure Plan and specific and adequate resources to improve liveability in the precinct be referred to the 08/09 budget bid for the strategic planning work plan.

3. That in preparing and implementing the program of studies, works and programs outlined in this report, Council officers ensure:
- That appropriate resources are included in future budgets to adequately resource and support this range of initiatives.
 - That Council's holistic 4 pillar approach, considering social, cultural, economic and environmental considerations, be evident in the thinking and actions generated.
 - That relevant Council policies and strategies be considered and implemented through this range of initiatives.
 - The engagement of relevant businesses, residents, visitors, organisations and other stakeholders is integrated into the preparation and delivery of this improvement work.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

11. REPORTS BY COUNCILLOR DELEGATES APPOINTED TO OTHER BODIES

Item 1

The Mayor, Cr Cribbes presented the following Delegate Report on 'Essential Mayors Weekend':

'I provide here a report on my attendance at the "Essential Mayors Weekend 2008" a training event convened by the VLGA.

The event was held on the weekend of 1st February to 3rd February at The Country Place, Kalorama and was attended by 33 mayors of Victoria representing approximately 40% of Victorian local governments. The cost of the training event was \$1,540 paid from Council's training budget.

The program covered:

- The role of the Mayor.*
- Issues for State Government – Minister Richard Wynne and Opposition Spokesperson Ken Smith.*
- Local sustainability accord.*
- Effective Mayor/CEO relationships.*
- Conflict management and resolution.*
- Major issues management.*
- Council meetings procedures and effective chairing.*
- Getting government funding.*

The program was delivered through a combination of lectures, interactive workshops and exercises.

Of particular interest and benefit to me in any first term as a mayor were the following opportunities:

- The essential challenges of a focus on outcomes for local government – this was forcefully advocated by the experienced CEO Phillip Shanahan (Corangamite, Broadmeadows, Darebin)*
- Approaches to defining the intersecting roles of CEO and mayor*
- The worthiness of developing a mayoral job description*
- The necessity to better define the delegation of the CEO's appraisal committee*
- Approaches to the options by a chair of a casting vote*
- 5 generic approaches for handling conflict*

I will continue to explore these opportunities as they apply to City of Port Phillip council and with officers.

Another beneficial aspect of the training was the opportunity afforded to compare Port Phillip with other local government areas, to network and to explore ideas. Working with the Mayor of Bayside we have opportunities to fix the Head Street hoons issue – problem with a car park on the border of Bayside and Port Phillip.

Discussion with the Mayor of Boroondara on asset renewals by major category provides me with greater perspective on our infrastructure challenges.

Discussion with various mayors on business management reveals opportunities for this council to streamline its approach.

Finally I have established a number of relationships with Mayors (Yarra, Bayside, Boroondara, Wellington and Horsham) which provide a value network for the future.

In conclusion I found the training valuable and rewarding and I recommend that anyone preparing themselves for mayoral duties consider this service'.

****Cr. Bolitho thanked the Mayor for her report.**

Item 2

Cr. Klepner congratulated the incoming Rudd Government on the apology to the Stolen Generations and thought it would be appropriate to pass a resolution.

MOVED Crs Klepner/Gross

Council congratulates the incoming Labour Government on its 'Apology to the Stolen Generations' speech that was given in Federal Parliament on 13 February 2008.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

12. URGENT BUSINESS

UB1 MELBOURNE'S WATER STORAGE

MOVED Crs Logan/Klepner

That an urgent business item in regards to Melbourne's Water storage be considered at this meeting.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

MOVED Cr Logan/Klepner

Given the continuing low level of Melbourne's water storage and the impact of clear-felling on water yield, Port Phillip Council acknowledges:

- The principled decision of the State Government to cease logging in water catchments of the Otways.
- The resolutions of Yarra Ranges Shire Council and Bayside City Council calling for the cessation of logging in Melbourne's water catchments.

In resolving to:

- Oppose logging of Melbourne's water catchments, and
- Inform the Minister of Water in relation to this matter.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

MOVED Crs Sait/Gross

That the meeting be closed to members of the gallery in accordance with Section 89 2 (d) of the Local Government Act 1989.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.

13. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

**ORDER 3 ST KILDA TRIANGLE DEVELOPEMENT (COMMERCIAL ISSUES) –
CONFIDENTIAL ITEM**

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Confirmed: 25 March 2008

Chairperson: _____