



**ORDINARY
MEETING OF
COUNCIL**

MINUTES

19 DECEMBER 2005

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE PORT PHILLIP CITY
COUNCIL HELD ON 19 DECEMBER 2005 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
ST KILDA TOWN HALL**

The meeting opened at 6.01pm.

PRESENT

Cr Bolitho (Chairperson), Cr Cribbes, Cr Gross, Cr Klepner, Cr Logan, Cr Sait, David Spokes Chief Executive Officer, David Graham Executive Director Corporate Management, David Yeouart Executive Director Urban Services, Geoff Oulton Executive Director City Strategy, Sue Wilkinson Manager Planning, Building & Community Health, Bruce Phillips Manager City Strategy, Jo Smale Coordinator Family & Childrens Services, Norm McClelland Governance Advisor.

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

1. APOLOGIES

MOVED CRS Sait/Gross

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 Cribbes/Gross

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Port Phillip City Council held on 28 November 2005 be confirmed.

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Port Phillip City Council held on 8 December 2005.

Minutes of the Statutory Planning Committee Meeting of the Port Phillip City Council held on 12 December 2005 for noting by Council (previously circulated to Councillors).

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

3. PETITIONS AND JOINT LETTERS

Nil.

4. SEALING SCHEDULE

The following document is submitted for signature and sealing:

1. TRANSFER OF LAND between PORT PHILLIP CITY COUNCIL and CAROLYN MARIE FOX, for the sale and transfer of right of way at the rear of 6 Robe Street, St Kilda.

Item previously considered by Council in July 2005.

Responsible Manager: Robert Palmer, Manager Infrastructure and Environment

MOVED Crs Cribbes/Logan

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

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 23 November 2005 and 13 December 2005 is attached for information.

***No formal discussion ensued on this matter.*

6. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Item 1

Adrian Jackson asked the following questions:

1. 'What is Council going to do about getting traffic lights installed at the dangerous intersection on the corner of Liardet Street and Bay Street, Port Melbourne?'

The Executive Director City Development advised that the intersection between Liardet and Bay Street has been under review for a considerable period of time. There has been a variety of analysis done at this intersection and the traffic movements there. It has been determined previously that traffic lights at that intersection would not be the best answer but given that Council has recently installed traffic lights at the intersection of Pickles, Richardson and Liardet Street. At the moment there is no proposal, but Council is continuing to monitor the situation.

2. 'What progress has been made to my question from last month in relation to getting traffic lights installed at the corner of Canterbury Road and Armstrong Street, Middle Park'.

The Executive Director City Development advised that previous Council's have considered a proposal to re-open the median and install a right turn slot and Council's current position is not to support either that access or traffic lights at that location and there is no proposal to review that at the moment.

'Will the current Council consider this proposal?'

The Executive Director City Development advised that there is no proposal before the current Council to consider this proposal.

3. 'Will Council to consider a 24 hour ban on drinking outside licenced premises?'

4. 'What is Council going to do about noisy PA systems at events?'

The CEO advised that the way Council manages PA systems is through the approval process and there are certain conditions attached to permits, they are enforced and monitored appropriately.

'Could they be enforced the weekend before last there was quite considerable noise across Middle Park at approximately 7.30am?'

5. 'Is Council aware that the 112 Tram will not be operating during the Commonwealth Games in March 2006?

The CEO advised that Council has been involved in the development of the traffic management plans and we will be implementing the plans in accordance to agreements that have been entered into. Council is satisfied that appropriate arrangements have been made.

'Could Council look into this and if not operating, ask Yarra Trams to make it operate?

6. 'Is Council aware of Mr Henry Kaye is involved in the Oasis Development which has caused some problems and I have heard a rumour that Mr Henry Kaye is also involved in something at the St Kilda Seabaths that someone else is fronting and he is providing money. Is he a desirable person that we want involved in activities in our City and what can we do about it?'

The Executive Director City Development advised that he has certainly aware of charges being laid against Mr Kaye but I am not aware of any involvement in the St Kilda Seabaths and Council has no direct relationship with him.

7. 'Is Council aware that sometimes social engineering does not work, such as the beautification of Cleve Gardens, the installation of curved seats in Fitzroy Street for an Aboriginal Markets and community housing opposite the Ritz Hotel?'

The Mayor advised that there might be some changes but they involve improvements in public transport around Cleve Gardens.

The CEO advised that at the time the seats were put in place discussions were held with representatives of the Indigenous community about market stalls in that location and possibly in conjunction with the Esplanade Market, if opportunity come up there is provision for that to occur.

8. 'Could the hideous rubbish bin sitting in the middle of Cleve Gardens be put on the corner?'

Manager City Works and Services to investigate the removal of the bin.

9. 'Could Council remove the monument in Cleve Gardens?'

The CEO advised that in terms of the monument, that was part of commitments entered into with users of the park and there are no plans to change that.

Item 2

Teresa Warren made the following comments:

I would like to congratulate everybody on a marvelous job this year, you have all worked under extreme difficulties at times. Darren Ray's speech regarding the skate park was one of his best.

Unfortunately I was unable to make the Special council meeting on 8 December and therefore request that I be sent the speeches from this meeting.

I would also like to congratulate the Council on putting the ban on the pub crawl with individuals dressed up as santa, as it caused great distress to adults and children in particular in the area of Emerald Hill Court.

Finally I would like to wish you all a very merry xmas and a happy, safe new year and enjoy your break. I look forward to catching up with you all next year.

7. COUNCILLORS QUESTION TIME

Nil.

8. PRESENTATION OF REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

8(A) REPORTS OF THE STRATEGY AND POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE HELD AT THE ST KILDA TOWN HALL ON 5 DECEMBER 2005

The following items were MOVED in block by Crs Sait/Klepner

- A2 COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME - ANNUAL REVIEW
- A3 OLDER PERSONS CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (OPCC) ANNUAL REPORT
- A4 MAKING MELBOURNE MORE LIVABLE - ADOPTION OF INNER MELBOURNE ACTION PLAN (IMAP)
- A5 PLANNING DELEGATION
- A7 NAMING OF A LANE OFF WILLIAM STREET, EAST ST KILDA
- A8 PROPOSED DISCONTINUANCE OF RIGHT OF WAY NO. R3495, PROPOSED SALE OF DRAINAGE RESERVE & PROPOSED ROAD DISCONTINUANCE OF SECTIONS OF K04MITS01 & K04SHES07.

Items were considered in the following order:

- A1 CHILDREN'S SERVICES BEST VALUE REVIEW
- A6 LOCAL LAW - OPEN CONTAINERS OF ALCOHOL

A1 CHILDREN'S SERVICES BEST VALUE REVIEW

Purpose

To present the report of the Childrens Services Best Value Review Panel, and the organisational response and implementation plan, to the Strategy and Policy Review Committee.

MOVED Crs Sait/Gross

That Standing Orders be suspended to allow for verbal submissions.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

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

- Rachel Paving
- Francis Grey
- Nette Aiken-Petersen
- Adrian Jackson

MOVED Crs Sait/Gross

That Standing Orders be resumed.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

MOVED Crs Sait/Gross

1.1 That Council:

- 1.1.1 Receives the findings of the Independent Panel for the Best Value Review of Children's Services, noting the Report includes a revised Childcare Policy
- 1.1.2 Adopts the revised policy at its meeting of 30 January 2006 in accordance with the policy outlined in clause 1.6.
- 1.1.3 Receives the management implementation plan as presented and adopts it "in principle" subject to the ratification of the proposed Childcare Policy
- 1.1.4 Notes that the implementation plan will be subject to ongoing variation following adoption of the Childcare policy and in response to changing circumstances and information.

1.2 Council thanks the Chair, Mr Ches Baragwanath and external experts, Ms Vicki Davidson and Dr. Kylie Smith for their work.

1.3 Council notes the significant contributions from the community to the consideration of the issues affecting the viability of childcare services in the CoPP.

1.4 Council support the significant contribution by Council and its Officers in both providing and supporting quality affordable childcare services and their efforts to achieve a significant expansion of places to address the recognised shortage of childcare places in the in the municipality.

- 1.5 Council notes the many in-kind contributions of members of the community to the operation and maintenance of not for profit childcare services in CoPP and the importance of childcare as a meeting point in building and enhancing community in CoPP.
- 1.6 That Council notes that the adoption of a new child care policy will, as per Council's normal governance practice, lay on the table for a full cycle, to provide the opportunity for community awareness and response, and come before Council for final endorsement at the Council meeting in January.
- 1.7 Council notes that the Best Value Panel has identified that there is a childcare supply problem in the City of Port Phillip and that the current policy and service model needs to change if this problem is to be addressed. The Panel has recommended that a revised policy is required if Council is to achieve its three objectives of more places, quality affordable care and a mixed sector.
- 1.8 Council notes the panel's agreement that further detailed work needs to be undertaken, to fully explore the funding and financial implications of the new policy framework. Council therefore requests that a progress report is presented in the March cycle, outlining the financial and funding implications of the proposed arrangements prior to any action to implement such changes.
- 1.9 Council also requests that as a part of this progress report, it receives a formal update of the status of the current 450 places (other than Council), which are currently at various stages along the planning continuum.
- 1.10 Council notes that a detailed business plan will be developed by May 2006, in time to inform the 2006/07-budget process and that no changes to the current operations of Council or community child care centres will take place before Council has endorsed the final budget in June 2006.
- 1.11 Council further notes that that the budget process will provide an opportunity for an annual evaluation of the impacts of any changes to child care on affordability and quality, and for any necessary modifications to the proposed implementation schedule, which may be required to achieve Council's objectives of affordability, quality, access and a mixed sector.

1.12 In the interim Council reaffirms the following key commitments:

1.12.1 The immediate feasibility testing and tender and evaluation process to deliver a minimum of 90 places new places, at the Pickles Street site.

1.12.2 Council approves the revised Children's Services Capital Works – 5 Year Plan - Draft 19 December 2005 (Attachment 3) and further

1.12.2.1 Council endorses the revised 2005/2006 Capital Works Budget for Children's Services as follows, noting the addition of the following projects:

- Clark St Children's Centre, Port Melbourne
- Eildon Rd Children's Centre, St Kilda.

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Sub -total \$1,440 million

Council notes that the new projects will be funded by re-allocation of funding within the previously approved 2005/2006 budget of \$1.440 million.

1.12.2.2 Council approves the following projects for the 2006/2007 Capital Works Budget:

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MOVED Crs Klepner/Cribbes – AMENDMENT to Part 1.1.2.

- 1.1.2 Will consider adoption of a revised policy at its meeting of 30 January 2006 in accordance with the policy outlined in clause 1.6.

A vote was taken and the AMENDMENT WAS LOST (using the Chairpersons Casting Vote).

MOVED Crs Klepner/Cribbes – AMENDMENT to Part 1.1.3.

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A vote was taken and the SUBSTANTIVE MOTION was CARRIED.

A2 COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME - ANNUAL REVIEW

Purpose

Report on the outcome of the minor review of council's annual community grants scheme and recommend changes.

MOVED Crs Sait/Klepner

- 1.1. That Council endorses the following priorities for the 2006/07 Community Grants Program:

Council is seeking applications to the Community Grants Scheme for projects that support diversity, community participation and contribute to the building of healthy and strong communities with a broad range of initiatives that:

- Are new and innovative.
- Promote and support volunteerism as an integral part of wellbeing and active citizenship.
- Increase the participation of and inclusion of communities who may be marginalised, disadvantaged or have special needs.
- Increase the participation of and inclusion of disengaged communities (geographic communities or communities of interest).
- Support environmental sustainability.
- Address issues of food security ie. Access for all people to regular healthy and nutritious meals.
- Improve the health and well being of all residents and particularly those living in public or community housing, supported residential services, rooming houses and aged care facilities.
- Promote reconciliation with Port Phillip's Indigenous communities.
- Support the shared interests of different generations eg. Grandparents and grand children.
- Increase participation of the community in recreation and physical activity.
- Support and strengthen the capacity of local community organisations and groups.
- Demonstrate multi-agency or a group partnership in program planning and delivery.
- Extraordinary – This priority is for initiatives that are extraordinary in nature ie may be for research oriented projects or projects that are new or still in developmental / pilot phase.

- 1.2. That the council endorses the proposal for the Community Grants Scheme from 2006/07 to be structured into the following three new categories:
- **Social Support:** This category will make it easier for organisations (particularly our multicultural groups and seniors groups) applying for a contribution towards their activities that are not necessarily project based. There is a separate application form for this category that is easier and shorter to complete. The total amount of funding available in this category is \$800.
 - **Organisational Capacity Building Strategies for Community Sector:** This category is for organisations to undertake projects that will support and strengthen the capacity of their volunteers in areas related to management, service delivery and on line capacity.
 - **Community Strengthening:** This category is for activities and projects that contribute to the health and well being of the Port Phillip community and are designed to meet local resident need; encourage participation and/or support environmental sustainability.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

A3 OLDER PERSONS CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (OPCC) ANNUAL REPORT

Purpose

Annual Report to Council.

MOVED Crs Sait/Klepner

- 1.1. That Council notes and endorses the attached Older Persons Consultative Committee (OPCC) Annual Report.
- 1.2. That Council endorses the following amended Terms of Reference.

Purpose	The Older Persons Consultative Committee will provide advice to Council and Council officers about policies, plans and services impacting on older people.
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be the peak advisory and advocacy body on wellbeing issues affecting older people (55+) within the Port Phillip municipality • To provide advice to Council officers on policies, plans and services that impact on older people. • To provide advice to Council on policies that impact on older people • To advocate to the Community and Council, on behalf of older people, reflecting the United Nations principles of independence, participation, care, self-fulfilment and dignity • To connect with other community advisory structures of Council • To liaise with other organisations and networks that have a direct interest in older persons in the City of Port Phillip
Policy framework	The committee's work is informed by relevant parts of the Council Plan, the Aged Services Plan and state and federal government policies and plans about services for older people.
Work plan	<p>The committee will hold an Annual Planning Session to review achievements and prioritise a work plan for the coming year.</p> <p>The committee will aim to have each year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one public Forum (at a minimum) per year to gain broader community views on social issues impacting on older residents • at least one guest speaker from Council each year • at least 3 guest speakers from local organisations / service providers <p>The committee may set up Organising Working Groups / Portfolio Groups as required.</p>

<p>Membership</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The committee will consist of:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Up to 13 members appointed by Council, who are individuals reflective of the City's cultural diversity○ A Councillor appointed by the Council.• Members will be appointed for a term of up to two years by Council in November following public advertisement and recommendation by the Committee.• Members completing a two-year term may, with the approval of Council, be reappointed for a further two-year term.• The Selection Criteria are outlined in the Committee Handbook approved by the committee.• The Council will appoint a Chairperson from the members of the Committee, after receiving a recommendation from the committee. The chairperson will serve a renewable one-year term.
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A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

A4 MAKING MELBOURNE MORE LIVABLE - ADOPTION OF INNER MELBOURNE ACTION PLAN (IMAP)

Purpose

To seek Council's adoption of the Inner Melbourne Action Plan (IMAP), which provides an agreed framework for on-going regional collaboration on priority urban planning initiatives for the Inner Region.

MOVED Crs Sait/Klepner

That Council:

- 1.1. Adopt *Making Melbourne More Liveable – Inner Melbourne Action Plan* (IMAP) as amended and dated December 2005. (Refer Attachment 1).
- 1.2. Endorse, in principle, the establishment of a Section 86 Special Committee, pursuant to the *Local Government Act 1989*, to facilitate on-going regional collaboration and the effective implementation of IMAP (Refer Attachment 2).
- 1.3. Seek a further report on the final Governance arrangements, in February 2006, including a final Instrument of Delegation and Terms of Reference for the Section 86 Special Committee, in order to progress its formal constitution.
- 1.4. Authorise the IMAP Technical Working Group to make minor editorial and format changes to the adopted IMAP document (including maps), prior to publication.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

A5 PLANNING DELEGATION

Purpose

This report recommends amendments to the schedule of delegation from Council to members of Council staff for delegation under the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and *Subdivision Act 1988*.

MOVED Crs Sait/Klepner

- 1.1. That Council adopts the amended Schedule of Delegation from Council to members of Council staff as per Attachment 2.
- 1.2. That Council note the changes only relate to the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*, the *Planning and Environment Regulations 2005*, the *Planning and Environment (Fees) Regulations 2000* and Schedule of Officers.
- 1.3. That Council note that the delegation from the Chief Executive Officer to staff to negotiate open space contributions once the permit has been issued has been changed to remove the sliding scale and delegate decisions (both prior to a permit issuing and in negotiation post permit issue) to Council's Subdivision Officer and the Manager – Planning, Building and Community Health.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

**A6 LOCAL LAW - OPEN CONTAINERS OF ALCOHOL
(SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT)**

Purpose

To consider amendment of the Procedures & Protocols Manual under Community Amenity Local Law No. 3 to deal with a range of behavioral issues affecting the local community.

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

- Adrian Jackson
- Teresa Warren

MOVED Crs Cribbes/Logan

To enable conclusion of discussions with the Police to ensure the proposal can be effectively implemented, that consideration of this matter be deferred to the meeting of Council to be held on 30 January 2006.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

A7 NAMING OF A LANE OFF WILLIAM STREET, EAST ST KILDA

Purpose

To conclude the proceedings for naming an un-named lane running off William Street, East St Kilda.

MOVED Crs Sait/Klepner

- 1.1. That Council name the lane running off William Street, East St Kilda, with its entrance between properties 34 & 36, Penny Lane.
- 1.2. That the name refer to the lane from its entrance on William Street to the rear of 44 William Street.
- 1.3. That the lane be signposted as Penny Lane and also as a 'No Through Road' and that access be denied to large vehicles.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

A8 PROPOSED DISCONTINUANCE OF RIGHT OF WAY NO. R3495, PROPOSED SALE OF DRAINAGE RESERVE & PROPOSED ROAD DISCONTINUANCE OF SECTIONS OF K04MITS01 & K04SHES07.

Purpose

Council has received applications to discontinue right of way no's. R3495 and sections of Road No. K04MITS01 & K04SHES07 and sell a Drainage Reserve. This report commences the statutory process for discontinuance and sale.

MOVED Crs Sait/Klepner

- 1.1. Council commences statutory procedures to discontinue and sell Right of Way No. R3495, rear 2, 4 & 6 Blanche Street, St Kilda.
- 1.2. Council commences statutory procedures to sell the Drainage Reserve rear 83 and 85 Montague Street, South Bank.

FURTHER

Regarding the road discontinuances in relation to the Elwood Hub project;

- 1.1. That Council commence statutory procedures to discontinue sections of Road No's. K04MITS01 & K04SHES07 sections of Mitford Street and Shelley Street, Elwood.

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 12 DECEMBER 2005

Note: Business Items B1, B2, B3, B4 and B5 were resolved by the Statutory Planning Committee held on Monday, 12 December 2005, in accordance with Section 86 of the Local Government Act 1989.

Cr Gross advised that it is his intention to MOVE a RESCISSION MOTION at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on Monday, 30 January 2006 in regards to 17 Irwell Street, St Kilda.

Cr Gross will lodge a formal application to be included in the Ordinary Council Meeting Agenda that will be distributed the week prior to the 30 January 2006 Ordinary Meeting of Council.

The following item was MOVED in block by Crs Gross/Sait

B6 DELEGATE REPORT

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Purpose

To present Council with a summary of all Planning Permits issued under Delegation.

MOVED Crs Gross/Sait

That the Council receive and note the report regarding the summary of all Planning Decisions issued in accordance with the Schedule of Delegation made under Section 98 of the Local Government Act 1989 and Section 188 of the Planning & Environment Act 1987 adopted by Council on 24 July 1996 and as amended, for the Port Phillip Planning Scheme.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

9. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Nil.

10. ORDERS OF THE DAY

ORDER 1 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLORS TO INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL COMMITTEES & BODIES

Purpose

Council needs to appoint Councillors to internal and external committees for the coming twelve months.

MOVED Crs Gross/Klepner

Council resolve that the Councillors be appointed to the positions on internal and external committees as indicated below.

1. CITY OF PORT PHILLIP - SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF COUNCILLORS

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	Chairperson
Strategy and Policy Review Committee	All Councillors	Mayor
Statutory Planning Committee	All Councillors	Cr Sait

2. OTHER CITY OF PORT PHILLIP COMMITTEES - GOVERNANCE AND COMPLIANCE

COMMITTEE	Cr positions	Notes
Audit Committee	Mayor	Advises Council on financial reporting, internal controls, risk management and compliance.
Human Resources Committee	Mayor, Cr Logan, Cr Sait	Discusses internal high-level human resources matters
South Melbourne Market Management Committee	Cr Logan, Cr Klepner	Special committee with delegated powers established under Local Government Act s 86; manages South Melbourne Market

3. OTHER CITY OF PORT PHILLIP COMMITTEES - POLICY AND PLANNING

3.1 Policy & Planning - Advisory Committees

COMMITTEE	Cr Positions	Notes
Arts Advisory Committee	Cr Sait	Advises Council on arts policy and the implementation of the Arts Plan from an expert/community perspective.
GLBTI Forum	Cr Gross (Cr Ray alternate)	Advises on development of policies & strategies to promote inclusiveness for GLBTI (Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex) people in all areas of council activity

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COMMITTEE	Cr Positions	Notes
Indigenous Forum	Mayor	Discusses Indigenous issues, advises officers and Council on Indigenous policy
Multicultural Forum	Cr Klepner	Acts as resource for multicultural representatives, ensures effective communication between Council & community
Older Persons Consultative Committee	Cr Klepner	Advice and advocacy about wellbeing issues affecting older people and policies, plans & services impacting on older people
Sustainable Environment Consultative Committee	Cr Cribbes, Cr Bolitho	Provides advice on annual program of topics, complementing Sustainable Environment Strategy
Urban History Consultative Committee	Cr Logan Cr Sait	Advises on local history and heritage services, particularly relationship of services with local history networks; service development incl. Urban History Centre
Young Persons Forum	Cr Cribbes (Cr Logan reserve)	Monthly forum for young people, communication between Council & young people, advises on initiatives & programs

3.2 Policy & Planning - Taskforces and Working Groups

COMMITTEE	Cr Positions	Notes
Accommodation Strategy Task Force	Cr Sait, Cr Gross, Cr Logan	Deals with accommodation strategy (Councillor & staff committee only)
Civic Projects and Citizens of the Year Panel	Cr Logan, Cr Cribbes	Convenes annually to recommend awards
Community Grants Assessment Panel	Cr Klepner, Cr Cribbes	Assesses community grant applications received according to selection criteria, makes recommendation to Council
Elwood family and children's services hub reference group	Cr Cribbes	Discusses Elwood family and children's services hub
External Relations Taskforce	Mayor, Deputy Mayor	Develops strategy to influence government and stakeholders to realise high priority Council projects
Friends of Suai Community Taskforce	Mayor, Cr Sait	Promotes Friends of Suai program across City of Port Phillip, and promotes community links with Suai
South Melbourne Town Hall Redevelopment Community Reference Panel	Cr Logan, Cr Klepner	Short-term group; deals with redevelopment of South Melbourne Town Hall
St Kilda's Edge Committee	Mayor, Cr Gross, Cr Sait	Special committee established under s.86 of the Local Government Act, with delegated powers; facilitates delivery of the St Kilda's Edge project as set out in the Urban Design Framework

4. COUNCIL-APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVES TO EXTERNAL BODIES

BODY	Cr Positions	Notes
Association of Bayside Municipalities	Cr Bolitho	Group of the 10 councils with coastal frontage to Port Phillip Bay
Drugs Round Table	Cr Klepner (Cr Cribbes reserve)	includes representatives from various agencies and services
Eastern Bayside Traffic Monitoring Committee	Mayor	
Healthy & Safer Cities Alliance	Cr Cribbes (Cr Sait reserve)	includes range of agencies, supports implementation of Healthy & Safer Cities Plan, also serves as local priority policing committee
Inner Melbourne Community Road Safety Council	Cr Sait (Cr Logan reserve)	
Inner South Metropolitan Mayors Forum	Mayor	Deputy Mayor acts as backup
Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre Advisory Committee	Cr Logan (Cr Klepner reserve)	
Metropolitan Environment Forum	Cr Bolitho	Forum for councils of greater metropolitan Melbourne to promote action, advocacy, analysis and policy development on environmental issues.
Metropolitan Transport Forum	Cr Gross (Cr Bolitho reserve)	Advocates effective, efficient and equitable transport in metropolitan Melbourne
Municipal Association of Victoria	Cr Gross (Cr Cribbes reserve)	One representative to be appointed to attend MAV state council, plus an alternative representative
Port Phillip Housing Association Inc. Committee of Management	Cr Ray (Cr Cribbes reserve)	Housing Association undertakes property and tenancy management
Regional Housing Working Group	Cr Ray	
Victorian Local Governance Association	Cr Klepner (Cr Sait reserve)	One representative to be appointed.
Western Regional Waste Management Group	Cr Gross	Group of nine Councils facilitating best practice in waste management

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.

11. REPORTS BY DELEGATES (COUNCILLOR) APPOINTED TO OTHER BODIES

Item 1

Cr Gross tabled the final report for the year as the representative on the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV Board). As you know the cities of Darebin, Melbourne, Moreland, Port Phillip and Yarra are represented by me at the MAV Board. The main items discussed were as follows:

The Future of Local Government Summit was held in June 2005 and produced a summary vision as follows: 'Local Government is valued by all Australians for building strong and successful communities'. There was also repeated reference to the need to promote change in the sector. The MAV has now established a Future of Local Government Group (Councillors and CEOs) to explore relevant issues and draft material for consideration by the sector. It is going to be an Advisory group to the MAV and I am the chair. I hope that this will lead to significant recommendations particularly on the issues of regionalisation, especially back office functions and other reforms.

- Rules Review - this a look at our Rules to see if we can improve them. The interesting thing about this project was a map of the history of the MAV. *Over the last 20 years, the MAV has been a place of bloody conflict and betrayal.* The history shows that the MAV has been constantly troubled by battles between rural and metro interests. This has led to break away groups and fights over the rules. There have also been defections and other problems. We are now in quite a benign period. My worry is that Councillors in this region are disengaged from this peak body and that we fail to drive the MAV to take the sector into better and more exciting palces. So this Review is important. Unfortunately I was disappointed with the first draft of the issues paper. It merely rehashed the old debates about rural versus metro and failed to grasp the issue about how we drive reform and how we engage you the unengaged Councillors. So there is much work to do.

Item 2

Cr Gross also tabled items that arose from the Melbourne Transport Forum (MTF) and also advised that David Anderson head of Vic Roads came to the meeting and advised:

- there is a some of \$4mill being made available for pedestrian programmes. They still aren't quite sure how it will be allocated, but pedestrian access in activity centres was mentioned
- his actual words about Plummer St were that there has been funding for final design this year, it is 'almost a commitment' and 'just waiting for a tick from government'
- the only commitment to new roads would be in the outer suburbs, apart from around the port where freight considerations will necessitate new road infrastructure
- that council's that feel the need should make submission in relation to the renegotiation of the bus contracts. Is there any opportunity for us
- The MTF let lay on the table a proposal to significantly increase the membership fees and then use that income to provide a part time secretariat. This would address two issues, to wit, the burden on the Council hosting the Chair and the need to take the MTF to the next step where it has the resources to engage in the transport debate on a day to day basis. I supported and promoted this option as I belief that the Forum is going really well and is needed as another voice in the urban transport debate.

Item 3

Cr Klepner advised that the Victorian Local Government Association has informal meetings 2 months out of 3, so it is really only the third month that they have a formal meeting. Recently, they had a debrief after the recent round of Council elections which should result in ongoing discussion about different electoral modules and the lessons of that process for those that went to election and for others also. So hopefully some material will be distributed for information.

12. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil.

13. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Nil.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 7.28pm.

Confirmed: 30 January 2006

Chairperson: _____