



**STRATEGY AND POLICY  
REVIEW COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

**3 JUNE 2002**

**MINUTES OF THE STRATEGY AND POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE  
OF THE PORT PHILLIP CITY COUNCIL HELD ON 3 JUNE 2002, IN  
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, ST KILDA TOWN HALL**

The meeting opened at 6.05pm.

**PRESENT**

Cr Johnstone (Chairperson), Cr Gross, Cr Hill, Cr Hutchens, Cr Logan, Cr Ray, David Spokes, Chief Executive Officer, Geoff Oulton Director City Development, Sally Calder Director Social and Cultural Development, David Graham Director Governance and Council Services, Stephen O’Kane Director Corporate Development, Stephen Cooper Manager Enforcement and Public Health, David Filmalter Manager Finance, Ian Hicks Manager Culture and Recreation, Heather McKee Manager Social Development, Anita Lange Coordinator Corporate Planning, Paul Smith Senior Traffic Engineer, Ursula Corvan Coordinator Community Access, Beth Sutcliffe Coordinator Childrens Services, Carol Mayell Project Manager Social and Policy, Angela Wallace Service Coordinator Cultural Development.

The Chairperson (Cr Johnstone) acknowledged the traditional owners of the land on which the Council meets, the Boonerwung language people and the Wurundjeri people as custodians.

**1. APOLOGIES**

**MOVED Crs Gross/Hutchens**

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

**A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.**

**2. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**

Nil.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Nil.

**4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**MOVED Crs Hutchens/Ray**

That the Minutes of the Strategy and Policy Review Committee held on 6 May 2002, be confirmed.

**A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.**

## 5. QUESTION TIME (INCLUDING COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS)

### **Item 1**

Cr Hill put forward the following question in relation to Rouse Street and the areas Planning Controls.

*“That Council requests advice as soon as possible on planning outcomes and implications for controls in the Rouse Street Precinct”.*

**\*Manager Planning and Building to investigate and report to Council.**

## 6. PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

The order of business was as follows:

- A9 REDEVELOPMENT AND EXTENSION OF SOUTH MELBOURNE NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE
- A3 BEACONSFIELD PARADE/BEACH STREET – PAID PARKING EXTENSION
- A10 STATUS REPORT – GASWORKS ARTS PARK
- A11 WICKED KIDS FESTIVAL PROPOSAL
- A1 KRA MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
- A2 APPROVAL OF 2002/2006 CORPORATE PLAN
- A4 REVIEW OF OFF-LEASH DOG AREAS
- A5 REVIEW OF "NO ALCOHOL" RESTRICTION ON FORESHORE
- A6 REVIEW OF OLDER PERSONS REFERENCE GROUP
- A7 COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME RECOMMENDATIONS 2002/3
- A8 COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS – REQUEST TO BYPASS COUNCIL SEALING SCHEDULE MEETINGS

**A1            KRA MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

**Purpose**

This report aims to provide Councillors with a summary of the major areas of activity and operational performance as at 26 April 2002 and compares actual performance against forecast.

**MOVED Crs Ray/Hill**

That the monthly management report from the CEO detailing Council's year to date financial and operating performance be received and noted.

**A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.**

**A2 APPROVAL OF 2002/2006 CORPORATE PLAN**

**Purpose**

To provide Council with the opportunity to consider the draft 2002/2006 Corporate Plan.

**MOVED Crs Ray/Logan**

1. Council notes the attached draft Corporate Plan & provides further comments with a view to finalising the Plan at its June 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.
2. Council notes that further aspects of the Corporate Plan still need to be prepared and will be provided to Council in a supplementary report in the June cycle (these include the Mayor's message, CEO's message, 4 year indicators to measure the objectives, a general resource plan & annual Business Plan details including performance targets & measures (this will be based on the selected highlights).
3. That Council thank the staff for the new approach and their efforts.

**A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.**

**A3 BEACONSFIELD PARADE / BEACH STREET - PAID PARKING EXTENSION**

Cr Gross left the meeting at 6.25pm.

Cr Gross returned to the meeting at 6.33pm.

**Purpose**

To consider to installation of paid parking on the foreshore side of Beaconsfield Parade/Beach Street between Pier Road and Bay Street.

**MOVED Crs Ray/Gross**

1. That paid parking be installed on the foreshore side of Beaconsfield Parade/Beach Street between Pier Road and Bay Street to operate between 8am to 12 midnight all year round.
2. That the proposal commence on the 1 November 2002.
3. That associated parking fees be consistent with other foreshore paid parking locations.
4. That specific consultation be conducted with affected residents (predominately Beaconsfield Parade / Beach Street), foreshore business operations on both sides of Beaconsfield Parade and foreshore clubs.
5. That the Port Phillip community be informed by two successive articles in Divercity between September and November 2002.
6. That Officers further consider issues raised in relation to existing principles for paid parking including the utilisation of off-street car parks adjacent to commercial areas and provide advice to Council.
7. Officers further consider and provide advice on potential enforcement and infiltration management options.

**MOVED Cr Hutchens – AMENDMENT to PART 1**

That paid parking be considered for installation following further information on the foreshore side of Beaconsfield Parade/Beach Street between Pier Road and Bay Street to operate between 8am to 12 midnight all year round.

**A vote was taken and the AMENDMENT was LOST.**

**MOVED Crs Ray/Gross – SUBSTANTIVE MOTION**

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**A vote was taken and the SUBSTANTIVE MOTION was CARRIED.**

Cr Hutchens voted against the Substantive Motion.

**A4 REVIEW OF OFF-LEASH DOG AREAS**

**Purpose**

To enable a review of the two 'trial' dog beaches established by the Council during the 2001/02 summer season.

**MOVED Crs Hill/Ray**

1. That the Committee recommends in principle to Council, that Council take no action at this time to amend its Order No. 2 pursuant to s26 of the Domestic (Feral and Nuisance) Animals Act 1994.
2. That Officers be requested to advertise this intention in the local media and through Diversity Weekly and seek further feedback on this matter for consideration by Council at its meeting to be held on 24 June 2002.
3. That the Animal Management Service continue to address examples of ambiguous signage and conflicts between other park uses (e.g. playgrounds and barbecues) and the off leash activities.
4. That further advice be provided regarding the effectiveness of the current bag dispenser systems or alternative strategies.
5. That officers provide further advice with regard to options for a trial of early morning dog off leash areas in appropriate areas of St Kilda Botanical Gardens supported with more vigorous enforcement outside those hours.

**A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.**

**A5 REVIEW OF "NO ALCOHOL" RESTRICTION ON FORESHORE**

**Purpose**

To review the effectiveness and impact of the designated foreshore areas as Alcohol Free Zones under clause 45 of Council's Community Amenity Local Law No. 1.

**MOVED Crs Ray/Logan**

1. That under Clause 45 (1) (a), (b) and (c) of Council's Community Amenity Local Law No.1 Council designate the following foreshore areas for the times and dates detailed
  - For the period from 1 November until 30 March in any year between 9.00pm and 9.00am on the following day, the following foreshore areas:
    - a) the north east boundary of Ormond Esplanade to the north east and the low water mark to the west, extending from Beach Avenue in the north to the municipal boundary at Head Street in the south; and
    - b) the east boundary of Marine Parade in the east and the low water mark in the west, extending from Shakespeare Grove to the north to Thackeray Street to the south.
  - For the period from 1 November until 30 March in any year between 10.00pm and 9.00am on the following day, the following foreshore areas:
    - a) the east boundary of Pier Road to the east and the low water mark to the west, from the intersection with Jacka Boulevard in the south to the intersection with Beaconsfield Parade in the north; and
    - b) the north boundary of Boulevard in the north and the low water mark in the south, extending from Beacon Road in the east to Todd Road in the west including Perc White Reserve.
2. That Council advertise the designated areas in the Government Gazette and daily newspapers as detailed in Council's Procedures and Protocols Manual.

**A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.**

**A6 REVIEW OF OLDER PERSONS REFERENCE GROUP**

**Purpose**

To review the purpose and role of Council's Older Persons Reference Group [OPRG] and to consider and or approve the recommendations.

**MOVED Crs Ray/Logan**

1. That Council endorses the recommendations of the Review of the Older Persons' Reference Group.
2. That Council continue the OPRG as an advisory structure to Council on issues impacting on older people in the municipality for a further two year period.
3. That Council endorse the revised Terms of Reference of OPRG, focusing the OPRG on two key roles, advisory and advocacy.
4. That Council formalize the link of the OPRG to Council through bi-annual reports to Council, tabled by the Councillor representative of the OPRG.
5. That Council consider the Review's recommendation to provide a designated staff capacity to resource the OPRG in addition to the current budget for operations and forums and refer to the budget process.

**MOVED Crs Hill/Gross – AMENDMENT - DELETION of PART 5**

That Council consider the Review's recommendation to provide a designated staff capacity to resource the OPRG in addition to the current budget for operations and forums and refer to the budget process.

**Crs Hill/Gross WITHDREW the AMENDMENT.**

**MOVED Crs Hill/Gross - AMENDMENT to PART 5**

That Council requests further advice from the CEO on the implications of Recommendation No. 5 and further advice regarding the current support for other advisory structures.

**A vote was taken and the AMENDMENT was CARRIED.**

**MOVED Crs Ray/Logan – SUBSTANTIVE MOTION**

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5. That Council requests further advice from the CEO on the implications of Recommendation No. 5 and further advice regarding the current support for other advisory structures.

**A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.**

**A7 COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME RECOMMENDATIONS 2002/2003**

**Purpose**

This report summarizes and lists the deliberations and recommendations of the Community Grants Social, Health and Well Being and Recreation Panels and recommends expenditure of \$159,000 to X community groups.

**MOVED Crs Logan/Gross**

1. That Council notes and endorses the Community Grants Assessment Panel, commends the list of 92 applications by 63 organizations to Council for funding and recommends the Council endorse its decision to fund \$160,000 in accordance with the list attached (Attachment 1).
2. Further that Council allocate \$632.50 to the Migrant Resource Centre from the Administrative Budget of the Civic Recognition and Support Strategy to support the application of multicultural groups.
3. Council monitors the effectiveness of the agreement with the MRC and informs Council of any proposed changes in the context of the 2003/4 Community Grants.
4. That Council formally thank the Community Representatives on the Community Grants Assessment Panel Betty Knight, Allan Stone, Chris Raeburn and Dr Dolly Belsky for their contributions.

**A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.**

Note:

- In the **Key Issues** section of the report item 1.2 - left out the total amount of funds sought by successful applicants. This amounted to \$268,586.
- In the conclusion of the report to Council it was noted that there were 96 successful applications. This is an error and should read 92 consistently with the rest of the report.
- In the report recommendations the following typographical errors were included. Recommendation 14.1 should read applications rather than applicants, and Recommendation 14.4 should read "for their contributions" rather than "the their contributions".

\*Project Manager Social and Policy advise Cr Ray (via email) of the following:

*"Does this represent the lowest number of gay and lesbian and allied applications that Council has ever had in the program to date".*

**A8            COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS - REQUEST TO BYPASS COUNCIL  
SEALING SCHEDULE MEETINGS**

**Purpose**

To streamline the granting of Civic Awards.

**MOVED Crs Gross/Hill**

1. That the Director Governance and Council Services be delegated to affix the Council Seal on the Certificates of Achievement at the written request of the Projects Manager Planning & Policy.
2. That when a Certificate of Achievement is required for a local community organization, the request is processed without reference to the Sealing Schedule.
3. That a report be presented to Council annually in the June meeting cycle for information, listing the recipients of the Community Service Award program for the previous year.

**A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.**

**A9 REDEVELOPMENT AND EXTENSION OF SOUTH MELBOURNE  
NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE**

**Purpose**

To redevelop and extend South Melbourne Neighbourhood House for the purpose of providing additional childcare places.

**MOVED Crs Hutchens/Gross**

That Council accept the South Melbourne Child Care Co-operative's offer of \$100,000 and, through the Capital Works program, provide the additional \$120,000 required to extend the South Melbourne Neighbourhood House thus enabling the South Melbourne Child Care Co-operative to provide an additional 9 EFT childcare places.

**A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED (unanimously).**

**A10 STATUS REPORT - GASWORKS ARTS PARK SOUTHERN SECTION  
MASTERPLAN STAGE 1 WORKS**

**Purpose**

Council consider the Gasworks Masterplan and the provision of additional funds

**MOVED Crs Ray/Gross**

1. Council in-principle commit to providing the funds necessary to complete the 'Administration Building' component of the proposed Masterplan at a total cost of \$250,000.
2. That the total contribution of \$250,000 including;
  - the rollover of uncommitted funds from the 2000/01 and 2001/02 financial years, being an amount totaling \$143,000; and
  - consideration of a further allocation of \$110,000 from the 2002/03 capital works budget.
3. That Council makes its contribution of \$250,000 conditional upon Gasworks Arts Inc;
  - raising and contributing \$70,000 toward the Stage 1 works, and
  - delivering a favourable financial outcome as a result of staging the "2002 Wicked Kids Festival".
4. That a further report be presented to Council in November 2002 prior to commencement of the Stage 1 works.

**A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED (unanimously)**

**A11 WICKED KIDS FESTIVAL PROPOSAL**

**Purpose**

This report provides an overview of the funding proposal submitted by Gasworks Arts Inc. for the 2002 Wicked Kids' Festival.

**MOVED Crs Ray/Gross**

1. That Council is in-principle committed to supporting Gasworks Arts Incorporated in the staging of the 2002 Wicked Kids festival.
2. That the Strategy and Policy Review Committee of Council request from Gasworks Arts Inc. the following information to assist in Councils deliberation over the request for funding–
  - a) A final ticket pricing model that attempts to reduce the entry costs in a manner that will further enhance the opportunity for access by City of Port Phillip residents, low income earners and families;
  - b) A financial contingency model that details GAs ability to adequately monitor and respond to variances between projected and actual income, and demonstrates GAs ability to minimize the risk of incurring an operating loss from the festival;and that the above information be made available in time for Council to make a final decision on this matter at its meeting of June 24 2002.

**MOVED Cr Hutchens – AMENDMENT to PART 2 (a)**

A final ticket pricing model that reduces the entry costs for health and concession card holders residents in the City of Port Phillip.

**A vote was taken and the AMENDMENT was LOST.**

**MOVED Crs Ray/Gross – SUBSTANTIVE MOTION**

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**A vote was taken and the SUBSTANTIVE MOTION was CARRIED.**

## 7. REPORTS BY DELEGATES (COUNCILLOR) APPOINTED TO OTHER BODIES

### Item 1

Cr Gross advised Council that he had some concerns in regards to the cost sifting in relation to certain environmental issues.

**\*Director Environment and Infrastructure to consult with Cr Gross about his concerns.**

### Item 2

Cr Johnstone advised Council that she will be attending the MAV Annual General Meeting on Thursday, 6 June 2002.

Cr Johnstone advised that she intends to nominate for the Inner Region position on the Board.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Confirmed: 1 July 2002

Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_