# **ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL - 20 JULY 2022**



COUNCILLOR REPORT - AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCATION NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

EXECUTIVE MEMBER: KYLIE BENNETTS, GENERAL MANAGER, CITY GROWTH AND

**DEVELOPMENT** 

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# 1. PURPOSE

1.1 To provide an update to Council on Cr Baxter's attendance at the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA), the National General Assembly (NGA).

# 2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2.1 On the 20-22 June 2022 Cr Baxter attended the Australian Local Government Association, the National General Assembly in Canberra at the request of and on behalf of the Mayor of the City of Port Phillip.
- 2.2 In accordance with the Councillor Expenses and Support Policy, Councillors are to provide a written report to Council after attending conferences, seminars and workshops, and a report to an Ordinary Council Meeting within sixty days of returning from interstate travel.
- 2.3 Cr Baxter's report on his attendance at the event is presented at attachment 1.

# 3. RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

3.1 Note the content of the report provided by Cr Tim Baxter.

# 1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Australian Local Government Association is the peak national body of local government, representing 537 councils across the country.
- 1.2 The Association is a federation of state and territory local government associations. The City of Port Phillip is a member of ALGA, via Council membership to the Municipal Association of Victoria.

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- 1.3 Convened annually by the Australian Local Government Association, the National General Assembly of Local Government is the peak annual event for Local Government.
- 1.4 The Mayor requested that the Deputy Mayor, Cr Tim Baxter attend the event on behalf of the City of Port Phillip.

# 2. KEY INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Australian Local Government Association, the National General Assembly occurred from 20-22 June 2022 in Canberra.
- 2.2 The event is attended by representatives of local councils from across Australia, with over 800 Mayors and Councillors attending. Cr Baxter attended the event on behalf of the City of Port Phillip.
- 2.3 The event provides an opportunity for Local Government to engage directly with the Federal Government, to develop national policy, and to influence the future direction of our councils and our communities.

# 3. OFFICER DIRECT OR INDIRECT INTEREST

3.1 line No officers involved in the preparation of this report have any direct or indirect interest in the matter.

**ATTACHMENTS** 

1. Attachment 1 - Cr Baxter Report Back ALGA NGA