South Melbourne Market Delegations Review

6 October 2022





Introduction

- This pack provides a list of the key decisions and delegations for the South Melbourne Market both the current state and where changes are proposed.
- These delegations underpin the recommendation regarding the governance model.
- Note that the delegations assume that the current internal service provision model continues for HR, Asset Management, payroll, comms, management accounting, OHS, project management etc.
- It is important to note that under the Act an Advisory Committee (AC) cannot be delegated to directly.
- However, the AC have a very important role in providing strategic advice across a number of key functions as outlined in the slides.
- As there cannot be direct delegation, the AC would make recommendations to the CEO, who
 would generally implement those recommendations as long as they are aligned with the Council
 approved budget, Annual Business Plan, Annual Financial Budget and Asset Management Plan for
 the market, and any other relevant policy or legislation.



Delegation Descriptions

1	Council Reserved
	Decision

Full control over the decision is reserved to Council. The SMM Manager is not involved and any participation in the decision making process is at the discretion of Council

2 Council Approval on advice

Decisions are made by Council. Decision of Council is implemented by the CEO or delegate.

3 CEO Approval

Decision is made by the CEO (or other Council Delegate i.e. GM) with the supporting advice of the SMM Manager.

4 Delegated to Committee*

Decision is made by the Committee under Delegation from CEO

(*If Community Asset Committee - delegated from CEO to Committee, if Advisory Committee - CEO implements most things on direction and advice of Committee. Both Committees established by Council)

5 Delegated to Market Manager

Matters managed by the SMM Market Manger Manager (MM) (Executive Director) reporting to the GM

Current Decision Making / Delegation Arrangement

Note: Generally, delegations are aligned with current Council policies and delegations. Where there is a possible case for deviation from policy, this is specifically referenced.



Proposed Decision Making / Delegation Arrangement



	Current delegation Proposed delegation	1 Reserved Council Decision	2 Council approval on advice	3 CEO Approval (or delegate)	4 Delegated to Committee	5. Delegated to Market Manager	Councillor involvement
1.	Appointment of Board Members/Committee members						Council Decision
2.	Buying or Selling Land						Council Decision
3.	Approval of Annual Business Plan			On advice from	Committee		Council Decision
4.	Approval of Annual Financial Budget			On advice from	Committee and e	endorsed by CEO	Council Decision
5.	Approval of Asset Management Plan			On advice from	Committee and e	endorsed by CEO	Council Decision
6.	Approval of any loan or debt facility	On advice from Committee and endorsed by CEO				Council Decision	
7.	Approval of use of any surpluses			On advice from	Committee and e	endorsed by CEO	Council Decision

Note: As is the case now, 3-7 will continue to follow normal council processes i.e. annual budget process, asset management process etc, with input/advice from the Committee



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8. Entering contracts for services and capital works over \$1m		Committee provides input					
9. Setting fees and charges for parking		Committee provides input					
10. Advocacy – Ministers, local members						Council Decision	
11. Entering Lease or Licenses as Tenant – with third party landlord (extra space for market)	Council approval for significant increase					Informed	
12. Appointment of SMM Manager / ED	On advice from Committee					Informed	
13. Media responses/releases*	Mayor to respond to media as per normal process					Nil	
14. Systems Operation, system and process – IT, records, OHS, compliance, payroll, HR etc	MM uses Council IT Systems & complies with Council policies					Nil	
15. Audit and Risk Management	As per current ARCO and SRIA eporting requirements					Nil	

Note for 13: There may be opportunity to look at the role of the Chair of the Committee in releasing media releases rather than all coming from Mayor.



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16.	Grants and Local Govt Funding opportunities		Informed				
17.	Trial/Pilot/Pop up projects and initiatives not in the approved Annual Business Plan		Up to value of [\$50k] new budget				
18.	Leasing Strategy – principles for commercial mix, market vs direct negotiation, rental fee approach						Informed
19.	Entering contracts for services and capital works between \$350k and \$1m	Committee to guide project scoping					Nil
20.	Annual Reporting	Annual Report to Council					Informed
21.	Legislative Compliance	SMM operations subject to oversight by Council Audit Comm.				Nil	
22.	Leasing Process – implement approved strategy (ie direct negotiation, termination, assignment)	Committee approves policy					Nil
23.	Entering contracts for services and capital works between \$200k and \$350k	General Manager approval Committee to guide project scoping					Nil



Current delegation Proposed delegation	1 Reserved Council approval on advice 2 Council (or delegate) 3 CEO Approval to Committee to Market Manager	Councillor involvement
24. Community Consultation activities*	For activities approved by Council in Annual Business Plan	Consulted
25. External Stakeholder Management – private sector, key government agencies, other	Stakeholder engagement must be aligned to Business Plan approved by Council	Informed
26. Marketing and PR		Council Consulted*
27. Business Continuity	MM Required to comply with Council Policies and Procedures	Nil
28. Facility Maintenance	Shared responsibility with Council's Maintenance & Ops Team	Nil
29. Operating Projects directly related to SMM	Council approve budget through normal annual process	Council approved Business Case
30. Entering contracts for services and capital works up to \$200k		Nil
31. Employment of Staff (various levels)	MM required to comply with Council Policy and Procedures	N/A

Note for 24. Any activities that involve major changes to the market would need council approval. Note for 26, marketing strategy and PR will generally sit will Market Manager to implement Council approved direction. There may be times where Council will need to be consulted on high profile or high impact items.



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32. Public Safety & Security*						Nil
33. Occupational Health & Safety *	MM Required to comply with Council Policies and Procedures					Nil
34. Food Safety	MM Required to comply with legislation, Council Policies and Procedures					Nil
35. Operational Reporting	As per current process for tracking and reporting on operations					Nil

Note for 32 and 33. This is a complex area and further work is required to test appropriate delegations across the different levels.