



SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

MINUTES

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**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PORT PHILLIP CITY
COUNCIL HELD 12 DECEMBER 2018 IN ST KILDA TOWN HALL**

The meeting opened at 4:30pm.

PRESENT

Cr Gross (Chairperson), Cr Baxter (arrived 4.36pm), Cr Bond (arrived 4.41pm), Cr Brand, Cr Copey, Cr Crawford (arrived 4.32pm), Cr Pearl, Cr Simic, Cr Voss.

IN ATTENDANCE

Chris Carroll, Acting Chief Executive Officer; Lili Rosic, General Manager City Strategy and Sustainable Development; Tony Keenan, Interim General Manager Community and Economic Development; Anthony Traill, Acting General Manager Infrastructure and Amenity; Dennis O'Keeffe, Acting General Manager Customer and Corporate Services; Kylie Bennetts, Director Office of the CEO.

The City of Port Phillip respectfully acknowledges the Yalukut Weelam Clan of the Boon Wurrung. We pay our respect to their Elders, both past and present. We acknowledge and uphold their continuing relationship to this land.

1. APOLOGIES

Nil.

2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil.

3. PRESENTATION OF AWARD

Ms Lili Rosic, General Manager City Strategy and Sustainable Development presented the Mayor, Cr Gross with an award, won on 27 November, by the Melbourne Renewable Energy Project (MREP) team, which includes a collective of local governments including Port Phillip Council, organisations, universities and cultural institutions, who won the CitySwitch Partnership of the Year National Award. This follows a win at CitySwitch's Victorian Awards on 20 November and the 2018 Premier's Sustainability Award (Government category) earlier this year. MREP is a great example of numerous staff across our organisation working effectively together to achieve Council's ambitious target of zero net greenhouse gas emissions by 2020. MREP supports the construction of a new wind farm at Crowlands, 20kms north-east of Ararat, which will be owned and operated by Melbourne based clean energy company Pacific Hydro. The project will enable Port Phillip to secure a renewable electricity supply, take action on climate change and reduce our greenhouse gas emissions by 87% from 1 January 2019. The MREP model will be replicated with over 50% of local governments participating in similar projects in coming years.



4. PRESENTATION OF CEO REPORT

4.1 Presentation of CEO Report - Issue 50

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

Jennifer Edge

Referenced her comments made at the previous Council meeting held on 5 December 2018 and apologised as she thought the new Local Government Act pertaining to consultation had been passed.

Ms Edge referenced the new noise provisions within residential areas, which state that Council has the onerous task of enforcing the new regulations and expressed her concerns because previous attempts at dealing with residential noise with the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) and Council had been difficult and hoped that next year there would be an improved response from Council officers.

Purpose

- 1.1 To provide Council with a regular update from the Chief Executive Officer regarding Council's activities and performance.

MOVED Crs Voss/Pearl

That Council:

- 3.1 Notes the CEO Report Issue 50 (provided as Attachment 1) including changes to budget forecasts and project portfolio identified in November 2018.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED unanimously.



5. ORGANISATIONAL PERFORMANCE

5.1 Council Plan and Budget - Direction Setting

Purpose

- 1.1 To provide an update on changes in our strategic and operating environment and to seek approval of the 10-Year Financial Outlook and the parameters for the review of the Council Plan and development of the Budget 2019/20.

MOVED Crs Copsey/Gross

That Council:

- 3.1 Considers and notes the outcomes from a preliminary review of the operating environment and strategic risks (Attachment 1).
- 3.2 Endorses the 10-Year Financial Outlook (Attachment 2) and parameters, noting the significant challenge of rates capping and the rates cap gap.
- 3.3 Confirms not applying to the Essential Services Commission for a variation to the rate cap 2019/20.
- 3.4 Delegates authority to the CEO or their delegate to reflect any changes made by Council at tonight's meeting, which are not reflected in Attachment 2, and to make minor typographical corrections before final publication.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED unanimously.



5.2 Appointments of Councillors to committees

Purpose

- 1.1 To appoint Councillors to special committees, internal community reference (advisory) committees and external committees for the 2019 calendar year and to advise Council of the outcomes of the recent review of Advisory Committees and to recommend changes to the Council's Advisory Committee structure.

MOVED Crs Pearl/Voss

That Council:

- 3.1 Makes the appointments of Councillors as representatives to the special committees, community reference (advisory) committees and external committees for the 2019 calendar year unless Council resolves an earlier expiry date (Attachment 1).
- 3.2 Notes that the Fishermans Bend Community Forum is extended until 30 June 2019 and that a further review of this Forum will be conducted prior to that date.
- 3.3 Notes that a review of community reference (advisory) committees has been undertaken in accordance with the previous resolution carried by Council on 20 June 2018 and as an outcome of this review makes the following changes:
 - 3.3.1 Transitions the Multicultural Forum to MiCare the local migrant resource centre to facilitate and provide administrative support and that this group be called the "Multicultural Seniors Network".
 - 3.3.2 Establishes, pursuant to section 86 of the Local Government Act 1989, a new Advisory Committee of Council named the "Multicultural Advisory Committee" and notes that a new Terms of Reference for that committee and a communications and engagement strategy for recruitment is proposed to be presented to Council by the first quarter of 2019.
 - 3.3.3 Adopts the revised Terms of Reference for the Esplanade Market Reference Committee (Attachment 2).
- 3.4 Determines that the following Advisory Committees will continue with no change to their existing Terms of Reference: Community Grants Assessment Panel; Cultural Heritage Reference Committee; Fishermans Bend Community Forum; Cultural Development Fund; Art Acquisition Reference Committee; Rupert Bunny Foundation Visual Arts Fellowship Reference Committee; Friends of Suai / Covalima Reference Committee and the Older Persons Consultative Committee.



- 3.5 Requests all Councillor representatives to external Boards and committees to report back, as soon as practicable after each meeting, to a Council meeting during agenda item "Reports by Councillor delegates".
- 3.6 Notes the operational improvements contained in this report regarding the implementation of new processes to ensure all Councillors are kept informed of the outcomes of other Board meetings where Council is not officially represented but has an interest in (e.g. CaSPA Care); utilising the Youth Advisory Committee to reach the younger demographic; and the establishment of internal forums for Executive Officers of Advisory Committees to be facilitated by Governance.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED unanimously.

6. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

MOVED Crs Voss/Pearl

That in accordance with Section 77(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1989 (as amended), the meeting be closed to members of the public in order to deal with the following matters, that are considered to be confidential in accordance with Section 89(2) of the Act, for the reasons indicated:

6.1 South Melbourne Market Committee Membership

The information in this report is considered to be confidential in accordance with the Local Government Act 1989 (as amended), as it relates to:

- 89(2)(h). A matter which the Council or special committee considers would prejudice the Council or any person.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED unanimously.

The meeting was closed to the public at 5.10pm

The meeting was re-opened to the public at 5.14pm.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 5.14pm.

Confirmed: 6 February 2019

Chairperson _____