

Minutes

Ordinary Meeting of Council

Tuesday, 26 November 2019
6:30pm

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council

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held at the Moonee Valley Civic Centre

Members: Cr Samantha Byrne Mayor
Cr John Sipek Deputy Mayor
Cr Jim Cusack
Cr Rebecca Gauci Maurici
Cr Richard Lawrence
Cr Nicole Marshall
Cr Cam Nation
Cr Narelle Sharpe
Cr Andrea Surace

Officers: Bryan Lancaster Chief Executive Officer
Kendrea Pope Group Manager Operations
Vincent Cammell Group Manager City Development
Jessie Keating Executive Manager Planning
Kate McCaughey Executive Manager Community Planning Executive
Carey Patterson Manager Regulatory and City Compliance
Meghan Hopper Senior Coordinator Governance and Advocacy

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1. Opening

The Mayor, Cr Byrne, opened the meeting and welcomed all present to the Council Meeting of Tuesday, 26 November 2019.

2. Reconciliation Statement

On behalf of Moonee Valley City Council, the Mayor respectfully acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of the land on which Moonee Valley is located – the Wurundjeri People of the Kulin Nation; and paid respect to their Spirits, Ancestors, Elders and their Community Members past and present.

The Mayor also extended this respect to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples who call Moonee Valley home.

3. Apologies

Nil.

4. Confirmation of Minutes

Minute No. 2019/274

Council Resolution

Moved by Cr Sipek, seconded by Cr Surace that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 12 November 2019, be confirmed.

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5. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

Nil

6. Presentations

Caroline Chisholm Society

Cr Lawrence presented to Council the book 'Our Story So Far', received from the Chief Executive Officer of the Caroline Chisholm Society. Cr Lawrence provided Council with an overview of the work the Caroline Chisholm Society do on behalf of women and children, and advised they are currently seeking donations of nappies for families as part of their Christmas drive.

Moonee Ponds West Primary School Trivia Night

Cr Nation presented to Council a certificate of appreciation, received from Moonee Ponds West Primary School in acknowledgement of Council's support for their Australian trivia night, held on 11 October 2019. The School advised they raised over \$11,000 from the event.

7. Petitions and Joint Letters

7.1 Maintenance of nature strips in Newsom and Stanford Streets, Ascot Vale

Minute No. 2019/275

Council Resolution

Moved by Cr Marshall, seconded by Cr Nation that Council resolves to:

1. Receives and note the petition.
2. Refer this matter to the relevant officer for investigation and reporting back to Council.
3. Advise the petition organiser accordingly.

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7.2 Introduction of four hour parking limits on both sides of Columban Avenue Strathmore, on weekdays from 9am to 5pm

Minute No. 2019/276

Council Resolution

Moved by Cr Gauci Maurici, seconded by Cr Sharpe that Council resolves to:

1. Receive and note the petition.
2. Refer this matter to the relevant officer for investigation and reporting back to Council.
3. Advise the petition organiser accordingly.

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8. Public Question Time

Elissa Orelli asked Council

Is the Council aware of the increasingly unsafe traffic and pedestrian issues at Ascot Vale Special School, specifically the situation at the corner of Mascoma and Tasma Street?

Vincent Cammell, Group Manager City Development responded yes, Council is aware and is considering improvements to pedestrian safety.

In October, the Ascot Vale Special School requested a meeting with Council's Transport Unit in order to investigate some of the road safety, pedestrian and parking challenges they are currently faced with.

Council's Traffic and Transport Engineer has been meeting with Ascot Vale Special School and is currently liaising and working with the school to determine what arrangements can be made to address their current road safety challenges in the short term.

Further discussion will be taking place to resolve longer term issues with the school.

Karen Standke asked Council

Would the Council please consider a pedestrian crossing and increased signage for Ascot Vale Special School in both directions on Mascoma and Tasma Street?

There is currently one sign on Tasma Street saying Children Crossing, and it is pointing in the wrong direction.

Vincent Cammell, Group Manager City Development responded, as mentioned in response to the previous question, Council officers will continue to liaise with the school regarding this matter.

Thank you for drawing Council's attention to the issue with the existing signage. Council's signage maintenance team will attend to the existing signage and adjust accordingly.

9. Reports from Special Committees

Nil.

10. Reports

10.1 Airport West Local Area Traffic Management study

Author: James Kempen - Traffic and Transport Engineer

Business Unit: Engineering Services

Minute No. 2019/277

Council Resolution

Moved by Cr Surace, seconded by Cr Sipek that Council resolves to:

- a. Adopt for implementation the Final Traffic Management Plan as presented in Attachment D (separately circulated).
- b. Adopt for implementation the Final Parking Management Plan as presented in Attachment H (separately circulated).
- c. Note the additional traffic and parking issues raised by the local community presented in Attachment C (separately circulated) and Attachment G (separately circulated).
- d. Refer significant works with the Final Traffic Management Plan and Final Parking Management Plan to the future Capital Work Program for funding consideration.
- e. Advise owners and occupiers within the Airport West LATM study area of the outcome of this report.

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10.2 MV2040 Action Plan: Fair (Draft)

Author: Melissa Ensink - Health Planner

Business Unit: Community Planning

Minute No. 2019/278

Council Resolution

Moved by Cr Nation, seconded by Cr Gauci Maurici that Council endorses the draft *MV2040 Action Plan: Fair* for public exhibition from 27 November 2019 to 24 January 2020 with the view to bringing it back to Council for endorsement in early 2020.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.3 Response to Notice of Motion 2019/17 - Pedestrian crossings in Essendon North

Author: James Kempen - Traffic and Transport Engineer

Business Unit: Engineering Services

Minute No. 2019/279

Council Resolution

Moved by Cr Gauci Maurici, seconded by Cr Sharpe that Council resolves to:

1. Continue to work with VicRoads to prepare a funding submission for improvements to the intersection of Mt Alexander Road / Keilor Road / Bulla Road / Lincoln Road.
2. Provide a copy of this funding submission to the following MPs, with a request they advocate for its inclusion in the 2020-21 Victorian State Budget:
 - a. State Member for Essendon, Mr Danny Pearson MP
 - b. State Member for Niddrie, The Hon. Ben Carroll MP
3. Advocate for safety improvements at the intersection of Mt Alexander Road / Leake Street / Glass Street.

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10.4 Update to Response to Notice of Motion 2018/17 - Commercial Car Hire

Author: Gary Green - Senior Traffic and Transport Engineer

Business Unit: Engineering Services

Minute No. 2019/280

Council Resolution

Moved by Cr Marshall, seconded by Cr Sipek that Council resolves to:

- a. Not support the 'free floating' car share model in accordance with the current Moonee Valley City Council Municipal Parking Permit Policy 2013 but continue to monitor its progress in the market over the next 12-24 months.
- b. Not necessitate further modifications to the Moonee Valley City Council Municipal Parking Permit Policy 2013 as the 'SHARE NOW' model is currently not supported.
- c. Continue to support the previous Resolutions 3, 4 and 5 listed below:
 3. Monitors the level of community concern regarding car share vehicles parking in residential streets over the next 12 months.
 4. Undertakes a community education campaign to explain alternative transport options and the benefits of reduced car ownership.
 5. Continues the current approach to managing residential parking complaints. Respond to complaints received in accordance with the parking demand management framework set out in the Moonee Valley City Council Municipal Parking Permit Policy which currently ranks care share use above residential use in residential areas.

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10.5 Response to Petition - Market Lane, Aspen/Hall Streets traffic flow

Author: Damir Agic - Strategic Transport Planner - Technical Services

Business Unit: Engineering Services

Minute No. 2019/281

Council Resolution

Moved by Cr Nation, seconded by Cr Marshall that Council resolves to:

- a. Retain the existing traffic flow arrangements in Market Lane and Aspen Street, Moonee Ponds, on the following grounds:
 - i. Developments in the MPAC area are not completed, occupied or fully operational.
 - ii. Road works in the area are not completed, and the road network is not fully operational.
 - iii. It is currently not possible to complete the necessary traffic investigation to determine if the requested changes are warranted.
 - iv. The requested changes may contradict the traffic planning work that is part of the MPAC to 2040 local planning currently underway.
- b. Advise the petition organiser accordingly.

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10.6 Participation in the Cities Power Partnership Program

Author: Sandra Mack - Acting Coordinator Climate Change and Sustainability

Business Unit: Planning

Minute No. 2019/282

Council Resolution

Moved by Cr Marshall, seconded by Cr Cusack that Council resolves to:

- a. Participate in the Climate Council's Cities Power Partnership program.
- b. Write to the Climate Council confirming Moonee Valley City Council's participation in the Cities Power Partnership program.

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**10.7 Proposed Leases to Axicom and Optus over part of
Walter Street Reserve**

Author: Jaci Underwood - Senior Commercial Property Officer

Business Unit: Project Delivery

Minute No. 2019/283

Council Resolution

Moved by Cr Marshall, seconded by Cr Cusack that Council resolves to:

- a. Allow Axicom and Optus to continue occupying the land over part of Walter Street Reserve in overholding under the current lease agreements for the next 18 months.
- b. Form a telecommunications working group to review options for the possible relocation of the telecommunications infrastructure at Walter Street Reserve, to be comprised of residents and Council officers, and inviting telecommunication carriers, Axicom and ward Councillors to take part with a view of assessing all potential locations for infrastructure (including small cell installations) including council owned/operated facilities and commercial facilities in and around the relevant area.
- c. Inform all persons that made a submission under section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989 of Council's decision and reasoning.
- d. Receive a further report to consider the findings of the telecommunications working group.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.8 Councillor appointments to portfolios, committees and external bodies

Author: Allison Watt – Executive Manager Corporate Governance

Business Unit: Corporate Governance

Minute No. 2019/284

Council Resolution

Moved by Cr Lawrence, seconded by Cr Surace that Council resolves to:

- a) Endorse the appointment of Councillors to portfolios and as portfolio spokespersons for 2020 as outlined in this report.
- b) Appoint representatives to external bodies, and other committees for the period to October 2020, as follows:
 - Audit Committee - Cr Cusack, Cr Lawrence, Cr Sipek
 - Essendon Airport/Essendon Fields Council Working Group – Cr Sharpe, Cr Lawrence and Cr Gauci Maurici
 - Farnham Street Neighbourhood Learning Centre Committee of Management – Cr Cusack and Cr Marshall
 - Wingate Avenue Community Centre Committee of Management - Cr Cusack and Cr Marshall
 - Municipal Association of Victoria - Cr Sharpe and Cr Sipek
 - Australian Mayoral Aviation Council - Cr Byrne and Cr Lawrence
 - Leadwest - Cr Surace
 - Metropolitan Local Government Waste Forum - Cr Marshall and relevant Council Officer
 - Metropolitan Transport Forum - Cr Surace and relevant Council Officer
 - Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria Consultative Group - Cr Cusack and Cr Marshall
 - Shareholder Rep for Regional Kitchen P/L - Cr Sipek
 - Western Melbourne Tourism Board - Cr Lawrence and Manager Strategic Planning
- c) Accept Cr Nation's resignation from the Grants Assessment Committee and update the Terms of Reference accordingly.

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10.9 Assemblies of Councillors

Author: Tracey Classon - Governance Officer

Business Unit: Corporate Governance

Minute No. 2019/285

Council Resolution

Moved by Cr Nation, seconded by Cr Surace that Council resolves to receive the following records of Assemblies of Councillors in accordance with section 80A(2) of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

Assembly	Public Forum held 15 October 2019 in the Council Chamber at 6pm.	
Matters considered	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr Edward Naughton presented to Council about the unsealed laneway at the rear of his property in Moonee Ponds 2. Ms Clara Rizzi and Ms Joanna Martyr spoke to Council about Stage 6 of the Riverview Development 3. Mr Nicholas Beament spoke to Council about the proliferation of shopping trolleys in the Moonee Ponds shopping centre 	
Councillors present	Cr Rebecca Gauci Maurici Cr Richard Lawrence Cr Nicole Marshall Cr Cam Nation Cr Narelle Sharpe Cr John Sipek	
Apologies	Crs Jim Cusack and Andrea Surace	
Staff present	Bryan Lancaster Kendrea Pope Natalie Reiter	Gil Richardson Allison Watt Maria Weiss
Conflict of interest	Nil.	
Assembly	Strategic Briefing held 15 October 2019 in the Council Chamber at 6.45pm	
Matters considered	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Combined planning scheme amendment and planning permit application - Lowther Hall 2. Draft Windy Hill vision update 3. Draft agenda for Ordinary Council Meeting on 22 October 	
Councillors present	Cr Samantha Byrne Cr Rebecca Gauci Maurici Cr Richard Lawrence Cr Nicole Marshall Cr Cam Nation Cr Narelle Sharpe	

	Cr John Sipek	
Apologies	Crs Jim Cusack and Andrea Surace	
Staff present	Bryan Lancaster Kendrea Pope Natalie Reiter Gil Richardson	Allison Watt Maria Weiss David Kilroe Ben McManus
Conflict of interest	<p>Cr Gauci Maurici declared an indirect conflict of interest under s.78D interested party, in item 1 on Lowther Hall for reasons previously disclosed to the CEO and left the meeting at 6.46pm, before the discussion on the first agenda item.</p> <p>Cr Nation declared a conflict of interest in relation to the Item 1.2 Draft Windy Hill Vision consultation update and Item 10.3 Imagine Windy Hill Final Draft Vision.</p>	

Assembly	Ordinary Council Meeting pre-meet held on Tuesday 22 October 2019 at 6.00pm. Committee Room, Civic Centre.	
Matters considered	22 October 2019 OCM agenda	
Councillors present	Cr Samantha Byrne Cr Jim Cusack Cr Rebecca Gauci Maurici Cr Richard Lawrence Cr Nicole Marshall Cr Narelle Sharpe	
Apologies	Cr John Sipek	
Staff present	Bryan Lancaster Kendrea Pope Natalie Reiter Gil Richardson	Maria Weiss Petrus Barry Meghan Hopper
Conflict of interest	Cr Rebecca Gauci Maurici declared an indirect interest due to close association in item 10.2 and left the meeting before the item at 6.05pm and returned at 6.09pm.	

Assembly	Strategic Briefing held 6 November 2019 in the Council Chamber at 6.00pm	
Matters considered	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maribyrnong Boat Ramp 2. Volunteering management 3. Sharing shed and library of things 4. Queen's Park Pool 5. Review of draft agenda for ordinary council meeting on 12 November 2019. 	

Councillors present	Cr Samantha Byrne Cr Jim Cusack Cr Rebecca Gauci Maurici Cr Richard Lawrence Cr Nicole Marshall Cr Narelle Sharpe Cr John Sipek Cr Andrea Surace (8.20pm)	
Apologies	Cr Cam Nation	
Staff present	Bryan Lancaster Gil Richardson Allison Watt Jessie Keating Maria Weiss	Heidi Fisher Kate McCaughey Jim Karabinis Nat Gilbert
External	Gary Gaffney Katherine Grech	
Conflict of interest	Nil	

Assembly	Ordinary Council Meeting pre-meet held on Tuesday 12 November 2019 at 6.03pm. Committee Room, Civic Centre.	
Matters considered	12 November 2019 OCM agenda	
Councillors present	Cr Samantha Byrne Cr Jim Cusack Cr Richard Lawrence Cr Nicole Marshall Cr Narelle Sharpe Cr John Sipek Cr Andrea Surace	
Apologies	Crs Rebecca Gauci Maurici and Cam Nation	
Staff present	Bryan Lancaster Kendrea Pope Vincent Cammell Petrus Barry Allison Watt	Jessie Keating Kate McCaughey Jim Karabinis Meghan Hopper
Conflict of interest	Nil.	

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11. Notices of Motion

Nil.

12. Urgent Business

Nil

13. Delegates Reports

Nil.

14. Confidential Reports

Nil

15. Close of Meeting

The meeting concluded at 7.48pm.

**CR SAMANTHA BYRNE
CHAIRPERSON**