



CITY OF  
**M O N A S H**

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF  
COUNCIL**

**HELD ON 21 APRIL 2009**

**at 7.30 pm**

**Clayton Community Centre  
Cooke Street, Clayton**

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**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE MONASH CITY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE CLAYTON COMMUNITY CENTRE, COOKE STREET, CLAYTON  
ON TUESDAY 21 APRIL 2009 AT 7.30 PM.**

**PRESENT:** Councillors P Klisaris (Mayor), C Baines (Deputy Mayor), J Banerji, S Dimopoulos, M Drieberg, G Lake, J Lo, G Male, D McGill OAM, T Morrissey JP, S Perri

**APOLOGIES:**

Nil.

**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Nil.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL  
MEETING HELD ON 31 MARCH 2009**

Moved Cr Morrissey,

Seconded Cr Baines

*That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 31 March 2009, be taken as read and confirmed.*

**CARRIED**

**RECEPTION AND READING OF PETITIONS, JOINT LETTERS &  
MEMORIALS**

Nil.

**PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

The Mayor advised that no questions had been received.

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**OFFICERS' REPORTS**

**1. CUSTOMER SERVICES**

**1.1 Men's Shed – Progress Report**

Moved Cr Morrissey,

Seconded Cr Banerji

*That Council*

- 1. Notes the progress of a project to develop a Men's Shed in Monash; and,*
- 2. Gives approval for an application to be submitted to the State Government Men's Shed Program 2009 for a grant of \$50,000 to assist fund a Men's Shed in Monash.*

Both Crs Morrissey and Banerji spoke in support of the proposal, noting the involvement of the Lions Club and Rotary and the support provided by the State Government.

Cr Banerji further noted the importance for people to remaining connected and involved with their community and that this project sought to ensure opportunities for connectedness for men in the Monash community.

**CARRIED**

**2. HUMAN RESOURCES & ADMINISTRATION**

Nil.

**3. CORPORATE PLANNING & FINANCE**

Nil.

**4. INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

Nil.

5. **CITY DEVELOPMENT**

5.1 **Discussion Paper on Opportunities to Improve the Planning and Environment Act 1987**

Moved Cr McGill,

Seconded Cr Drieberg

*That Council makes a submission to the Department of Planning and Community Development (DPCD) regarding the Discussion Paper on Opportunities to improve The Planning And Environment Act 1987 as detailed in Attachment 1 of this report.*

Cr McGill noted that the Council had encouraged community groups in the municipality to make their own submissions.

In response to a question from Cr Dimopoulos, the Director City Development advised the Council that the Minister for Planning was likely to consider possible changes in the legislation towards the end of this year.

**CARRIED**

5.2 **2227 Dandenong Road, Mulgrave - Three Storey Residential Building Comprising 22 Student Accommodation Units & Reduction In The Car Parking Requirements**

Moved Cr McGill,

Seconded Cr Klisaris

*Council having caused notice of planning application No. TPA/36743 to be given under Section 52 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 and having considered all the matters required under Section 60 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 decides to **refuse the application** for the planning permit under the provisions of the Monash Planning Scheme in respect of the land known and described as 2227 Dandenong Road, Mulgrave, for the development and use of the land for a three storey residential building comprising 22 student accommodation units and for a reduction in the car parking requirement pursuant to clause 52.06 of the Monash Planning Scheme on the following grounds:*

- 1. The proposal does not adequately satisfy the objectives and design standards of Clause 55 of the Monash Planning Scheme having regard to neighbourhood character, open space, landscaping and parking provision.*
- 2. The proposed development is out of character with the existing development in the area in particular with regard to mass, bulk and scale.*
- 3. The proposed development will have an adverse impact on the amenity of nearby properties, in particular with regard to visual impact.*
- 4. The proposal is an overdevelopment of the land.*
- 5. The proposed number of on site car spaces is inadequate.*
- 6. The car parking layout does not provide for satisfactory vehicle movement.*
- 7. The proposed development does not provide for an adequate level of internal*

*amenity for future residents.*

8. *No provision is made for equitable access to buildings.*

*and directs that the Applicant and each objector be given a notice of the Council's decision to refuse the permit.*

Cr McGill stated that the Council was undertaking a review of student housing in the municipality. She added that the proposal represented an over development of the site.

Cr Klisaris stated that the proposal should be rejected as it did not meet the Council's planning policies. He added that the Council sought to support good design that met the needs of the community and was in keeping with the neighbourhood character.

**CARRIED**

### **5.3 Town Planning Schedules**

Moved Cr Klisaris,

Seconded Cr Male

*That the report containing the Town Planning Schedules be noted.*

**CARRIED**

### **5.4 Monash Aquatic and Recreation Centre Amenities Upgrade Tender**

Moved Cr Banerji,

Seconded Cr Lo

*That:*

1. *Council accepts the lump sum tender price of \$233,647.26, inclusive of GST, submitted by Ducon Pty Ltd to undertake the construction of the two new accessible change room facilities and an upgrade of the existing family change room facilities at the Monash Aquatic and Recreation Centre.*
2. *The anticipated project expenditure of \$251,856.60 (GST exclusive) for the construction, design and supervision be noted.*
3. *The contract agreement be signed and sealed.*

**CARRIED**

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**6 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS**

**6.1 Council Web Site Quarterly Report**

Moved Cr Lo,

Seconded Cr Banerji

*That Council notes the Quarterly Website Report and in particular the following features:*

- 1. Visits to the site during the period have increased by 18% over last quarter;*
- 2. The number of pages accessed during the period has increased by 27% over last quarter; and*
- 3. The Have Your Say, Monash Bulletin in Italian plus Building and Planning Structure Plans have been added to the site. Town Planning, Environment and Waste Services sections have undergone major revamps.*

**CARRIED**

**7. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**7.1 Young Persons Reference Group**

Moved Cr Baines,

Seconded Cr Lo

- 1. That Council accepts the appointment of the following persons to the Young Persons Reference group for a one-year period;*

*Josh Fergeus*

*Daniel Christians*

*Stephanie Batsakis*

- 2. That Council accepts the appointment of the following existing members to the Young Persons Reference group for a further one-year period;*

*Jason Mok*

*Lian Peng Yee*

*Alexandra Pelevaniuc*

*Jeremy Yam*

*Jessica Green*

*Eileen McInnes*

*Tian Tu*

*Natalie Inder*

*Thea-Anne McInnes*

*Marcelle Disanayake*

Cr Baines advised the Council that three new appointments to the Group were being put forward and that the existing members were each seeking reappointment.

Cr Baines also congratulated the Group for conducting the 'Positive Body Image' photographic exhibition, which had been highly successful.

**CARRIED**

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**8. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**8.1 Proposal To Rename Clayton Reserve and Name The Oval, 'Jack Meade Oval' - Cr Perri**

Moved Cr Perri,

Seconded Cr Lo

*That Council:*

- 1. Names the oval on Clayton Reserve, 'Jack Meade Oval', subject to positive feedback from the clubs that use this facility; and*
- 2. Proceeds to commence consultation with the community regarding a proposed name change of Clayton Reserve to 'Meade Reserve' with a subsequent report to Council detailing the community's response.*

Cr Perri noted that the motion involved the renaming of the Clayton Reserve Oval, which could be done following consultation with the sports clubs that use it, and the proposed renaming of the reserve, which would be the subject of public consultation and approval by the Registrar of Geographic Names.

Both Crs Perri and Lo commended the work of Jack and Frank Meade with the Clayton Football Club and the Clayton community, over many decades.

Cr Dimopoulos added his support for the proposal, noting that it had been submitted to the Council in late 2008.

**CARRIED**

**9. URGENT BUSINESS**

Nil.

**10. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

Cr Lo advised the Council of his attendance at a recent function to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the Waverley Hockey Club.

Cr Dimopoulos –

- a) advised the Council of the first meeting of the Multicultural Advisory Committee and the issues it will be working on, including the Multicultural Framework and Action Plan 2009-2012.
- b) Represented the Mayor at the Oakleigh-Carnegie RSL Anzac commemoration ceremony.

Cr Male informed the Council that he had been engaged in a number of activities, including the following –

- Attending the Economic Development Forum dinner
- Visiting Waverley Industries Ltd
- Attending a meeting of the 2009 Council Plan Steering Committee
- Attending a meeting of the Eastern Transport Coalition
- Meeting the President of the Glen Waverley Traders Association
- Attending the Mulgrave Family Fun Day

Cr Male also advised that he would be taking part in a State Government funded three-day technical tour of state of the art waste management facilities.

Cr McGill informed the Council of the successful launch of the inaugural Monash Bike Day, which was organised by the Council and supported by Bicycle Victoria. She noted that the event was well attended with members of the Monash community of all ages taking part.

Cr Perri reported -

- a) that her nomination by Council to the VMC Standing Committee on local Government and Multicultural Diversity had been accepted and that the Committee had held its first meeting on 20 April 2009.
- b) on her attendance at the Anzac memorial service at the Clayton RSL, on behalf of the Mayor.

Cr Baines reported on her attendance at the sixth Mulgrave Family Fun Day held at Wellington Reserve, Mulgrave

**11. PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS**

Nil.

**12. MATTERS OF COUNCIL IMPORTANCE**

Nil

**13. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS**

Nil.

The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 8.07 pm

**MAYOR:** .....

**DATED THIS ..... DAY OF ..... 2009**