



CITY OF
MONASH

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF
COUNCIL
HELD ON 29 MAY 2018**

at 7.00 pm

**Council Chambers
293 Springvale Road,
Glen Waverley**

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE MONASH CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SPRINGVALE ROAD GLEN WAVERLEY
ON 29 MAY 2018 AT 7.00 PM.**

PRESENT: Councillors P Klisaris (Mayor), S McCluskey (Deputy Mayor), R Davies, J Fergeus, S James, B Little, R Paterson, L Saloumi, MT Pang Tsoi, T Zographos

APOLOGIES:

Cr G Lake.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL
MEETING HELD ON 24 APRIL 2018**

Moved Cr James,

Seconded Cr Klisaris

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 24 April 2018, be taken as read and confirmed.

CARRIED

RECEPTION AND READING OF PETITIONS, JOINT LETTERS & MEMORIALS

Cr Davies tabled a letter from the Mulgrave Country Club, regarding the Cultural and Land Act policy, and requesting that its rates under that policy not be increased.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The Mayor advised that 1 question had been received. The submitter did not attend the meeting and the Mayor advised that the Council's response would be sent to them.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

1. CITY DEVELOPMENT

1.1 Urban Landscape & Canopy Vegetation Strategy

Moved Cr Fergus,

Seconded Cr Little

That Council:

- 1. Notes the content and recommendations of the Draft Monash Urban Landscape and Canopy Vegetation Strategy;*
- 2. Notes the content of the Discussions Paper – Implementing the Monash Urban Landscape and Canopy Vegetation Strategy;*
- 3. Releases the draft Strategy and Discussion Paper for community consultation in accordance with the consultation program set out in this report.*
- 4. Notes that the potential introduction of revised or new local controls over the removal of canopy trees as recommended in the Strategy is only one of several recommended actions contained in the Strategy to promote the garden character of Monash with the Strategy providing a range of important policy directions and guidance for the enhancement of the garden character of Monash including revised planting and species lists, educational programs and design guidelines for redevelopment and that each of these are of significant value to the future character of Monash.*
- 5. Notes that a further report will be presented to Council upon the completion of the community consultation program reporting on the outcomes of the consultation and for consideration of any proposed way forward.*

AMENDMENT

Cr James moved an amendment, which was seconded by Cr Paterson and accepted by the mover and seconder and the Council. It therefore became part of the substantive motion. Consequently, the Substantive Motion considered by Council was:

That Council:

- 1. Notes the content and recommendations of the Draft Monash Urban Landscape and Canopy Vegetation Strategy;*
- 2. Notes the content of the Discussions Paper – Implementing the Monash Urban Landscape and Canopy Vegetation Strategy (Discussion Paper);*
- 3. Revises the Discussion Paper by removing the example draft Local Law and draft Significant Landscape Strategy from the Discussion Paper*
- 4. Releases the draft Strategy and revised Discussion Paper for community consultation in accordance with the consultation program set out in this report.*

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- 5. Notes that the potential introduction of revised or new local controls over the removal of canopy trees as recommended in the Strategy is only one of several recommended actions contained in the Strategy to promote the garden character of Monash with the Strategy providing a range of important policy directions and guidance for the enhancement of the garden character of Monash including revised planting and species lists, educational programs and design guidelines for redevelopment and that each of these are of significant value to the future character of Monash.**
- 6. Notes that a further report will be presented to Council upon the completion of the community consultation program reporting on the outcomes of the consultation and for consideration of any proposed way forward.**

Cr Fergeus said that this was a terrific piece of work and that the community would like what they see in the Strategy, if it is released for consultation. He added that the tree canopy has significantly decreased since 1992, with a 4 percent loss across the municipality and it has decreased even further. Cr Fergeus said that the Strategy set ambitious goals – to increase the canopy to 40 percent by 2040; strengthen local biodiversity and increase canopy trees in activity centres. It would maximise the retention of existing, healthy mature trees. Cr Fergeus said that the Strategy set out its vision for a ‘garden city’ and it was a visionary strategy and that the next phase needed to be about whether the community agreed with that vision.

Cr James said that it had been a long process and thanked Council officers for their efforts, and that the proposal spoke to what the Council sought to achieve.

Cr Saloumi said that many people in the community wanted the strategy out in the community. She added that many trees in her ward had been removed and noted that the City of Melbourne. Cr Saloumi noted the increase from 9 percent to 15 percent of hard surface areas and 25 percent in roof coverage, which contributed to flooding. Cr Saloumi said that she was pleased to support this Strategy and it was a huge piece of work. She noted that it had taken 8 months to reach this point and encouraged the community to provide feedback on it.

Cr Davies said that he supported the motion, but had 3 concerns: 1. the 30 percent vegetation cover was too ambitious, and that strong strategies were needed to get there and wanted to see analysis in support of that target; 2. Suggested controls over commercial areas. Didn’t want to see more obstacles being put in front of businesses and causing increased costs and red tape; 3. Wanted to see investment by Council; a lot of planting of trees.

Cr McCluskey said that he supported the motion and that the consultation was about the Council presenting a particular vision for the future. He added that it was important not to be too prescriptive but respond to the feedback from the community. Cr McCluskey said that he hoped that a summary of the proposed strategy would be made available, to provide a succinct and clear summary of the proposal and engage the entire community. Cr McCluskey said that he also hoped that a balance would be struck between enhancing the environment and supporting

the 'garden city concept' with amenity and people's safety, vis. dead/dying/dangerous trees.

Cr Little commended the motion, noting that the Strategy divided Monash into 9 landscape types and what trees were suitable for those areas. He said that trees were central to an urban ecology. Cr Little added that without trees, there are no bird corridors or other species that combine, under a tree canopy. He noted that the reduction in tree canopy had been kept to 3 percent only because of the incredible number of trees that the Council had planted. Cr Little noted the proposed actions in the study, including the strategic tree study and education programs. He also noted that the strategy contemplated bringing in a local law relating to controlling the removal of trees via a community law and a strategy tree overlay.

Cr Tsoi said that he supported the release of the draft strategy and Discussion Paper for community consultation. He noted the number of e-mails that he and Cr McCluskey had received from residents regarding the tree canopy in the municipality.

Cr Paterson said that the Council decided in 2014 to budget for a vegetation strategy. The work had to be undertaken and prepared for public consultation. She said that she was excited that the Council had reached this point. Over the years that the strategy had been developed, trees had been lost across the city, due to development and replaced by non-permeable surfaces. Cr Paterson said that the longer it took for mechanisms to be put into place to manage and protect vegetation, it would be a harder task to realise the vision in the strategy. She added that feedback would be sought from the community and the Council would then develop a plan, quickly, on how to put the strategy into place, based on that feedback. Cr Paterson said that she was confident that the community would support the vision, noting that the majority of residents that she had spoken to were attracted to Monash because it was a green leaf area and wanted to see it remain so. Cr Paterson thanked the Friends of Damper Creek who had lobbied councillors, to ensure that they were aware of the group's thoughts regarding this document. She noted that the Friends group had been at the forefront of preserving trees.

CARRIED

1.2 317-319 Clayton Road Clayton (Clayton Hotel) – Buildings & Works

Moved Cr Saloumi,

Seconded Cr James

That Council resolves to amend Planning Permit (TPA/40027) issued on 15 February 2013 authorising buildings and works (including works within a Special Building Overlay) to the existing hotel (licensed premises comprising café/lounge bar, bistro, restaurant, function rooms TAB and gaming lounge on the site at 1,2,3 & 4/317-319 Clayton Road, Clayton by replacing Conditions 5 and 13 with the following:

Replacement Condition No. 5

"The use (excluding the gaming room) hereby permitted may operate only between

the hours of:

- *Monday through to Sunday any time excluding between 3 am and 12 noon on Anzac Day.*

Replacement Condition No. 13

“The live entertainment hereby permitted in the venue is subject to the following requirements:

- a) Live entertainment must be limited to:

 - i. Karaoke;*
 - ii. A DJ or other music playback or program material; or*
 - iii. A band or performer.**
- b) Live entertainment must not occur after 1 am;*
- c) Acoustic drum kits must not be used;*
- d) Windows to the function room must remain closed during live entertainment performances;*
- e) Doors to the function room balcony must close automatically;*
- f) A noise limiting device must be installed, such as the CESVA LRF-04 or equivalent calibrated to limit octave band music levels to the maximum music levels defined as follows:*

	<i>Octave Band Centre Frequency, Hz</i>						
	<i>63</i>	<i>125</i>	<i>250</i>	<i>500</i>	<i>1000</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>4000</i>
<i>Maximum music level allowable inside function room, at 3m in front of loudspeakers (Db)</i>	<i>93</i>	<i>99</i>	<i>109</i>	<i>113</i>	<i>110</i>	<i>101</i>	<i>115</i>

and to ensure compliance with Conditions 14 and 15.

The music levels must be periodically tested and documented by a suitably qualified and independent acoustic engineer. The results must be presented whenever required by the Responsible Authority.

Cr Saloumi said that it was not the Council’s role to interfere with commercial trading. The facility was in a commercial area and there was no proposal to expand gaming activities, as the proposal related to a bistro and live entertainment area. Cr Saloumi noted that 24 hour trading catered for shift workers and also offered additional employment opportunities. She also noted that the venue had not proposed to increase its 35 electronic gaming machines, which contrasted with the 130 machines at Moonee Valley Race Course.

Cr James said that the application had nothing to do with gaming machines and the venue already had a 24 hour liquor licence. The application related to the ability for patrons to consume alcohol in the recently established bistro and entertainment area, ie outside of the gaming area. He noted that there had been no objections to the application from Victoria Police.

Cr Zographos said that it was a very clear report from the officers and the motion deserved support. He added that no objections had been received from either local

traders, residents, Victoria Police or VicRoads and there had been no reason for the application to be brought before the Council.

CARRIED

1.3 740 High Street Road Glen Waverley – 4 Storey Building – 14 Apartments

Moved Cr Little,

Seconded Cr Zographos

That Council resolves to issue a Notice of Decision to Grant a Planning Permit (TPA/47480) for the construction of a four (4) storey building comprising of 14 apartments with basement car parking, at 740 High Street Road, Glen Waverley subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Before the development starts, three copies of amended plans drawn to scale and dimensioned, must be submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority. When approved the plans will be endorsed and will then form part of the permit.***

The plans must be generally in accordance with the plans submitted with the application, but modified to show:

- a) ***Finished floor levels and overall height of the development reduced by 1.0m achieved through additional basement excavation.***
- b) ***Blair Road pedestrian entrance canopy encroaching by no more than 1.0m into the Blair Road street setback.***
- c) ***The extent of stair and ramp encroachment and site coverage on the Blair Road frontage, reduced by a minimum of 50% and replaced with additional landscaping.***
- d) ***Fencing and retaining walls along the High Street Road frontage setback a minimum of 3.0m from the northern boundary.***
- e) ***Bedroom 1 of Apartment 3 setback 1.0m from the western boundary.***
- f) ***The balcony adjacent to Bedroom 1 of Apartment 4 deleted.***
- g) ***The ground level planter box along the western boundary extended adjacent to Bedroom 1 of Apartment 3 and 4. The planter box is to be designed to provide for planting of vegetation with a height of not less than 6.0m, irrigation and any required supporting measures.***
- h) ***Floor plans to clearly notate all screening and obscure glazing as nominated on the elevations.***
- i) ***The location of any required heating and cooling units. Where the heating and cooling units are proposed on balconies, an additional balcony area of not less than 1.5m² is to be provided.***
- j) ***Provision of double glazing or acoustic glazing to all habitable room windows along the northern and eastern elevations.***
- k) ***A detailed schedule of all materials and finishes including samples, coloured elevations and perspectives.***
- l) ***The location and design of any required fire services, electricity supply, gas and water meter boxes discreetly located and/or screened to compliment the development;***

all to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

- 2. The development as shown on the endorsed plans must not be altered without the written consent of the Responsible Authority.***

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3. *Once the development has started it must be continued and completed to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.*
 4. *No bin or receptacle or any form of rubbish or refuse shall be allowed to remain in view of the public and no odour shall be emitted from any receptacle so as to cause offence to persons outside the land.*
 5. *Adequate provision shall be made for the storage and collection of garbage and other solid wastes and these facilities are to be located on the site to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.*
 6. *Prior to the commencement of works on the site, the owner shall prepare a Waste Management Plan for the collection and disposal of garbage and recyclables for all uses on the site. The Waste Management Plan shall provide for:*
 - a) *The method of collection of garbage and recyclables for uses;*
 - b) *Designation of methods of collection including the need to provide for private services or utilisation of council services;*
 - c) *Appropriate areas of bin storage on site and areas for bin storage on collection days;*
 - d) *Measures to minimise the impact upon local amenity and on the operation, management and maintenance of car parking areas; and*
 - e) *Litter management.*

A copy of this plan must be submitted to Responsible Authority for approval. Once approved the Waste Management Plan will be endorsed to form part of this permit.

7. *Before the development starts, a construction management plan must be prepared and submitted to the Responsible Authority for approval. The plan must be to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority. Once approved, the plan must be implemented to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority. The plan must address the following issues:*
 - a) *measures to control noise, dust and water runoff;*
 - b) *prevention of silt or other pollutants from entering into the Council's underground drainage system or road network;*
 - c) *the location of where building materials are to be kept during construction;*
 - d) *site security;*
 - e) *maintenance of safe movements of vehicles to and from the site during the construction phase;*
 - f) *on-site parking of vehicles associated with construction of the development;*
 - g) *wash down areas for trucks and vehicles associated with construction activities;*
 - h) *cleaning and maintaining surrounding road surfaces;*

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- i) *a requirement that construction works must only be carried out during the following hours:*
- *Monday to Friday (inclusive) – 7.00am to 6.00pm;*
 - *Saturday – 9.00am to 1.00pm;*
 - *Saturday – 1.00pm to 5.00pm (Only activities associated with the erection of buildings. This does not include excavation or the use of heavy machinery.)*

Once approved the plan will be endorsed to form part of this permit.

8. *No equipment, services, architectural features or structures of any kind, including telecommunication facilities, other than those shown on the endorsed plans shall be permitted above the roof level of the building unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Responsible Authority.*
9. *Disabled access to the building must be provided to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority. All work carried out to provide disabled access must be constructed in accordance with Australian Standards Design for Access and Mobility AS 1428.1*
10. *A landscape plan prepared by a Landscape Architect or a suitably qualified or experienced landscape designer, drawn to scale and dimensioned must be submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority prior to the commencement of any works. The plan must show the proposed landscape treatment of the site including:-*
- a) *the location of all existing trees and other vegetation to be retained on site;*
 - b) *provision of at least four canopy trees (two located within each street frontage) with a minimum mature height equal to the height of the roof of the proposed building;*
 - c) *planter box adjacent to the western boundary designed to provide for planting of vegetation with a mature height of not less than 6.0m, irrigation and any required supporting measures;*
 - d) *detail of any planter boxes including growing medium and drainage;*
 - e) *provision of canopy trees with spreading crowns located throughout the site including the major open space areas of the development;*
 - f) *planting to soften the appearance of hard surface areas such as driveways and other paved areas;*
 - g) *a schedule of all proposed trees, shrubs and ground cover, which will include the size of all plants (at planting and at maturity), their location, botanical names and the location of all areas to be covered by grass, lawn, mulch or other surface material;*
 - h) *the location and details of all fencing;*
 - i) *the extent of any cut, fill, embankments or retaining walls associated with the landscape treatment of the site; and*

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- j) details of all proposed hard surface materials including pathways, patio or decked areas.*

When approved the plan will be endorsed and will then form part of the permit.

- 11. Before the occupation of the buildings allowed by this permit, landscaping works as shown on the endorsed plans must be completed to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority and then maintained to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.*
- 12. Concurrent with the endorsement of any plans, a Sustainable Management Plan (SMP) must be submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority. Upon approval the SMP will be endorsed as part of the planning permit and the development must incorporate the sustainable design initiatives outlined in the SMP to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority. The report must include, but is not limited to, the following:*
- a) Demonstration of how ‘best practice’ sustainability measures have been addressed, having regard to the relevant aspects of Clause 21.13 of the Planning Scheme.*
 - b) Identify relevant statutory obligations, strategic or other documented sustainability targets or performance standards.*
 - c) Document the means by which the appropriate target or performance is to be achieved.*
 - d) Identify responsibilities and a schedule for implementation, and ongoing management, maintenance and monitoring.*
 - e) Demonstrate that the design elements, technologies and operational practices that comprise the SMP can be maintained over time.*
 - f) Any relevant requirements of the Condition 1 sub-clauses hereof.*

All works must be undertaken in accordance with the endorsed Sustainability Management Plan to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority. No alterations to the endorsed Sustainable Management Plan may occur without written consent of the Responsible Authority and (to the extent material and necessary) any relevant flow-on changes to the design response must be also incorporated into the endorsed architectural plans.

- 13. Prior to the occupation any of the dwellings approved under this permit, a report from the author of the endorsed Sustainable Management Plan (or similarly qualified person or company) must be submitted to the Responsible Authority. The report must be to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority and must confirm that (in relation to those relevant completed dwellings ready for occupation) all measures specified in the Sustainable Management Plan have been implemented in accordance with the approved plan.*
- 14. Before the development permitted is completed, areas set aside for parked vehicles and access lanes as shown on the endorsed plans must be:*

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- a) *constructed to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority;*
 - b) *properly formed to such levels that they can be used in accordance with the plans;*
 - c) *surfaced with an all-weather sealcoat to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority;*
 - d) *drained, maintained and not used for any other purpose to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority;*
 - e) *line-marked to indicate each car space and all access lanes to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.*

Parking areas and access lanes must be kept available for these purposes at all times.

15. *The development must be provided with a corner splay or area at least 50% clear of visual obstruction (or with a height of less than 1.2m) extending at least 2.0 metre long x 2.5 metres deep (within the property) on both sides of the vehicle crossing to provide a clear view of pedestrians on the footpath of the frontage road.*
16. *On-site visitor parking spaces are required to be clearly marked.*
17. *All new crossings are to be no closer than 1.0 metre measured at the kerb to the edge of any power pole, drainage or service pit, or other services. The proposed crossing is within 1m of a Telstra Pit and approval from Telstra is required.*
18. *Bicycle parking facilities shall generally follow the design and signage requirements set out in Clause 52.34 of the Monash Planning Scheme.*
19. *The car park layout of the development shall generally follow the Design Standards for car parking set out in Clause 52.06-8 of the Monash Planning Scheme to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.*
20. *At least 25% of the mechanical car parking spaces are to accommodate a vehicle clearance height of at least 1.8 metres.*
21. *The mechanical parking system is required to cater for the following:*
 - a) *Independent operation for each parking space.*
 - b) *A clear / usable platform width of at least 230cm.*
 - c) *Loading weight per platform of at least 2000 kg.*
 - d) *A vehicle at least 520cm in length.*
22. *Specification of the mechanical parking system detail design and associated features is required to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.*
23. *All stormwater collected on the site from all hard surface areas must not be allowed to flow uncontrolled into adjoining properties or the road reserve.*
24. *The private on-site drainage system must prevent stormwater discharge from*

the/each driveway over the footpath and into the road reserve. The internal drainage system may include either:

- *a trench grate (minimum internal width of 150 mm) located within the property boundary and not the back of footpath; and/or*
- *shaping the internal driveway so that stormwater is collected in grated pits within the property; and or*
- *another Council approved equivalent.*

25. All stormwater collected on the site is to be detained on site to the predevelopment level of peak stormwater discharge. The design of any internal detention system is to be approved by Council's Engineering Department prior to drainage works commencing. Further information regarding the design of the on-site detention system is provided in the Notes section of this permit.

26. The nominated point of stormwater connection for the site is to the south-east corner of the property where the entire site's stormwater must be collected and free drained via a pipe to the Council pit in the rear easement to Council Standards. A new pit is to be constructed to Council Standards if a pit does not exist, is in poor condition or is not a Council standard pit.

Note: If the point of connection cannot be located then notify Council's Engineering Department immediately.

27. The existing redundant crossings are to be removed and replaced with matched in kerb and channel to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

28. Any works within the road reserve must ensure the footpath and naturestrip are reinstated to Council standards.

29. Expiry of permit:

In accordance with section 68 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987, this permit will expire if one of the following circumstances applies:

- *The development is not started before 2 years from the date of issue.*
- *The development is not completed before 4 years from the date of issue.*

In accordance with section 69 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987, the responsible authority may extend the periods referred to if a request is made in writing before the permit expires, or within three months afterwards.

NOTES:

1. Building approval must be obtained prior to the commencement of the above approved works.

2. Building permit approval for this development must take into consideration the location of future subdivision boundaries and their compliance with the Fire Separation Provisions of the Building Code of Australia, including Separating Walls and Openings near Boundaries, as well as the requirements of the Building

Regulations.

3. *The lot/unit numbers on the “Endorsed Plan” are not to be used as the official street address of the property. Street numbering is allocated in accordance with Australian/New Zealand Standards 4819:2001- Rural and Urban Addressing. Any street addressing enquiries should be directed to Council’s Valuation Team on 9518 3615 or 9518 3210.*
4. *Approval of each proposed crossing, and a permit for installation or modification of any vehicle crossing is required from Council’s Engineering Department.*
5. *Consultation should take place with Council respect of the removal of the vehicular crossing and reinstatement works.*
6. *Detention system requirements for above property are as follows:-*
 - *Minimum storage = 6.37 m³*
 - *Maximum discharge rate = 5.09 l/s*
 - *Minimum orifice diameter if using orifice pit = 65mm, otherwise install a Phillips multi cell or similar to control outflow.*
7. *One copy of the plans for the drainage and civil works must be submitted to and approved by the Engineering Department prior to the commencement of works. The plans are to show sufficient information to determine that the drainage works will meet all drainage conditions of the permit. Please email to mail@monash.vic.gov.au.*
8. *An on site detention system for storm events up to the 1% AEP event to be retained on site for the basement carpark. The detention system for the basement is to be separated from the detention system for the property, which is to be at ground level and discharge by gravity.*
9. *A Licensed Surveyor or Civil Engineer (who is a Registered Building Practitioner) must certify that the stormwater detention system including all levels, pits, pipes and storage volumes is constructed in accordance with the approved plans. The certifier's registration number must be included on the certificate.*
10. *Engineering permits must be obtained for new or altered vehicle crossings and new connections to Council pits and these works are to be inspected by Council's Engineering Department. A refundable security deposit of \$1,000 is to be paid prior to the drainage works commencing.*
11. *Tree planting should be kept clear of the drainage easement.*
12. *Residents of the approved development will not be entitled to car parking permits for on street car parking.*

CARRIED

1.4 193-195 Clayton Road Clayton – 14 Triple Storey Dwellings & Alteration of Access Road

Moved Cr Fergeus,

Seconded Cr James

That Council resolves to issue a Notice of Decision to Refuse to Grant a Planning Permit (TPA/48365) for the construction of 14 triple storey dwellings and alteration of road access in Road Zone Category 1 at 193-195 Clayton Road, Clayton subject to the following grounds:

- 1. The development is inconsistent with the design objectives and requirements of Schedule 3 to the Residential Growth Zone (RGZ3).*
- 2. The proposal is inconsistent with the Residential Development Policy at Clauses 21.04 and 22.01 of the Monash Planning Scheme as it fails to achieve architectural and urban design outcomes that positively contribute to the neighbourhood character having particular regard to the desired future character for the area.*
- 3. The proposal does not adequately satisfy the objectives and design standards of Clause 55 of the Monash Planning Scheme with regard to neighbourhood character, site layout and building massing, setbacks, front fencing, access provision, amenity impacts, private open space provision, solar access to open space, common property, dwelling entry, parking location, site servicers, landscaping and detailed design.*
- 4. The proposed development is not consistent with the Monash Housing Strategy.*
- 5. The proposed development would adversely affect the landscape character of the area.*
- 6. The proposed development will have a detrimental impact on future development of the area.*
- 7. The proposed development is considered a poor design outcome for the site.*
- 8. The proposed street tree removal will have a detrimental impact on the streetscape.*
- 9. The proposed development is of a poor standard and will set an undesirable precedent for the residential growth area of Clayton.*

Cr James said that developers needed to speak to Council officers before submitting an application. He said that the application represented a massive overdevelopment of the site and could not be supported.

In response to a question from Cr Davies, the Director City Development advised that the site was in a Residential Growth Zone, which established certain space requirements for developments in apartment form. The application had sought to take advantage of those requirements and apply them to a development comprising townhouses. Those controls were not designed for apartments.

CARRIED

1.5 15 Driftwood Drive Glen Waverley – Removal of One Tree

Moved Cr Fergeus,

Seconded Cr Paterson

- A. That Council resolves to issue a Notice of Decision to Refuse to Grant a Planning Permit (TPA/48764) for the removal of one (1) tree in the Vegetation Protection Overlay (VPO) at 15 Driftwood Drive, Glen Waverley subject to the following grounds:**
- 1. The tree makes a significant contribution to the landscape character of the area and its removal does not accord with the objectives of Clause 22.05 (Tree Conservation Policy) and Clause 42.02 (Vegetation Protection Overlay) of the Monash Planning Scheme.**
- B. That Council write to the owner advising that the tree is to be retained, and that the owner should:**
- 1. Remove deadwood and undertake routine crown maintenance pruning works as recommended by Council's Arborist, John Faulkner. All pruning must be in accordance with the Australian Standard - AS4373 Pruning of Amenity Trees**

CARRIED

1.6 1 Mareeba Court Glen Waverley – Removal of Two Trees

Moved Cr Fergeus,

Seconded Cr Paterson

- A) That Council resolves to issue a Notice of Decision to Refuse to Grant a Planning Permit (TPA/48843) for the removal of two (2) trees in a Vegetation Protection Overlay 1 (VPO1) at 1 Mareeba Court, Glen Waverley subject to the following grounds:**
- i. The trees make a significant contribution to the landscape character of the area and their removal does not accord with the objectives of Clause 22.05 (Tree Conservation Policy) and Clause 42.02 (Vegetation Protection Overlay) of the Monash Planning Scheme.**
- B) That Council write to the owner advising that: the area of impervious site cover, including synthetic grass shown on the landscape plan exceeds the amount allowable under ResCode and should be reduced to comply with Clause 54.03-4 - Permeability objectives of the Monash Planning Scheme. As the trees are to be**

retained, construction should include tree protection measures and design techniques sympathetic to root development, in accordance with the Arboricultural Assessment and Tree Issues Resolution Plan prepared by McLeod Trees Consulting, dated 16th January 2018.

CARRIED

1.7 179 Carinish Road, Clayton Construction of A Three Storey Apartment Building Comprising 26 Dwellings and Basement Car Park

Moved Cr Little,

Seconded Cr McCluskey

That Council:

- *Authorises officers to negotiate an appropriate outcome for the redevelopment of the land at 179 Carinish Road, Clayton generally in accordance with the revised proposal tendered at VCAT and outlined in this report; and*
- *Notes with disappointment that the applicant only revised the development in response to Council's concerns once the matter was before VCAT.*

In response to a question from Cr Zographos, the Director City Development advised that developments in the area since the application was made in June or July 2017 were not relevant to this matter. He noted that the matter related to the addressing by the applicant of concerns that Council officers had raised in regard to the original planning application.

In response to a question from Cr Davies, the Director City Development advised that the original application was 5 car spaces short, but with the reduction in the number of apartments in the amended application, the car space requirements would be met.

CARRIED

1.8 Town Planning Schedules

Moved Cr Fergeus,

Seconded Cr James

That the report containing the Town Planning Schedules be noted.

In response to a question from Cr Saloumi, the Director City Development advised that the in relation to Amendment C137, the planning overlays were redundant and had been fully subscribed and the current controls were no longer required. He added that the Council had previously resolved to commence a new parking overlay in Oakleigh and Glen Waverley and had requested Ministerial approval for them. The Minister for Planning decided not to approve them, which left outdated controls in the planning scheme, which resulted in the Council not been able to collect contributions as the

schemes had been fully subscribed and could not consider a reduction or waiver of parking requirements. The Director advised that the Amendment corrected this.

CARRIED

1.9 Economic Development Strategy and Action Plan 2017-2021

Moved Cr Klisaris,

Seconded Cr Paterson

That Council:

- 1. Notes the submissions received in response to the Draft Monash Economic Development Strategy and Action Plan 2017-2021; and*
- 2. Adopts the Monash Economic Development Strategy 2018 as appended to this report.*

The Mayor said that Monash was the second biggest employer in Victoria, having the second largest employment cluster. Over 100,000 people moved through the area daily and over \$15 billion was generated. The Mayor also noted that the area was home to major facilities such as Monash University, the Technology Precinct, Monash Medical Centre, CSIRO and the Synchrotron.

CARRIED

2. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES

2.1 Mulgrave Reserve Masterplan

Moved Cr Davies,

Seconded Cr McCluskey

That Council:

- 1. Notes the community feedback received on the Draft Mulgrave Reserve Masterplan;*
- 2. Endorses the final Mulgrave Reserve Masterplan (Attachment B) and considers progressing elements of this plan for consideration through future Council budget allocations; and*
- 3. Directs Council's Horticulture Unit to facilitate an initial meeting for residents who indicated they would be interested in establishing a Friends of Mulgrave Wetlands.*

Cr Davies said that it was his Budget initiative in 2017/18 and was supported by his fellow Ward Councillors. He noted the characteristics of Mulgrave Reserve, including the sporting facilities and wetlands and the works that would be undertaken under the masterplan, including the pavilion and wetlands upgrade, additional parking and a netball court and other facilities. Cr Davies noted that the project would be completed

over the next 3 years. He commended the project, saying that it would be a a great asset for the community.

Cr McCluskey noted the high level of engagement by the user groups and the local community, with this project. He added that they supported not only the development of the site for users, but for the community as a whole. Cr McCluskey said that the community was in love with the wetlands and the whole reserve. He added that one of the outcomes that he was impressed about was the willingness by residents for form a 'friends of' group for the reserve. He said that that spoke volumes about how the community felt about the reserve. Cr McCluskey commended the efforts of Council officers and the consultants engaged to prepare the master plan.

The Mayor said that he was impressed by the community buy-in on this project and commended Council officers and the project consultants for their efforts. He said that the Council would work hard with all stakeholders to ensure that the project was completed. He noted that financial support from the other 2 tiers of government.

CARRIED

2.2 Changes To the Status Resolution Support Services (SRSS) Program Advocacy

Moved Cr Fergeus,

Seconded Cr Paterson

That Council:

- 1. Notes the impact on people living in the community seeking asylum who may be affected by proposed changes to the Status Resolution Support Service (SRSS) program.***
- 2. Writes to the Honourable Peter Dutton, Minister for Home Affairs, to advocate against the changes to the SRSS Program as part of a regional advocacy response led by the City of Greater Dandenong.***

CARRIED

DIVISION

A Division was called.

For: Crs Saloumi, Little, Fergeus, Paterson, McCluskey, Klisaris, James, Tsoi

Against: Crs Zographos and Davies

2.3 Junior Advisory Group

Moved Cr Fergeus,

Seconded Cr Paterson

That Council:

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- 1. Supports the twelve (12) month trial of a Junior Advisory Group for primary school students as an action of the Child & Young People Friendly City Project; and***
 - 2. Appoints Councillors Klisaris, McCluskey, Paterson, Fergeus and Zographos to participate in the Junior Advisory Group in 2019.***

AMENDMENT

The Mayor moved an amendment, which was seconded by Cr James, to remove his and Cr McCluskey's names from part 2 of the motion

This amendment was accepted by the mover and seconder of the motion and the Council and was therefore became part of the Substantive Motion, which now read as follows:

That Council:

- 1. Supports the twelve (12) month trial of a Junior Advisory Group for primary school students as an action of the Child & Young People Friendly City Project; and***
- 2. Appoints Councillors Paterson, Fergeus and Zographos to participate in the Junior Advisory Group in 2019.***

The Mayor said that although he and the Deputy Mayor were fully supportive of the initiative and wanted to be involved, they considered, on reflection, that there would be too many adults in the group.

Cr Fergeus said that this was one of the first significant pieces of work that he had put a Budget bid. He said that after some initial hesitation from Councillors, it was pleasing to see the support that the proposal was receiving from them. Cr Fergeus said that he believed that the Council would be no less impressed with what Primary School aged children would come forward with than with the Young Persons Reference Group, with proposals being brought forward that would not otherwise be thought. Cr Fergeus said the proposal was about providing inclusion, access to where decisions happened and a pathway for all citizens of Monash to participate in that process.

Cr Zographos thanked those Councillors who had brought the proposal to Council; it was a matter that he had been interested in since his election to Council. He said it was appropriate to have students of all ages be able to provide the Council with ideas about all sorts of issues. Cr Zographos added that he looked forward to this cohort meeting with Councillors and that those Councillors will be able to report back to Council with some great ideas and initiatives

Cr James said that it was a magnificent idea that he fully supported. He noted that the Council received feedback from a range of people- elderly, those with disabilities, from multicultural backgrounds, teenagers through the Young Person's Reference Group,

but this young cohort was not captured and did not have a voice. Cr James noted that over 7 percent of residents were aged between 5 and 11. He added that he was disappointed that, due to work commitments, he could not be part of the Group, but wished all involved success.

Cr Paterson said that it was a great and exciting areas that the Council was moving into and thanked Councillors for their interest and support in the proposal. Cr Paterson noted that interesting things happened when Council engaged with this age group, noting the design of the Valley Reserve playground, which had been influenced by the feedback from 3 local primary schools, at Year 3 level, in the area; which resulted in the construction of a number of tree houses. Cr Paterson also noted that the playground had won Best Playground of the Year award. She added that some fantastic things came out of engaging with young people, and was grateful that she could be part of the advisory group

CARRIED

2.4 Memorial Seat Proposal at MGA Gallery Place Park

Moved Cr McCluskey,

Seconded Cr Paterson

That Council approves the installation of a bench seat in the MGA Gallery Place Park featuring a memorial plaque, in memory of the late Geoffrey McMaster, that will be fully funded by the McMaster family.

Cr Paterson spoke in favour of the motion, noting that Greg McMaster greatly valued access to this space. Cr Paterson also noted that the family would meet the costs of the seating and plaque, with the Council assuming on-going maintenance responsibilities.

Cr Zographos said that he supported the motion and that it was an appropriate way for the Council to consider and pay tribute to members of the community who had made a particular contribution.

Cr Saloumi spoke in support of the motion, noting the value of public seating to those who were elderly or infirm and suggested that a review of public seating be undertaken throughout the municipality. Cr Saloumi said that it was not necessary to agree to the installation of seating only in memory of someone as there was always an opportunity to celebrate the work and efforts of people who were still alive, like Norm Gibbs. Cr Saloumi also suggested the installation of seats that were quirky or different in their design.

Cr James spoke against the motion, saying that he deeply felt for the family, for their loss, but questioned the use of public land to honour individuals in this way. He noted the seat honouring Norm Gibbs, which was installed outside the Mount Waverley Community Centre last year and said that that was a dedication that he supported, where an individual had made a long and significant contribution to their community.

CARRIED

DIVISION

A Division was called.

For: Crs Saloumi, Little, Fergeus, Paterson, McCluskey, Klisaris, Zographos, Tsoi

Against: Cr James

Abstained: Cr Davies

3. CORPORATE SERVICES

3.1 2017/18 Quarterly Financial Management and Capital Works Report

Moved Cr Little,

Seconded Cr Tsoi

That Council:

- 1. Notes the Quarterly Financial Management, Annual Plan and Capital Works Progress Report for the period ending 31 March 2018, presented in accordance with Section 138 of the Local Government Act 1989.*
- 2. Approves the variations contained therein.*

CARRIED

3.2 Cultural and Recreational Land Act (CRLA) Policy Review

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved Cr Fergeus,

Seconded Cr McCluskey

That this item be deferred to the next Council meeting.

CARRIED

4. INFRASTRUCTURE

4.1 Ashwood Reserve Hockey Pitch Sports Lighting Redevelopment

Moved Cr Paterson,

Seconded Cr Little

That Council:

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- 1. Accepts the tender from Commlec Services P/L for Contract No. CF2018064, for the Supply & Installation of Sports Ground Lighting (LED), in accordance with the fixed Lum Sum price of \$403,018 (GST Inclusive) or \$366,380 (GST Exclusive).*
 - 2. Note the anticipated project expenditure of \$412,177 (GST exclusive) and inclusive of Project contingency & Project Management fees;*
 - 3. Approve the Project Contingency of \$36,638 (GST Exclusive for any latent conditions) and Project Management fees of \$9,159 (GST Exclusive).*
 - 4. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to execute the contract agreement and approve any variation that do not exceed the approved project budget.*

CARRIED

4.2 Caloola Reserve Construction of 8 Synthetic Tennis Courts – Contract Variation

Moved Cr James,

Seconded Cr Little

That Council:

- 1. Notes CEO variation approval of \$320,100 (GST Incl.) to the Council approved contract for the Construction of 8 Synthetic Tennis Courts.*
- 2. Notes the revised contract sum of \$1,913,175 (GST Incl.) (Inclusive of contingency sum of \$154,000) for contract CF2018055 with Turf One Pty Ltd.*
- 3. Notes the overall estimated project cost of \$1,959,250 (GST Excl.), inclusive of the Lump Sum Tender price, Project Contingency & Project Management fees, Design and Temporary Club Facilities hire.*

CARRIED

4.3 Eastern Transport Coalition Update

Moved Cr James,

Seconded Cr Little

That Council notes the work being undertaken by the Eastern Transport Coalition in its advocacy campaign in the lead-up to the 2018 State Election.

Cr James said that 12 months ago, he had asked Council to allocate \$20,000 for an advocacy campaign, for the lead up to the State election. He added that the advocacy campaign was well under way, with coverage in the local press in Yarra Ranges, Maroondah and Whitehorse, regarding track duplication on the Belgrave and Lilydale rail lines and there would be advocacy on bus transport, which would involve Monash. Cr James noted that a working group had been established

through the Minister for Transport's office, which included Shaun Leane MP and the heads of PTV and Transport for Victoria, which had discussed bus routes, including Cr Tsoi's suggestion of a bus route from Glen Waverley to Box Hill, via Deakin University, to allow the large Asian demographic in Box Hill and Glen Waverley to link with each other. Cr James said that David Hodgett MP would be invited to the next ETC meeting, to brief him on the working group's activities, to see if the working group could continue should a Liberal Government be elected.

In response to a question from Cr Davies, Cr James clarified that there was the advocacy campaign around transport and that working group with the State Government was completely separate from the advocacy campaign, and that David Hodgett had been invited to be briefed on that working group. He accepted Cr Davies' suggestions that the Greens should also be invited to receive an update on the working group's activities.

Cr Davies said that he would like to see some advocacy around the Rowville rail proposal and encouraged Cr James to put that item forward.

Cr Tsoi congratulated the ETC on its work and Cr James, as Council's representative. He said that he was happy to provide the proposal on a Glen Waverley to Box Hill bus route

The Mayor said that having sat on the ETC for a few years, he assured Cr Davies and the Council that advocacy for the Rowville rail proposal had never stopped. He said that he would always advocate for that proposal, as it was much needed and long overdue.

RIGHT OF REPLY

Cr James said that the Rowville rail project had long been a priority for the ETC, with heavy rail remaining its preference over light rail. The ETC had discussed whether it should campaign on heavy rail, but decided that given the different positions on this between the major political parties, that it would campaign on issues that it could get agreement on from both sides.

CARRIED

5. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS**

5.1 **Assembly of Councillors Record**

Moved Cr Klisaris,

Seconded Cr Fergeus

That Council notes the Assembly of Council records submitted as part of the requirements of the Local Government Act 1989.

CARRIED

6. NOTICES OF MOTION

6.1 Discretionary Fund Applications

Moved Cr Klisaris,

Seconded Cr Paterson

That Council resolves to approve the following application for funding from the Councillors Discretionary Expenditure Fund:

<i>APPLICANT</i>	<i>PURPOSE</i>	<i>AMOUNT RECOMMENDED</i>
<i>Waverley Garden Club Inc. Camellia Garden & Floral Art Show</i>	<i>Hire charges of Mount Waverley Community Centre for annual 2 day show on 18-19/8.</i>	<i>\$1,589.46 excl. GST</i>

CARRIED

6.2 Correspondence To Australian Leisure Hospitality Group

Moved Cr Fergus,

Seconded Cr Paterson

That:

Council write to the Australian Leisure and Hospitality Group (ALH Group) and Woolworths to seek to understand whether certain reported alleged acts continue to, or have previously occurred, within any of the 8 ALH Group owned pokies venues located within the City of Monash, including:

- whether ALH Group and Woolworths monitor or have monitored regular customers of these venues;*
- whether ALH Group and Woolworths have compiled, stored and/or distributed personal information of these individuals with or without their consent;*
- whether ALH Group and Woolworths use or have used this information to try and keep patrons gambling in their venues for longer periods of time.*

CARRIED

6.3 Proposal For Indian Film Festival Melbourne 2018 and Community Celebration

Moved Cr Klisaris,

Seconded Cr James

That Council:

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- *Approves the proposal to present an Indian Film Festival Melbourne (IFFM) 2018 screening and an accompanying community celebration in partnership with community organisation Hindi Niketan as part of the IFFM in August 2018.*
 - *Approves funding of \$28,000 to develop and deliver the community event, pending the success of a Victorian Multicultural Commission (VMC) Grant of \$20,000 currently under consideration.*

The Mayor said that he was delighted to bring the motion to Council, and that it was an opportunity that he believed that the city could not overlook. He added that Monash was home to the fifth largest community in Melbourne, with 9 percent of the Monash community being of Indian descent and he supported the opportunity celebrate Monash's vibrancy and diversity. The Mayor noted that actors from Bollywood would be flying in to attend the festival and the Premier of Victoria's office was also involved. He also noted that there was a proposed contribution from Monash and the VMC's financial support was also needed.

Cr Fergeus said that he supported the substance of the report, but had comments on the procedures, saying that he would like to see future Council budgets have a discretionary allocation set aside a contingency for such opportunities.

In response to a question from Cr Fergeus, the Director Community Development and Services advised that if VMC funding was not approved, the proposal would not proceed.

Cr Saloumi said that she had the same reservations as Cr Fergeus and that the matter should have been included in the Budget process. She added in 2017 the event was sponsored by Hoyts and questioned where the cost of \$8,000 for venue hire came from. Cr Saloumi added that an event like this would be appropriate for a large open space such as Jells Park, not the Glen Waverley Library forecourt and she also asked if Village Cinemas would sponsor the event.

Cr James said that this was a coup for the city and would be an absolutely fantastic event. He agreed that a \$100,000 contingency fund for such situations was needed.

Cr Davies said that he was disappointed over the Budget implications of the proposal, as the Council had just gone through a Budget process and made a lot of hard decisions. He said that although this was a great initiative for the Indian and wider community, he was reluctant to support Council's expenditure given that it had gone through a Budget process. Cr Davies said that if the Mayor wished to propose something like this, it had to be at the cost of something else being taken out of the Budget, and this set a bad precedent. Cr Davies said that if this motion was passed, he had many initiatives that he could bring to Council to advocate for and discuss.

Cr Tsoi congratulated the Mayor on the proposal, saying that he was proud to be part of one of the most diverse and multicultural Councils in Melbourne. He said that the Indian community was proud to call Australia home. Cr Tsoi said that

multicultural groups were humble and therefore waited until the last moment to seek financial support. He added that did not mean that events such as these should not be supported. Cr Tsoi said that all cultures added to the vitality and strength of the Monash community.

RIGHT OF REPLY

The Mayor said that welcomed everyone's contribution and there was a lot merit in what had been said. He said that in relation to this event, the reason it was not brought through the Budget process was that the Council found out very late in the process if it could even be involved in it. He said that he made no apology in celebrating the city's diversity and would take the opportunity when it arose. The Mayor noted and supported Cr Fergeus' proposal for a contingency fund to be established for future Budgets.

CARRIED

6.4 Monash Rail

Moved Cr Davies,

Seconded Cr Zographos

That Council:

- *Notes the \$475m funding in the latest Federal budget allocated towards a "Monash Rail" project connecting Huntingdale station past Monash University to Rowville and consideration of other options.*
- *Notes the \$3m funding in the latest State budget allocated towards a feasibility study for a tram option from Caulfield to Rowville, passing Monash University.*
- *While fully supportive at the prospect of any increase in public transport capacity and funding, notes its preference for the 'Monash Rail' option.*
- *Writes to Hon. Paul Fletcher, Minister for Urban Infrastructure and Cities, confirming Monash Council's longstanding support for the 'Monash Rail' project and requesting further details on the funding commitments related to all stages of the Project.*
- *Writes to Hon. Anthony Albanese MP, Shadow Minister for Infrastructure and Transport confirming Monash Council's longstanding support for the 'Monash Rail' project and requesting that the Opposition outline their funding commitments for the 'Monash Rail' project.*
- *Writes to the Premier of Victoria and Member for Mulgrave, Hon Daniel Andrews MP and the Leader of the Opposition, Hon Matthew Guy MP, confirming Monash Council's longstanding support for heavy rail and requesting they clarify their 2018 election funding commitments to the 'Monash Rail' project and/or the Caulfield to Rowville tram option.*

AMENDMENT

An amendment was moved by Cr James, seconded by Cr Tsoi. As both the mover and seconder of the motion, and the Council agreed to the amendment. It therefore became part of the substantive motion. Consequently, the Substantive Motion considered by Council was:

That Council:

- ***Notes the \$475m funding in the latest Federal budget allocated towards a "Monash Rail" project connecting Huntingdale station past Monash University to Rowville and consideration of other options.***
- ***Notes the \$3m funding in the latest State budget allocated towards a feasibility study for a tram option from Caulfield to Rowville, passing Monash University.***
- ***While fully supportive at the prospect of any increase in public transport capacity and funding, notes its preference for a 'heavy rail' project such as the one envisioned by the 'Monash Rail' proposal.***
- ***Writes to Hon. Paul Fletcher, Minister for Urban Infrastructure and Cities, confirming Monash Council's longstanding support for a 'heavy rail' project consistent with the 'Monash Rail' proposal and requesting further details on the funding commitments related to all stages of the 'Monash Rail' Project.***
- ***Writes to Hon. Anthony Albanese MP, Shadow Minister for Infrastructure and Transport confirming Monash Council's longstanding support for a 'heavy rail' project consistent with the 'Monash Rail' proposal and requesting that the Opposition outline their funding commitments for the 'Monash Rail' project.***
- ***Writes to the Premier of Victoria and Member for Mulgrave, Hon. Daniel Andrews MP and the Leader of the Opposition, Hon. Matthew Guy MP, confirming Monash Council's longstanding support for heavy rail and requesting they clarify their 2018 election funding commitments to the 'Monash Rail' project and/or the Caulfield to Rowville tram option.***

Cr Davies said that there had been announcements on public transport in the last few months, one by the State Government regarding a tram line from Caulfield to Rowville; and a Federal Budget announcement of \$475 million towards a Monash rail proposal. He said that "Rowville rail" had been discussed for many years and now there were funds available to start the project and Monash needed to advocate to Federal and State Members of Parliament, in support of the project, and that it supported heavy rail. Cr Davies said that the Council needed to work on getting commitment from both sides of politics. He said that the Federal funding, plus funding from the State could deliver a rail line to Monash University

Cr Fergeus said that this was worthwhile and it was worthwhile the Council stating what it would like to see happen and what the community wants and this would be a fantastic outcome.

Cr James thanked Cr Davies for submitting the motion and for agreeing to the amendments. He said that he would be happy with a tram line, but it was not the best solution and heavy rail was the best solution. He noted that the rail feasibility study conducted by the previous State Government noted that heavy rail would

not be economically feasible until 2027, which is why the current government supported the light rail option. But that would result in the light rail having to be replaced in 15-20 years. Cr James said that for public transport the cost benefit ration approach needed to be moved away from and that planning was needed for the future, rather than supporting interim solutions. Cr James said that the population was set to double by 2050 and Monash University had plans for significant expansion, doubling its populations, so in 50 years' time, a tram line would not suffice. He said that planning for the future was needed. He thanked Cr Davies for the Motion and noted that its wording, as amended, reflected the Council's preference for heavy rail.

Cr Zographos said that it was exciting to see almost half a million dollars' worth of Commonwealth funding being made. He noted that the ETC had been a long time and consistent advocate for the rail proposal and the first hurdle on this had been overcome. He said that the State Government was speaking with the right tone in terms of moving to the next step. Cr Zographos noted that there was a 2 stage Rowville Rail Feasibility Study, with the second stage detailing the format of the railway station at Huntingdale, where the heavy rail would begin in its connection with Monash University. He noted the proposed route and different elevations of the rail line from Huntingdale, through Monash University, to Rowville. Cr Zographos said that the Federal Government was looking for a 50/50 split with the State Government, until the first stage was completed. He said that if that could be achieved, then the Federal Labor Party's position on this should also be sought, in the event that should form government. Then the project's completion would be assured. Cr Zographos thanked Councillors for the manner in which they had approached this issue.

CARRIED

6.5 Advocacy on Inclusionary Zoning

Moved Cr Paterson,

Seconded Cr Fergeus

That Council writes to the major political parties, requesting that they commit to the introduction of inclusionary zoning for affordable housing as part of a major reform to planning in Victoria in the lead up to the next State election.

Cr Paterson said that this was an initiative of the Eastern Affordable Housing Alliance; it was being discussed by a lot of Councils, will be discussed at the National Local Government Conference and listed for discussion at the MAV conference. She said that there was a desire to see both sides of politics make a commitment to inclusionary zoning. The proposal asks large size developments to include a portion for affordable housing. Cr Paterson said that this was an important initiative given the issues with housing affordability and homelessness, across the country. She said that more effort needed to be put in to ensure that there was adequate affordable housing. Cr Paterson noted that developers appeared to be comfortable with this proposal and make find a way to make their developments profitable, with this inclusion. Cr Paterson said that in 5 years'

time, Monash would have a shortage of over 3,500 affordable homes and work needed to be done to address this huge problem.

Cr Fergeus said that this was an important proposal, noting that the Council had budgeted for the development of an affordable housing strategy and it was appropriate that other levels of government also considered this matter. He said that this was critical to see what the Council could do in relation to affordable housing, to address homelessness and housing stress. He said that the Council should add its voice to the debate on affordable housing and that such a conversation was needed around the State election. He commended the motion to Council.

Cr Davies said that he did not support the motion, even though it was well intended. He added that the Council wanted to see developers put forward good proposals and what they think would meet market requirements and the Council should not be prescriptive in determining the types of developments proposed. He said that there was affordable housing throughout the city of Melbourne, with some suburbs more affordable than others and people needed to live in a suburb that they could afford and developers should not be subsidising housing. Cr Davies said that he did not support the Council being overly prescriptive on something that may not be the right solution

Cr Zographos said that he agreed that there were good intentions, but there were unintended consequences with such a proposal. He said that he was comforted by the advice from Cr Fergeus, that this was not proposed to be compulsory. If it was, he would be totally against it. Cr Zographos said that the development industry had concerns about how the State Government had increased taxes and high regulations on it, which was passed on to buyers. He said that his concern was that such mechanisms would add to the high taxes in this State. He said that he was against the motion, but agreed that affordability was a huge issue, but this was not a way to solve the issue.

Cr James said that if there was affordable housing in Melbourne, he would like to know where it was. He added that someone could not afford to pay a mortgage if they were earning \$40 a day.

Cr Saloumi said that she agreed that the sentiments of Crs Paterson and Fergeus were honourable, but said that there was an oversupply of apartments and the market would decide the price of housing. She added that she understood that there was a tax incentive for property owners who rented properties out at below the market rate, to low income tenants. Cr Saloumi said that there was a scheme for affordable housing and wanted to see governments encouraging jobs growth in areas where land was not so expensive. Cr Saloumi said that there was a State tax on properties that remained vacant for longer than 6 months. She added that it was prescriptive to ask developers to provide a proportion of a development for affordable housing.

RIGHT OF REPLY

Cr Paterson said that as a member of the Eastern Affordable Housing Alliance, the Council has addressed the state of housing across the eastern region. She said that currently there were no affordable properties in Monash for a single person, on benefits, to rent and the shortfall of social housing, in Monash, in 2016 was 2,820 and by 2021, that will rise to 3,070, and across the eastern region, by 2021, the shortfall would be 9,030 properties. Cr Paterson said that 571 additional dwellings per year would be needed over the next 20 years to meet social housing needs. She said that people needed to live in a variety of areas and diversity of housing was needed. Cr Paterson said that both sides of politics admitted that this was a key component of fixing the problem, but each was scared that if they committed and the other didn't, they would lose contributions to their electoral campaign from developers.

CARRIED

DIVISION

A Division was called.

For: Crs Little, Fergeus, Paterson, McCluskey, Klisaris, James

Against: Crs Davies, Zographos, Tsoi

Abstained: Cr Saloumi

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.1 MGA Committee of Management Departing Member and Approval of Member Tenure Extension

Moved Cr McCluskey,

Seconded Cr Klisaris

That Council:

- 1. Formally thanks and acknowledges the contribution of Mr Godfrey Clay for his nine year term on the MGA Committee of Management, which concludes on 31 May 2018.*
- 2. Approves the MGA COM term extension of Mr Les Walkling to 31 March 2019.*
- 3. Approves the MGA COM term extension of Dr Milton Harris, Deputy Chair of the COM, for a further three years to 31 May 2021.*

Cr McCluskey said that over a 9 year period, Mr Clay had made a very significant contribution to the MGA, as both a member of the MGA Committee of Management and as President of the Friends of the MGA. He said that it was no fluke that the MGA was a jewel in the photographic crown, across the nation,

which was in no small part due to the efforts of Mr Clay and his colleagues on the Committee and the Friends of the MGA. Cr McCluskey said that it was a good time to recognise Mr Clay's contribution and support the extension of the tenure of Dr Harris and Mr Walking. The MGA committee of management did great work, on a voluntary basis. He noted that Mr Clay had made an important contribution to the Gallery's photographic collection. Cr McCluskey said that Mr Clay would be missed on the Committee, but would remain on the Friends of the MGA.

Cr James said that having been on the committee, he conveyed his best wishes to Mr Clay, who had been a fantastic and knowledgeable member of Committee. He also expressed his thanks to Mr Walking and Mr Harris for their continued service to the Committee and the Committee would be served well by the extension of their tenure.

Cr Davies said that Mr Walking and Mr Harris had been great contributors to the Committee for some years. He added that Mr Clay had been a fantastic contributor to the Committee. He was a Wheelers Hill resident who had made a great commitment to the Gallery in a number of ways and really drove the Friends of the MGA. Cr Davies said that it was disappointing to see Mr Clay step down from the Committee but understood that 9 years had been a big commitment and he would be missed.

CARRIED

8. URGENT BUSINESS

Moved Cr James,

Seconded Cr Klisaris

That the matter of car parking at Oakleigh Central be admitted as an Item of Urgent Business.

Cr James said that it stemmed from the introduction of paid parking, which Council had recently approved, but also the shopping centre management had reduced the free parking down from 3 hours to 1.5 hours and there was genuine concern in the community about that. He added that the matter was urgent as the change was to be implemented in the week following the Council meeting.

CARRIED

Moved Cr James,

Seconded Cr Klisaris

That Council writes to the owners of Oakleigh Central expressing the community's concerns with the changes to the parking limits and calling on them to extend the free parking to 3 hours to match the previous restriction and to engage in consultation with traders and the community.

Cr James said that residents had complained about the proposed change. He added that the Council was aware of the introduction of paid parking at Oakleigh Central. But

the assumption had been that the parking restrictions would remain at 3 hours. Cr James said that he understood that the centre management were concerned about the parking being used for commuter parking and a parking spot for Eaton Mall patrons. He said that it was reasonable to prevent commuter parking in the centre, but didn't agree with preventing Mall users parking there. The Council had built a multi-deck car park in Atkinson Street and did not preclude shoppers at the centre parking there. Cr James said that most people who parked at Oakleigh Central did all or most of their shopping there. He said that people needed more time to shop than was proposed. Also, shoppers who spent above a certain amount of money at Woolworths or Coles would be entitled to park for free for longer and this had raised concerns about other traders being disadvantaged. Cr James said that Oakleigh Central needed to consult with traders and the community.

Cr Zographos said that everyone who he had spoken to had been caught off guard by the timing of the proposal. He said his concern was for people who were not familiar with the paid parking method. He thought that it would be useful to have translation in community languages on how to use the paid parking machines and educating the community on the use of the machines. Cr Zographos noted that the Council would no longer enforce the parking restrictions at this site, as it had in the past. The Council had a great car park in Atkinson Street car park.

Cr Davies said that a 90 minute limit was not his expectation and that most centres allowed 3 hours' parking. In response to questions from Cr Davies, it was confirmed that it was not proposed for the Council to get involved in discussions with traders or the community, the enforcement of parking restrictions would no longer be undertaken by Council and the Atkins Street car park time limit was 3 hours.

In response to a question from Cr Saloumi, the Mayor advised that those with disabled parking stickers could register with the centre's management and had access to all day free parking. Cr Saloumi that at Chadstone Shopping Centre, a quick stop was likely to be 3 hours. She added that she imagined that this was being done to prevent Eaton Mall patrons using the centre's car parking.

Cr Tsoi asked that reference to Centro Oakleigh be changed to Oakleigh Central, which was agreed to.

The Mayor said that the community outcry on the proposal was high and there were concerns from the multicultural community and also the elderly within the community, about the change. The Mayor said that Oakleigh Central were being insensitive and a lack of understanding of and compassion for the local community. He said that he had also been surprised by the proposal and that there had been no consultation. The Mayor noted that the Council had enforced the parking restrictions at the centre for a long time and those who exceeded the time limit were fined. He said that he considered that the proposal was driven by greed. The Mayor also noted that this would have an impact on traders, if patrons of the centre were discouraged by the new arrangement from shopping there. The Mayor said that he would never support paid parking.

CARRIED

9. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Moved Cr McCluskey,

Seconded Cr Klisaris

That Council, having reviewed and considered the certificates in relation to the matters listed for confidential business, and being satisfied that it is appropriate and necessary to consider these matters at a closed meeting, resolves to close the meeting to the public in accordance with section 89(2) of the Local Government Act 1989 for the reasons specified in the certificates.

CARRIED

10. PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS

Nil

10. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

11.1 Cr James advised

- that a drop in centre for mothers had been established in Cabeena Crescent, Oakleigh. There was a high take up of the service.
- Opening of Samada Street playground, Notting Hill on 21 May 2018, which was very well attended. Further plans were being developed for a community garden and dog off-leash area.
- Noted the completion of the refurbishment works of the Oakleigh Service Centre.

11.2 Cr McCluskey said that

- Attended Eaton Mall to highlight the changes to the community safety fund – proposed infrastructure improvements to the Mall by the end of the year to enhance community safety.
- Attended, with the Mayor and Cr Davies, a community meeting, to address community concerns about traffic safety concerns around Brandon Park. It was a very well attended meeting and residents were highly engaged and prepared to be part of the solution. Cr McCluskey noted that an advisory group involving residents, officers and councillors had been formed to try to address the issues.
- Attended Harlequins Club President's Lunch. He noted the quick response by Council staff in resolving the pressing issue on that day of all the toilets at the facility being blocked.

11.3 Cr Davies

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- Advised that all 3 Mulgrave Ward councillors attended the community meeting to address traffic safety concerns in the Brandon Park area. It was clearly an issue.
 - noted that he was attending the MGA's annual dinner on the coming Saturday.
 - thanked the Mayor for providing inspiration to people under the old saying of if you first don't succeed, try, try again, noting that the Mayor had sought pre-selection for the Federal seat of Chisholm. He wished the Mayor well.

11.4 Cr Zographos:

- advised that he had attended the Volunteers' afternoon tea at Huntingdale Golf Club.
- congratulated the new Duke and Duchess of Sussex and he attended a tea party on that day as well.

11.5 Cr Saloumi advised the Council that she had attended the

- Volunteers' afternoon tea at Huntingdale Golf Club, sharing a table with Positive Ageing participants and sat next to John, who received a certificate for 20 years' volunteering, but had been involved with Halcyon Day Care since the 1980's. She also sat next to Pat, who volunteered at the new centre for mothers in Cabeena Crescent and its success looked likely to see the establishment of a centre in Glen Waverley.
- MBA networking evening, which was well attended.

11.6 Cr Tsoi said that

- he had the pleasure of attending the Chine Women's Health Day event, on the Mayor's behalf. He noted that the event was a joint initiative of the Council, Link Health and Australian Chinese Medical Association of Victoria. He said that this was a very successful event.
- he attended the Women's Business Network meeting, which was a fantastic event.

11.7 Cr Fergeus passed on a compliment to the Infrastructure team. He said that he had recently met a member of the Monash Pride crew, Drew, who was a very committed and passionate young man. Cr Fergeus said that this person greatly enjoyed his work on the Monash Pride crew and cared a great deal about doing his job well. Cr Fergeus requested that his comments be passed on to Drew.

11.8 The Mayor

- noted that Story Time was held at the Clayton Library last week;
- noted the celebration of the achievements of volunteers in the community, through the afternoon tea at Huntingdale Golf Club
- advised of "The Biggest Morning Tea" event held at the Civic Centre, which was a fund raising event for cancer research.

The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 9.30 pm

MAYOR:

DATED THIS DAY OF 2018