

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF

COUNCIL

**HELD ON 9 JUNE 2020** 

at 7.00 pm

Council Chambers 293 Springvale Road, Glen Waverley

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MONASH CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SPRINGVALE ROAD GLEN WAVERLEY ON 9 JUNE 2020 AT 7.00 PM.

**PRESENT**:

Councillors S James (Mayor), MT Pang Tsoi (Deputy Mayor), J Fergeus,

G Lake, B Little, S McCluskey, P Klisaris, L Saloumi, T Zographos

## **APOLOGIES**:

Cr R Davies and Cr R Paterson

### **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Nil.

### **ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

1. 2020/2021 Monash Community Grants Program

Moved Cr Little

Seconded Cr Tsoi

That the 2020 Monash Community Grants Program be brought forward and considered at this meeting of Council.

**CARRIED** 

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved Cr James,

Seconded Cr McCluskey

That the 2020 Monash Community Grants Program be retrieved for consideration by Council.

**CARRIED** 

**MOTION** 

Moved Cr Little

Seconded Cr Tsoi

That Council approves the in-principle allocation of the 2020/21 Monash Community Grants Program budget (\$2,563,767.07), subject to the adoption of Council's 2020/21 budget, in the following way:

- a) Allocates a total of \$1,770,927.65 in financial and in-kind grant allocations to local community groups and organisations in line with the Monash Community Grants Program Policy & Guidelines; and
- Notes that the majority of projects will commence on 1 January 2021, with the exception of Neighbourhood Houses and Specialist Services being given an earlier commencement date to ensure ongoing service delivery; and
- c) Quarantines \$100,000 for the establishment of a Quick Response Grant program that will assist groups to reconnect with their members and encourage community strengthening. A report will be provided at a later stage outlining the policy and procedures for this new grant program.

**AMENDMENT** 

Moved Cr James,

Seconded Cr McCluskey

That the motion be amended to read as follows:

#### That Council:

- a) Allocates a maximum \$2,419,659.12 in financial and in kind support, funding 199 applications for their recommended full year funding; 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020 30 June 2021; so that funding is available to all grants recipient as they are able to commence programs in line with the lifting of covid19 restrictions
- Authorises officers to allocate funding on a pro-rata basis to groups and/or organisations who have had to defer their event/program due to current State Government restrictions and cannot proceed with their grant until such restrictions are lifted;
- c) Requires all approved applicants to demonstrate that they are meeting the social distancing and hygiene requirements as stipulated by the State Government In order to receive their grant allocation;
- d) Notes that a number of groups may choose to not accept their funding due to the restrictions making it too difficult to run their event or program;
- e) Quarantines \$135,000 for the establishment of a Quick Response Grant program that will assist groups to reconnect with their members and encourage community strengthening
- f) Allocates an additional \$15,000 to Wavecare Counselling Services for one financial year only from the existing Community Grants budget, given the significant impact that COVID-19 has had on the organisation's ability to raise revenue through sponsorship and donations.

As the amendment was acceptable to the mover and seconder of the motion and to the Council, it became part of the substantive motion.

### SUBSTANTIVE MOTION

The motion, as amended, became the substantive motion. It was discussed, voted on and declared carried.

**CARRIED** 

## 2 2020/21 Monash Quick Response Grant Program

Moved Cr Little,

Seconded Cr Tsoi

That Council

- a) Endorses the establishment of a Quick Response Grant Program
- b) Allocates a total of \$135,000 to this fund, that will be funded from the existing Monash Community Grant Program

**AMENDMENT** 

Moved Cr James,

Seconded Cr McCluskey

That part b) of the motion be deleted.

As the amendment was acceptable to the mover and seconder of the motion and to the Council, it became part of the substantive motion.

SUBSTANTIVE MOTION

The motion, as amended, became the substantive motion. It was discussed, voted on and declared carried.

**CARRIED** 

The Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 7.10 pm

CHAIRPERSON:

DATED THIS 25 DAY OF 15 22 2020