CITY OF
MONASH

MINUTES

MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD ON

TUESDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2026

at 7:00 PM

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COUNCIL CHAMBER

CIVIC CENTRE, 293 SPRINGVALE ROAD, GLEN WAVERLEY

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1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Monash Council acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the lands on which we meet, the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung and Bunurong People, and recognises their continuing connection to the land and waterways.
We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging and extend this to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People.

2 PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

PRESENT

Councillors: R Paterson (Mayor), P Klisaris (Deputy Mayor), A de Silva, J Fergeus, S James, G Lake, E Lee, B Little, C Little, N Luo, S McCluskey.

Officers: A Diamond, V Blackman, J Doake, I Kelly, P Panagakos, T Scicluna, S Wickes, B Alcock, C Aslanidis, G Budhiraja.

APOLOGIES

Nil.

3 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved: Cr Klisaris Seconded: Cr Luo

MOTION

That the minutes of the following meeting be taken as read and confirmed:

- **Additional Meeting of Council held on 13 October 2026**

CARRIED

Moved: Cr Klisaris Seconded: Cr B Little

MOTION

That the minutes of the following meeting be taken as read and confirmed:

- **Meeting of Council held on 27 October 2026**

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5 RECEPTION AND READING OF PETITIONS, JOINT LETTERS AND MEMORIALS

Nil.

6 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The Mayor advised that one (1) question had been received.

Question 1: Christopher Shelton from Ashwood

On 14 November, I lodged a formal complaint about nine abandoned shopping trolleys on Winbirra Parade, Ashwood. I later counted 11 along the same stretch. Council sent an automated acknowledgement. More than a week later, I've received no substantive response. The trolleys remain.

1. How does Council hold retailers accountable for collecting abandoned trolleys reported directly to them through Snap Send Solve or via the council website?
2. Given that coin-deposit locks are not preventing trolley abandonment in Ashwood, will Council commit to a timeframe for reviewing clause 47.2 of its Community Safety and Amenity Local Law 2024 to require approved perimeter constraint systems in place of coin-deposit locks?
3. Will Council consider requiring retailers to regularly patrol nearby streets in Ashwood to collect their abandoned trolleys without waiting for residents to report them

The Council provided the following response:

Thank you for reporting the abandoned trolleys on 14, 16 and 19 November. Dumped shopping trolleys are a nuisance. Our officers have inspected the area and are working with the relevant retailers to have the trolleys removed, as well as discussing measures so that the issue does not re-occur. Some have been removed and we expect the rest will be removed shortly.

Council undertakes proactive inspections around problem areas and investigates reports of abandoned trolleys. We encourage residents to report abandoned shopping trolleys as we are not always aware of an issue when it arises. Where we know where the trolleys come from, we contact the retailer to collect them, or we impound them including when they are not collected by a retailer. Where appropriate we can and do issue fines and can consider further action if necessary.

We cannot require a retailer to patrol nearby streets to collect abandoned shopping trolleys, but where issues arise and are repeated, we do engage with the retailer, including suggesting how they may address an issue which includes regular patrols. Our current local law does include a requirement for a perimeter constraint system and we are working with the retailers in this area to introduce a system.

Council shares your frustration on this issue and we are working to try and improve the situation in Ashwood and across the Municipality.

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7 OFFICERS' REPORTS

7.1 City Development

7.1.1 TOWN PLANNING SCHEDULE

Moved: Cr B Little Seconded: Cr Luo

MOTION

That Council notes the report containing the Town Planning Schedules.

CARRIED

7.1.2 TPA/48008/A - 374-384 BLACKBURN ROAD, GLEN WAVERLEY - EXTENSION OF TIME

Moved: Cr Luo Seconded: Cr Klisaris

MOTION

That Council resolves to issue an extension of time to Planning Permit No. TPA/48008/A for the development and use for the purpose of a Place of Worship, alteration of access to a Transport Zone and reduction in the standard car parking rate pursuant to the provisions of Section 69(2) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987.

1. **That in accordance with Section 69(2) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987, the time for commencement of the development be extended by a further one (1) year. The development must commence by 1 August 2027 and be completed by 1 August 2029.**

CARRIED

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7.1.3 TPA/47508 - 13 MANDOWIE ROAD, GLEN WAVERLEY - EXTENSION OF TIME

Moved: Cr McCluskey Seconded: Cr B Little

MOTION

That Council resolves to issue an Extension of time to Planning Permit TPA/47508 for the construction of two dwellings at 13 Mandowie Road, Glen Waverley pursuant to the provisions of Section 69(2) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.

1. **That in accordance with Section 69(2) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*, the time for commencement of the development be extended by a further one (1) year. The development must commence by 10 September 2027 and must be completed by 10 September 2029.**

CARRIED

7.1.4 TPA/43046/A - 13 TUHAN STREET, CHADSTONE - EXTENSION OF TIME

Moved: Cr Lee Seconded: Cr B Little

MOTION

That Council resolves to issue an Extension of time to Planning Permit TPA/43046/A for the development of two double storey dwellings at 13 Tuhan Street, Chadstone, pursuant to the provisions of Section 69 (2) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987.

1. **That in accordance with Section 69(2) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987, the time for the completion of the development be extended by a further one (1) year. The development must be completed by 28 November 2027.**

CARRIED

7.1.5 TPA/47526 - 570 NEERIM ROAD, HUGHESDALE - EXTENSION OF TIME

Moved: Cr Klisaris Seconded: Cr McCluskey

MOTION

That Council resolves to issue an Extension of time to Planning Permit No. TPA/47526 for the construction of five, three storey dwellings and reduction in one visitor car parking space at 570 Neerim Road, Hughesdale pursuant to the provisions of Section 69(2) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987.*

1. **That in accordance with Section 69(2) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*, the time for the commencement of the development be extended by a further one (1) year. The development must commence by 19 September 2027 and completed by 19 September 2029.**

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7.1.6 SALE OF FRONT OF 36 MARYKIRK DRIVE, WHEELERS HILL

Moved: Cr McCluskey Seconded: Cr Luo

MOTION

That Council

1. **Resolves to commence the statutory process pursuant to Section 114 of the *Local Government Act 2020* (the Act) to sell the Council land at the front of 36 Marykirk Drive, Wheelers Hill VIC 3150, being the land described as Lot 3 on TP896153K contained in certificate of tile volume 10997 folio 207 (the Land) to the owner of the adjoining land parcel at 36 Marykirk Drive, Wheelers Hill or their Nominee for market value or as otherwise agreed (the Proposal) for the reasons set out in this report.**
2. **Gives public notice of the Proposal in accordance with Section 114 of the Act and Council's Community Engagement Policy, on Council's website from 1 December 2026 and invites submissions on the Proposal for a period of at least 28 days from that date as detailed in the consultation section of this report.**
3. **Authorises Council's Chief Executive Officer or her delegate to undertake the administrative procedures necessary to enable Council to fulfil the requirements of Section 114 of the Act and Council's Community Engagement Policy in respect of the Proposal.**
4. **Appoints a Committee of Council (Committee) comprising the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillor for the Waverley Park Ward to hear any submitters requesting to be heard and consider any submissions received at a meeting to be held on 19 January 2027 at 6.30pm at the Monash City Council Civic Centre, 293 Springvale Road, Glen Waverley, or at such a later time and date as the Chief Executive Officer may determine.**
5. **Directs the Committee to provide a report to Council on its considerations, including whether any submissions were received and, if so, a summary of those submissions, and make a recommendation to Council on whether to proceed with the Proposal.**

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7.2 Community Services

7.2.1 FREE FROM VIOLENCE COMMITMENT STATEMENT

Moved: Cr Klisaris Seconded: Cr Lee

MOTION

That Council endorses the Free From Violence Commitment Statement:

Monash Council believes that everyone should feel safe, respected, and celebrated, regardless of our differences.

We are committed to the prevention of family violence and all forms of violence against women. We have zero tolerance for any type of gendered violence.

We support gender equality, diversity, and inclusion, and believe that we all have a role to prevent violence before it begins.

CARRIED

7.2.2 CIVIC SUPPORT FUND - NOVEMBER 2026 RECOMMENDATIONS

Moved: Cr McCluskey Seconded: Cr Luo

MOTION

That Council

1. **Notes the following applications received for November 2026 under Civic Support Fund.**

	APPLICANT	PURPOSE	AMOUNT REQUESTED
A	Xin Zhao	Monash Community Chinese-Language Parent-Child Reading Program	$500
B	Mr Pierre Kaldawi	Active Kids Monash Summer Movement Day	$500

2. **Notes the officer's recommendation to approve Application A for funding in accordance with the Civic Support Fund Policy, and to not approve Application B.**
3. **Resolves to approve Application A for funding in accordance with the Civic Support Fund Policy.**

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7.3 Corporate Services

7.3.1 2027 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Moved: Cr Luo Seconded: Cr Klisaris

MOTION

That Council adopts the 2027 Council Meeting Schedule as set out in Attachment 1, with the adopted schedule to be published on Council's website.

CARRIED

7.3.2 INFORMAL MEETING OF COUNCILLORS RECORDS

Moved: Cr Klisaris Seconded: Cr B Little

MOTION

That Council notes the records of Informal Meetings of Councillors as attached to this report.

CARRIED

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7.4 City Services

7.4.1 2027008 HAVERBRACK DRIVE ROAD REHABILITATION, MULGRAVE

Moved: Cr Klisaris Seconded: Cr McCluskey

MOTION

That Council

1. **Awards the tender from TDM Earthworks Pty Ltd for Haverbrack Drive, Mulgrave - Road Rehabilitation, Contract No. 2027008 for a Fixed Lump Sum of $3,467,528.25 with an extra $350,000 for Contingencies.**
2. **Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or her delegate to execute the contract agreement.**
3. **Notes that the contract will commence in February 2027 and is expected to be completed by the end of September 2027.**
4. **Notes that the anticipated project expenditure including the Fixed Lump Sum, Project Management and Design Fees and Service Authority Relocation Fees is $3,657,528.25 with an extra $350,000 for Contingencies.**
5. **Notes the anticipated surplus of $1,757,471.75 for this project across the 2026/27/28 financial years.**

Please note that all dollar figures are GST exclusive unless stated otherwise

CARRIED

7.4.2 CONTRACT 2027016 - DRAINAGE WORKS AT GLASSON SQUARE, DUNSMUIR DRIVE AND AMBER GROVE, MOUNT WAVERLEY

Moved: Cr B Little Seconded: Cr Luo

MOTION

That Council

1. **Awards the tender from Comar Constructions Pty Ltd for Drainage Works at Glasson Square, Dunsmuir Drive and Amber Grove, Mount Waverley, Contract No. 2027016 for a Fixed Lump Sum of $1,523,045 with an extra $150,000 for Contingencies.**
2. **Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or her delegate to execute the contract agreement.**
3. **Notes that the anticipated contract commencement date is mid-February 2027 and is anticipated to be completed by mid-May 2027.**
4. **Approves a budget increase of $414,045 for Project C01480 – Glasson Square, Mount Waverley – Drainage Construction.**

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5. **Notes that the anticipated project expenditure including the fixed Lump Sum, Project Management Fees, Design Consultancy & Investigation Fees are $1,633,045 with an extra $150,000 for Contingencies.**

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7.5 Chief Executive Officer

Nil.

8 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil.

9 URGENT BUSINESS

Nil.

10 CONSIDERATION OF WRITTEN REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Nil.

11 PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS

Nil.

12 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cr James provided comments on:

- Remembrance Day service held by Oakleigh Carnegie RSL.
- Remembrance Day service held by Clayton RSL, which was represented by the Mayor, Cr Paterson.
- The efforts of the City Service team and the director for the way cenotaphs are presented to our community.

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13 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

13.0 MOVE INTO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Moved: Cr Klisaris Seconded: Cr James

PROCEDURAL MOTION

That Council resolves to close the meeting to the public in accordance with section 66(2) of *the Local Government Act 2020* for the reasons specified in the certificates.

CARRIED

The Council moved into Confidential Business at 7:23PM.

RETURN TO OPEN COUNCIL
The Council returned to Open Council at 7:26PM.

14 MEETING CLOSURE

The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 7:26PM.

MAYOR: .....

DATED: XX

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