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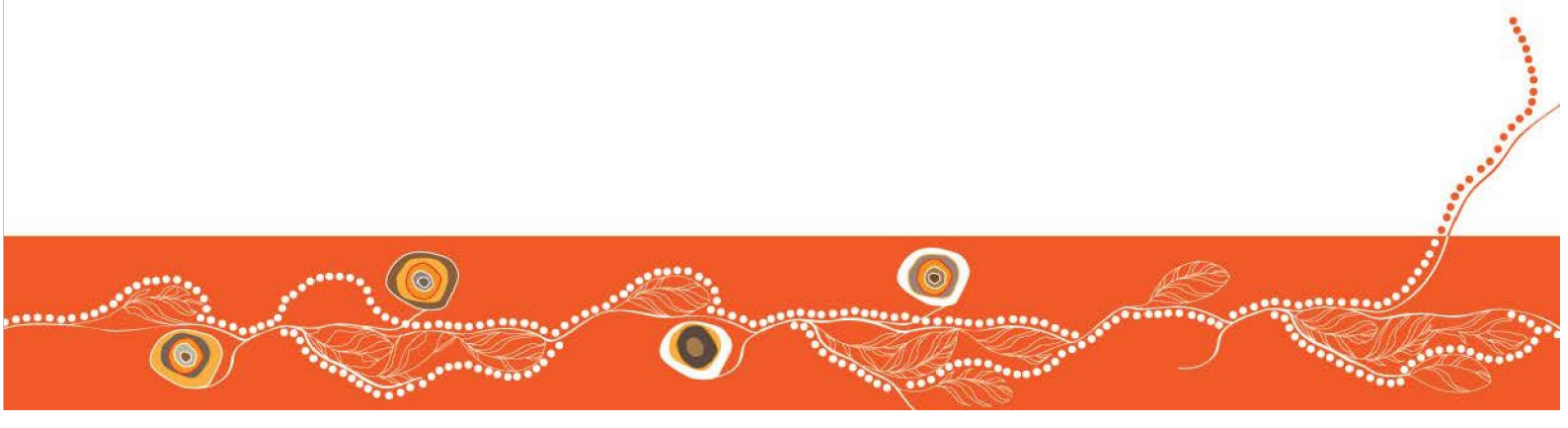
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS AND ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER COMMUNITIES IN DAREBIN

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English

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Arabic

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Greek

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Hindi

ये काउंसिल की बैठक का सारांश है। सारांश के किसी भी आइटम में सहायता के लिए, कृपया 8470 8888 पर टेलीफोन करें।

Italian

Questo è il verbale della riunione del Comune. Per assistenza con qualsiasi punto del verbale, si prega di chiamare il numero 8470 8888.

Macedonian

Ова е Записникот од состанокот на Општинскиот одбор. За помош во врска со која и да било точка од записникот, ве молиме телефонирајте на 8470 8888.

Nepali

यी परिषद्को बैठकका माइन्युटहरू हुन्। माइन्युटका कुनै पनि वस्तुसम्बन्धी सहायताका लागि कृपया 8470 8888 मा कल गर्नुहोस्।

Punjabi

ਇਹ ਕੌਂਸਲ ਦੀ ਮੀਟਿੰਗ ਵਾਸਤੇ ਸੰਖੇਪ ਸਾਰਾਂਸ਼ ਹੈ। ਸੰਖੇਪ ਸਾਰਾਂਸ਼ ਵਿਚਲੀਆਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਆਈਟਮਾਂ ਸੰਬੰਧੀ ਸਹਾਇਤਾ ਵਾਸਤੇ, ਕਿਰਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ 8470 8888 ਨੂੰ ਟੈਲੀਫੋਨ ਕਰੋ।

Somali

Kuwaani waa qodobadii lagaga wada hadlay Fadhiga Golaha. Caawimada mid kasta oo ka mid ah qodobada laga wada hadlay, fadlan la xiriiir 8470 8888.

Spanish

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Urdu

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Vietnamese

Đây là những Biên bản Họp Hội đồng Thành phố. Muốn có người trợ giúp mình về bất kỳ mục nào trong biên bản họp, xin quý vị gọi điện thoại số 8470 8888.

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MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE DAREBIN CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 10 MAY 2021

THE MEETING OPENED AT 6.01PM

1. OPENING OF MEETING AND MEMBERSHIP

The Mayor advised that the meeting was being streamed live and that audio and video would be made available on Council's website.

Councillors

Cr. Lina Messina (Mayor) (Chairperson)

Cr. Gaetano Greco (Deputy Mayor)

Cr. Tom Hannan

Cr. Tim Laurence

Cr. Trent McCarthy

Cr. Susanne Newton

Cr. Susan Rennie

Cr. Julie Williams

Council Officers

Jodie Watson - General Manager Governance and Engagement

Rachel Ollivier - General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy

Anita Craven - Manager Governance and Corporate Strategy

Stephen Mahon - Coordinator Council Business

Karlee Ferrante - Council Business Officer

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

The Chairperson, Mayor Messina, opened the meeting with the following statement:

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3. APOLOGIES

An apology was received for Cr. Emily Dimitriadis.

4. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

5. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

5.1 COUNCIL PLAN AND FINANCIAL PLAN DELIBERATIVE ENGAGEMENT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to progress and continue with the requirements for deliberative engagement on the draft Council Plan (incorporating Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan) priorities and draft Financial Plan.

It outlines the dilemmas for the Darebin Community Engagement Panel to deliberate on in relation to the Council Plan (incorporating Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan) and Financial Plan.

The proposed dilemmas are:

Waste Services

Waste costs have been increasing and are expected to keep increasing significantly because of market forces and new state government obligations. It is estimated the cost to deliver waste services will increase from around \$16 million per year in 2020-21 to around \$25 million a year in 2030-31 (in ten years time).

Dilemmas

- *What is the community prepared to accept to cover the full cost and also increasing cost of the waste service? Would an increase in waste charges be acceptable with the same level of service or should an increased or adjusted level of service be considered?*
- *Many people contact council asking for higher levels of service or investment in establishing a circular economy (such as weekly pick ups of green waste bins). This would also increase costs. Are higher levels of service something that community is happy to pay for?*
- *How should we deal with disadvantage – should everyone pay more or should some services be free for those experiencing disadvantage, even if this means slightly higher costs covered by others?*

Community Safety

Community Safety is an important priority for Council and is proposing to develop a community Safety Framework as part of the draft Council Plan/Health and Wellbeing Plan priorities. In addition to Council, there are other key agencies, that play a key role in providing for a safe community. There are a number of ways in which Council supports safety, including

- Keeping the city clean and tidy
- Well light and well-designed spaces
- Working in partnership other agencies to provide for a safe community *Dilemmas*

- *What is the expectation of the role Council have in providing for a safe community and what initiatives or relationships should be prioritised to have the most impact?*
- *In any year, council can improve a few public spaces because of the cost involved. How should council prioritise where to improve first?*

The panel will provide recommendations based on these dilemmas for Council to consider in the finalising of the Council Plan (incorporating Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan) and Financial Plan for adoption on 28 June 2021.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

- (1) Endorses the following Waste Services dilemmas for the Darebin Deliberative Engagement Panel to deliberate on for the Council Plan (incorporating Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan) and Financial Plan:
 - What is the community prepared to accept to cover the full cost and also increasing cost of the waste service? Would an increase in waste charges be acceptable with the same level of service or should an increased or adjusted level of service be considered?
 - Many people contact council asking for higher levels of service or investment in establishing a circular economy (such as weekly pick ups of green waste bins). This would also increase costs. Are higher levels of service something that community is happy to pay for?
 - How should we deal with disadvantage – should everyone pay more or should some services be free for those experiencing disadvantage, even if this means slightly higher costs covered by others?
- (2) Endorses the following Community Safety dilemmas for the Darebin Deliberative Engagement Panel to deliberate on for the Council Plan (incorporate Municipal Health and Wellbeing Plan) and Financial Plan:
 - What is the expectation of the role Council have in providing for a safe community and what initiatives or relationships should be prioritised to have the most impact?
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Motion

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy
SECONDED: Cr. S Rennie

That the Officer Recommendation be adopted.

Amendment**MOVED: Cr. T Laurence****SECONDED: Cr. G Greco**

That the Officer Recommendation be amended to delete the first dot point of part (1) as follows:

- What is the community prepared to accept to cover the full cost and also increasing cost of the waste service? Would an increase in waste charges be acceptable with the same level of service or should an increased or adjusted level of service be considered?

The mover and seconder of the motion did not consent to the amendment.

This amendment was put and lost.

LOST**For:** Cr's. Greco, Laurence, Williams (3)**Against:** Cr's Hannan, McCarthy, Messina, Newton, Rennie (5)**Further Amendment****MOVED: Cr. T Laurence****SECONDED: Cr. G Greco**

That the Officer Recommendation be amended to include a point (3) as follows:

- (3) Endorses the following Generating Equity to address disadvantage dilemmas for the Darebin Deliberative Engagement Panel to deliberate on for the Council Plan (incorporate Municipal Health and Wellbeing Plan) and Financial Plan:
- Has Council got it right? Is it enough? If more can be done what would this look like and what should we do less of and what is the benefit of what is proposed

The seconder of the motion did not consent to the amendment.

The amendment was put and carried.

CARRIED**For:** Cr's Greco, Hannan, Laurence, McCarthy, Messina, Williams (6)**Against:** Cr's Newton and Rennie (2)

The amendment became the substantive motion and was put and carried unanimously .

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 21-115****MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy****SECONDED: Cr. S Rennie****That Council:**

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. CLOSE OF MEETING


The meeting closed at 6.37pm.

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