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MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Monday, 30 January 2017

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**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
DAREBIN CITY COUNCIL HELD AT DAREBIN CIVIC CENTRE,
350 HIGH ST, PRESTON ON MONDAY 30 JANUARY 2017**

THE MEETING OPENED AT 6.33 PM

WELCOME

The Chairperson, Cr. Le Cerf, in opening the meeting acknowledged the Wurundjeri people, the traditional owners of the land.

1. PRESENT

Councillors

Cr. Kim Le Cerf (Mayor) (Chairperson)

Cr. Steph Amir

Cr. Gaetano Greco

Cr. Trent McCarthy

Cr. Lina Messina

Cr. Susanne Newton

Cr. Susan Rennie

Cr. Julie Williams

Council Officers

Philip Shanahan – Acting Chief Executive Officer

Ellie Mandritis – Acting Director Civic Governance and Compliance

Blaga Naumoski – Manager Governance and Corporate Information

Katia Croce – Council Business Coordinator

Public Notice – Special Council Meeting 30 January 2017

Insufficient lead time was available to provide the required minimum 7 days public notice for this meeting as per section 89 (4) of the Local Government Act 1989. Public notice was given in 'The Age' newspaper on 25 January 2017 and published on Council's website on 25 January 2017.

Notwithstanding the above requirement involving at least 7 days public notice, section 89 (4A) of the Act provides that if urgent or extraordinary circumstances prevent compliance with this requirement, Council must give public notice as is practicable and specify in the minutes the urgent or extraordinary circumstances which prevented compliance.

The urgency in this matter is due to MAV Rule 6.1, the representative needs to be appointed by 3 February 2017 for this year's elections.

2. APOLOGIES

An apology was lodged on behalf of Cr. Laurence.

3. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

4. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

4.1 CHANGE TO THE MAV REPRESENTATIVE FROM DAREBIN

MINUTE NO. 57

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Reviewed By: Mayor

Report Background

This report responds to an urgent issue that relates to forthcoming Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) Board and President elections.

Previous Council Resolution

At its meeting of 14 November 2016, Council resolved:

'That Councillor S. Rennie be appointed as Council representative to the MAV for 2016/2017 Council Year.'

Council Plan Goal/Endorsed Strategy

Goal 6 - Open and Accountable Democracy

Summary

This report seeks to make a change to the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) representative, Cr. Rennie from Darebin to Cr. Coral Ross a Boroondara Councillor.

In December, Boroondara Council decided not to appoint a representative to the MAV. The action by Boroondara Council will result in Cr Ross, who is the interim MAV President, being unable to stand for President of the Board in the forthcoming elections.

Boroondara Council's Cr. Ross is able to be appointed as the MAV representative of another Council who chooses to appoint her.

Should Council choose to appoint Cr. Ross as the MAV representative, there is also an opportunity for her to stand and be elected President of the MAV.

Recommendation

That Council:

- (1) Note on 14 November 2016 Council appointed Cr. S. Rennie as the representative to the MAV for 2016/2017 Council Year.
- (2) Appoint Cr. Coral Ross as the representative to the MAV from Monday 30 January until the remainder of the 2016/2017 Council Year.

Council Resolution

MOVED: Cr. T. McCarthy

SECONDED: Cr. S. Rennie

That Council:

- (1) Note on 14 November 2016 Council appointed Cr. S. Rennie as the representative to the MAV for 2016/2017 Council Year.
- (2) Appoint Cr. Coral Ross as the representative to the MAV from Monday 30 January until the declaration of the MAV Board and President elections.
- (3) Appoints Cr. Susan Rennie as the representative to the MAV upon completion of the MAV Board and President election for the remainder of the 2016/2017 Council Year.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 6.45 pm.