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MINUTES OF THE HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

Held on Wednesday 19 May 2021

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS
COMMITTEE OF THE DAREBIN CITY COUNCIL HELD AT PRESTON
TOWN HALL, 284 GOWER STREET ON WEDNESDAY 19 MAY 2021**

THE MEETING OPENED AT 6.02PM

1. PRESENT

Councillors

Cr. Lina Messina (Mayor) (Chairperson)

Cr. Gaetano Greco (Deputy Mayor)

Cr. Emily Dimitriadis

Cr. Tom Hannan (Arrived 6.16pm)

Cr. Trent McCarthy

Cr. Susanne Newton

Cr. Susan Rennie

Cr. Julie Williams (Arrived 6.03pm)

Council Officers

Sue Wilkinson - Chief Executive Officer

Kerry McGrath - General Manager Communities

Rachel Ollivier - General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy

Sam Hewett – General Manager Operations and Capital

Jodie Watson – General Manager Governance and Engagement

Anita Craven - Manager Governance and Corporate Strategy

Damian Hogan – Manager Finance

Stephen Mahon - Coordinator Council Business

Rachna Gupta Singh - Senior Council Business Officer

2. APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Cr. Tim Laurence

3. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

4. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

4.1 2021-2025 COUNCIL PLAN (INCORPORATING MUNICIPAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELLBEING PLAN) PRIORITIES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At its meeting on 8 April 2021, Council resolved to give public notice of its intention to adopt the draft 2021-2025 Council Plan (Incorporating Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan) at a meeting of Council to be held on 28 June 2021.

Prior to adopting the Council Plan (Incorporating Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan) in its final form, Council placed the Council Plan (Incorporating Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan) priorities document on public display inviting submissions by Monday, 10 May 2021 with any person requesting to be heard in support of their written submission to be heard by Council's Hearing of Submissions Committee at 6.00pm on 19 May 2021. Due to the high volume of submissions and the detail contained in the priorities document, the submission process was extended until 17 May 2021.

The submissions have been themed in the following way:

- Parking Permits and Review of the Parking Policy
- Aged Care & Home Care Packages
- Road Safety
- Multiculturalism and Diversity
- Health and Wellbeing
- Major Sport and Recreation Facilities
- Waste Management
- Environment

Following the Hearing of Submissions Committee meeting, a report in relation to all submissions received will be submitted for consideration at the meeting of the Council scheduled for 28 June 2021.

The following persons addressed the Committee in support of their submissions:

- Mr. Robin Vote
- Mr. Peter Gonis
- Ms. Katia Rotar
- Ms. Ruth Jelley (read by Ms. Lumia Rotar)
- Ms. Lumina Rotar
- Ms. Angie Davidson
- Mr. Nalliah Suriyakumaran
- Ms. Audrey Grace
- Mr. David Taylor
- Mr. Geoffrey Richards
- Ms. Karen Large
- Mr. Keith Coffey
- Dr Nadine Richings

Officer Recommendation**That Council:**

- (1) Receives and notes the written and verbal submissions.
- (2) Thanks all submitters and presenters for addressing the Committee in support of their written responses.
- (3) Refers all submissions for further consideration to the Council meeting to be held on 28 June 2021 as part of Council's deliberations in the adoption of the 2021-2025 Council Plan (Incorporating Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan).

Committee Decision

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy
SECONDED: Cr. J Williams

That Council:

- (1) Receives and notes the written and verbal submissions.
- (2) Thanks all submitters and presenters for addressing the Committee in support of their written responses.
- (3) Refers all submissions for further consideration to the Council meeting to be held on 28 June 2021 as part of Council's deliberations in the adoption of the 2021-2025 Council Plan (Incorporating Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.2**DRAFT BUDGET 2021-22**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At its meeting on 8 April 2021, Council resolved to give notice of its intention to adopt the draft Budget 2021-22 at a meeting of Council to be held on 28 June 2021.

Prior to adopting the Budget in its final form, Council placed the Draft Budget on public display inviting submissions by Monday, 10 May 2021 with any person requesting to be heard in support of their written submission to be heard by Council's Hearing of Submissions Committee at 6.00pm on 19 May 2021.

The community submissions in total are requesting an estimated \$15.91 million (\$15.44 million for capital works projects and \$468,000 for operating projects).

The submissions have been themed in the following way:

- Recreation & Reserves
- Equity & Wellbeing
- Traffic Management
- Active Transport
- Environmental Issues
- Public Places
- General Matters
- Additional Funding, Grants and Addressing Disadvantage

Following the Hearing of Submissions Committee meeting, a report in relation to all submissions received will be submitted for consideration at the meeting of the Council scheduled for 28 June 2021.

The following persons addressed the Committee in support of their submissions:

- David Taylor
- David Brien
- Giordano Nanni
- Lucy Cahill
- Ben Biro and Leon Leonidas
- Matthew Tempone
- Evie Potter
- Ruby Mountford
- Chris Lombardo
- Robyn Edwards
- Serena O'Meley
- Christina DiPierdomenico
- Theo Tsouras
- David Taylor

Officer Recommendation

- (1) **That** Council Receives and notes the written and verbal submissions.
- (2) Thanks all submitters and presenters for addressing the Committee in support of their written responses.
- (3) Refers all submissions for further consideration to the Council meeting to be held on 28 June 2021 as part of Council's deliberations in the adoption of the Budget 2021-22.

Committee Decision

MOVED: Cr. S Rennie
SECONDED: Cr. G Greco

- (1) **That** Council Receives and notes the written and verbal submissions.
- (2) Thanks all submitters and presenters for addressing the Committee in support of their written responses.
- (3) Refers all submissions for further consideration to the Council meeting to be held on 28 June 2021 as part of Council's deliberations in the adoption of the Budget 2021-22.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 7.23pm.